



# Knightly News

DECEMBER 2018

**December 11, 2018**

Holiday Concert at  
5:15pm

**December 14, 2018**

Pizza Lunch

**December 19, 2018**

FREE Pizza Lunch

Kindergarten Holiday  
Concert and Open  
House starting at  
2:30pm

**December 22nd—  
January 6th**

Winter Holiday's

**January 7, 2019**

School Starts Back

**January 8, 2019**

Home and School Meet-  
ing at 6:00pm

**January 11, 2019**

Pizza Lunch

## A Time To Share

December is a time for sharing by giving to those in need, sharing our creativity and talents with others, and sharing our love with family and friends.

I was so proud to see our Knights share their talents at the London Knights Game at the end of November. Our Grade 4-8 choir sang their hearts out and shared their talent as they sang "the most beautiful version of Oh Canada", as commented by one of the workers at Budweiser Gardens.

Our Gr. 4-8 choir, band, and other classes will be performing at our Winter

Concert on December 11, 2018, starting at 5:15pm in our gym. Please make sure you send back the ticket form and read the concert etiquette on the back of the form. We want each and every performance to be a positive and enjoyable experience for everyone!

Our Student Council is sponsoring several events throughout December. Many of these events give our students an opportunity to share canned goods with those in need. Please help Knollwood share with those in need this holiday season.

Our Knights are working hard to share their knowledge in Math. Our school goal is; to deepen our understanding of number relationships. Our staff and students are digging deeply into the CRA process (Concrete—Representational-Abstract). This means we are working on learning new math concepts by showing our thinking with math tools, representing our thinking through models, and using numbers to show our thinking in an abstract way.

Starting January 2019, our newsletter will only be posted online. Please visit our website; <https://knollwoodpark.tvdsb.ca> to subscribe and catch up on the Knollwood news!

## Sharing to Support



Our Knights community has been working hard to collect Pop Tab's for one of our students needing a wheel chair.

Over the Holiday's, collect pop tab's and bring them into the school.

**Can we fill four large water jugs in January?**

**The challenge is on!**

Let's work together to help one of our Knights!

# Student Council Events—December 2018



## Knollwood Food Drive

Our Knights will be collecting canned goods to donate to the Food Bank, starting December 3rd-December 20th. The class that brings in the most donations will win a pizza party!

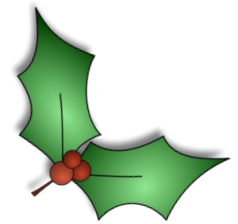


## Candy Cane Grams

Candy Cane Grams will be sold from December 3rd to December 14th for 25 cents each.

Proceeds will go towards equipment for our school!

Candy Grams will be delivered to students during the last week of school.



## Holiday Door Decorating

Each classroom is invited to decorate their classroom door in time for judging on Wednesday December 19th. The winning classroom will win the Spirit Trophy!

## Holiday Activities and Dance

### Thursday December 21st

**Grade 1—5**—Holiday activities and games in the gym during second block

**Grade 6 –8**—Holiday Dance from 2:15 -3:00pm



All classes will be invited to make hand-made cards bringing holiday wishes to seniors in our community.

# Guidance Support for Grade 8 Students

TVDSB is excited to announce a new support for Grade Eight students as they transition to secondary schools.

Research indicates that cross panel collaboration around transitions can increase graduation rates by sixteen percent.

The Thames Valley DSB Board of Trustees approved allocation of new staff at the Board meeting on April 24, 2018. This allocation was to ensure that every TVDSB Elementary School was to have at least one Guidance Lead Teacher to help Grade Eight students make a successful transitions to their secondary school. This targeted investment in senior elementary students will support teachers to:

- \* prepare students for their academic transition to high school,
- \* engage students in experiential learning that provides exposure to role models and positive examples of a diversity of careers
- \* encourage high expectations for all students and facilitate exploration of all pathways options.

In order to support students' transitions, Elementary Guidance Lead Teachers will create a Student Learning Individual Profile (SLIP) for each grade eight student informed by the student's: academic data, myBlueprint Info, Student Reflections on Experiential Learning, and input from the student's teachers.

As in the past, students will continue to use myBlueprint to complete their Individual Pathways Plan, and to submit courses for TVDSB secondary school registration. Individual Education Plans created in elementary schools will transition electronically to the TVDSB secondary school in which your child registers.

