



Knightly News

UPCOMING DATES:

September 4, 2018

First Day of School

September 11, 2018

Home and School Meeting at 6:00pm

September 21, 2018

Pizza Lunch

September 26, 2018

Picture Day

September 27, 2018

Meet The Teacher Night

September 28, 2018

PD Day

October 5, 2018

Pizza Lunch

October 8, 2018

Thanksgiving (Holiday)

October 9, 2018

Home and School Meeting at 6:00pm

Welcome Back Knollwood Knights!

Welcome back to school Knollwood Knights! We are excited about starting another amazing school year of learning and growing at Knollwood Park P.S.

Everyone has worked hard to prepare for the year ahead. A very BIG thank you to our custodial team, Ms. Edwards, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Hussein. They have worked tirelessly to clean our school and have it ready for our return.

Thank you to Ms. McLean, our administrative assistant, for ensuring we are

organized, and have all of our families registered. If you have any questions, please come to the main office and we will be happy to help!

Our teachers have been working throughout the Summer months planning and preparing for the school year. Math will continue to be our focus. There will be information about our School Improvement goals in the monthly newsletter.

I am very excited to join the Knollwood Knights Team as your Principal! Ms. Floris and I are

looking forward to working with you throughout the school year.

Please check out our new school website at <http://knollwoodpark.tvdsb.ca> You will find all school information on this site, including our monthly newsletters. Parents can subscribe to the website and receive updates and notifications as new information is posted. You will have an opportunity to subscribe and receive further information at our Meet The Teacher Night on September 27, 2018.

Bikes and Scooters

Students riding bikes and scooters to school must have a way to lock them up in a safe location **OUTSIDE** of the school building.

There will be NO scooters or bikes stored inside the school building at any time.

Students and parents have access to bike racks at the front of the school and by the South side of the building.

Student Attendance

It is important that we ensure your child(ren) attends school on a regular basis and to make sure they are on time. Regular attendance and punctuality improves student performance and enjoyment of school.

If your child(ren) will be absent from school, please use the School Messenger Safe Arrival Reporting App to report their absence, or call the toll free number;

1-844-305-3756

Automated calls will begin going out at approximately 9:15am to all students who have been reported absent by their classroom teacher.

Parking

We ask that everyone keep the circle driveway in front of the school clear. Please use the parking spaces in our parking lots North and South of the school for pick up and drop off.

When parking in the parking lot, only use the spaces available. If there are no parking spaces left, there is plenty of parking on the side streets around the school. Please be courteous of our neighbours and do not block driveways.

Please do not park in the spaces labelled "Bus Zone". We need to keep this area safe for our students who are dropped off and picked up daily by our bus drivers.



Important Forms

Many of the typical September Start Up forms will be found online this year through the Parent Portal. Please make sure you have signed in to check what forms need to be completed.

Important Online Forms accessible in the Parent Portal include:

Student Information Sheet
 Student GOTVDSB activation
 Individual Plan of Care

Forms to look for in your child's backpack include:

School Year Calendar
 Consent to go home for Lunch
 Student Planner



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.

Supporting Students with Prevalent Medical/Health Conditions In Schools



To ensure children with **potentially life-threatening medical conditions** remain safe while attending school, TVDSB requests Parents/Guardians update the necessary medical information on the Parent Portal so that an Individual Plan of Care (IPOC) for the student can be reviewed by the school's administration. Medical conditions considered potentially life-threatening may include; Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Epilepsy, Type 1 Diabetes, and any other potentially life-threatening condition that could result in a medical incident (discuss with your school administrator).

Parents/Guardians can provide important information about their child's life-threatening or prevalent medical condition by logging into the TVDSB Parent Portal and clicking on the following tab: Student Medical Information. Once an Individual Plan of Care is submitted, the school administrator will then review the information. Parents/Guardians may be contacted for further information, if required.

Parents/Guardians who cannot access the Parent Portal on the Internet should contact the school office. Please note that Parents/Guardians are expected to be active participants in supporting the management of the student's prevalent medical conditions(s) while the student is in school. **It is the responsibility of Parents/Guardians to inform the school of such conditions to ensure the students' safety at school.**



A Note from our School Support Counsellor

Hello to all Knollwood Park Families!

I'm so happy to be back again this year, and I look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting our new students and staff. Here's to getting to know each other!

As you may know, my role as School Support Counsellor is to work with students, families, and the school team to help students achieve social, emotional and academic success. A good working relationship between family and school really goes a long way in this regard. We hope you will always feel free to ask questions about your child's school life, offer suggestions or share concerns with the school staff, including myself. We're here to help!

If you would like to contact me directly, I plan to be at Knollwood on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and alternate Fridays. To reach me, please call & leave a message at 519-452-2000 ext. 33688 or ask for me at the main office!

Looking forward to a great year,

Janet Costello, BSW

School Support Counsellor



**Help your child prepare for school...
Come to Play and Learn Together!
No Pre-Registration, Drop-in Format,
Snacks Provided.**

**Knollwood Park Public School
Monday to Friday 9:00—1:00
Free for families and caregivers!**

Dental Screening



The Oral Health Team at the London– Middlesex Health Unit offers no-cost dental screening to students in TVDSB schools. To give consent for this service please check “YES” on the Parent/Guardian Consent form in the Parent Portal.



A reminder that we are a Nut Free Environment at Knollwood Park Public School. We do have students in our school who have severe peanut/nut allergies. Given that all students use our Learning Commons, gym equipment, and library, we are asking families in our school community to be diligent in choosing lunches and snacks which are completely nut free. Even those

which “may contain traces of nuts” can cause a serious and life-threatening physical reaction.

Individual Medical Emergency Plans are available from the main office. If your child has an allergy, please come see us in the main office.

Smoking Guidelines

Students, staff, parents and visitors are prohibited from smoking or vaping on school board property and within

20 metres from any point of the perimeter of any school board property. This also includes children’s playgrounds and publicly owned sports fields.

If you have any questions, please contact the main office.

Home and School

Are you interested in being involved in school events and activities? Would you like to help out with Pizza Lunches and Fundraising initiatives to support Knollwood?

The Home and School and Parent Council meet once a month at the school to talk about current activities and fundraising opportunities.

The first meeting is **Tuesday September 11th at 6:00pm** in the School Learning Commons.

Everyone is welcome!



School Website and Newsletters



Knollwood has a new school website!

Please visit our new website at;
<http://knollwoodpark.tvdsb.ca>

All school information will be posted on our new website including: Up-coming Events, School Calendar, BIPSA, Safe Schools, School Dress Code, and Monthly Newsletters.

Want to Know How to Subscribe to our New Website?

Come see us on September 27th, 2018 at our Meet the Teacher Night in the front foyer to subscribe to our new website.

Online Newsletter

The Knightly News will be posted on our new website (<http://knollwoodpark.tvdsb.ca>) each month. To conserve paper, we will be only posting the Newsletter online. If you would prefer a paper copy of the monthly newsletter, please complete the form below, cut on the dotted lines, and return it to your child's teacher. We will send home a paper copy with your child when it is complete each month.

I would like a Paper Copy of the Newsletter.

Child's Name: _____

Classroom Teacher: _____

****Please cut off the bottom section of this page and return to your child's teacher. We will send a paper copy of the Monthly Newsletter home with your child when it is complete.**