We love having parents/guardians as partners so please ask your child about conversations they have had about transition planning. Should you have any questions about the support we are providing, please contact your child's Elementary Guidance Lead, or Administration.

## Home and School and Parent Council



The Home and School and Parent Council meet once a month at the school to talk about how to support all of our students and the school community.

**Our upcoming meeting is Tuesday January 8th, 2019 at 6:00pm in the Knollwood Learning Commons.**

# Everyone is welcome!



Students will be selling Gift Certificates for Cinnabon  
\$12.00 for 9 rolls—a \$15.99 value

Knollwood receives \$3.00 per certificate sold!

Forms and money are due back on

December 14th, 2018

Cinnabon Gift Certificates will be sold at the Winter  
Concert

# Home Connections In Mathematics

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### Holiday Math: Everyday Math

Involving your child in using numbers to solve problems is an easy and simple way to improve their number sense.

- "If each person gets two cookies and we have 14 people coming, How many cookies do we need to bake?"
- "If we need  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a cup of sugar for one serving of our recipe. If we are doubling this recipe, how much sugar will we need?"
- "One store is selling a Christmas tree for \$20.00 with 20% off. Another store is selling Christmas trees for \$15.00. Which tree is cheaper?"

Write an addition and or multiplication sentence that describes the total number of chocolates in the picture below:

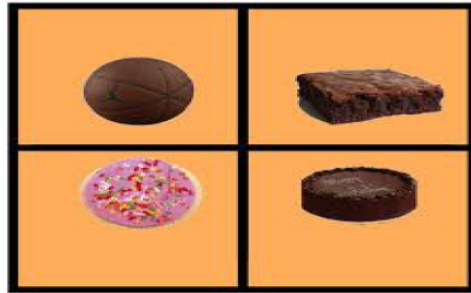


What is the pattern rule for the 3rd row?



### Which One Doesn't Belong?

Mathematical reasoning involves classifying objects and justifying that classification. Children can be asked which item in a set does not belong. There are no right or wrong answers as long as your child is able to justify their choice.



Mathematical justification might include references to shape and size, types of angles, number vertices, faces, etc.

### Decoration Symmetry/Art

Making decorations, such as snowflakes, from folding and cutting paper and investigating symmetry is easy, enjoyable and promotes spatial reasoning in your child.

### Playing Games

Spending quality time with your family playing board games and card games is a great way to improve math skills. Games help children to use their logical and reasoning skills, boost critical thinking and gain spatial reasoning. Playing games with others also helps children to build social and communication skills.

Here is a list of games you could try:

- Monopoly
- Snakes and Ladders
- Sorry
- Yahtzee
- Go Fish
- Memory
- UNO
- Chess/Checkers
- Phase 10
- Scrabble

# KERNELS™

EXTRAORDINARY  
POPCORN



Dear Families,

The Kindergarten classes will be selling Kernels popcorn to support their program. The money raised will be used for items such as holiday craft supplies, interest based activities, clothing (e.g. socks and extra mittens), baking items, photo printing, seasonal outdoor play items (e.g. rakes, shovels and sleds).

Popcorn will be on sale during the 2nd Nutrition break on Wednesdays in the front foyer.

You can purchase popcorn online through the Parent Portal. The kindergarten teachers will keep track of how many bags you have redeemed with a limit of one bag per child each week. Or you can simply bring \$2.00 on Wednesdays.

Thank you for you support.



## Lester B. Pearson School for the **ARTS**

**Acceptance to the  
program is based on the  
results of a group workshop  
experience** which is held in  
late **March** or early **April**.

See the website for more information [www.tvdsb.ca/pearson](http://www.tvdsb.ca/pearson)

# School Website and Twitter

**Knollwood has a new school website!**

Please visit our new website at;

**<http://knollwoodpark.tvdsb.ca>**



And follow us on Twitter;

**@KnollwoodPark1**



## How to Access the Parent Portal

Enter the following address in your web browser:

<https://www.tvdsb.ca>

Hover over “Parents” and a drop down menu will appear

Click “Parent Portal”

Video Instructions on how to create and log in to your account are available on the login page.

### Contact Us:



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