

The Lion's Roar

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MAY 2015

Dear King's Highway Families,

It is hard to believe that May is upon us. During this time of the year, even though we have approximately six weeks of school left, parents start to wonder about their child's placement for next year. At King's Highway we take a lot of pride in making sure that students are placed in an environment that meets their needs. We are fortunate to have a great teaching staff which truly cares for the emotional, social, and educational well-being of all our students. The process for placing students for the following school year is on-going, with many variables taken into consideration. Our goal is to make sure that each student has a positive educational experience, and all members of our staff work collaboratively to achieve this goal.

On April 9th our Reading Olympic Team, competed at the Center for Arts and Technology, Pickering Campus in the Reading Olympics Competition sponsored by the Chester County Intermediate Unit. King's Highway was represented in grand fashion, and congratulations go out to all of the team members, and also to Mrs. DiSands, Mrs. Pacana, and all of the staff members who helped prepare our students for this County-wide academic event. As we begin the month of May I would like to remind parents of some of the special events that we have planned. Our Spring Instrumental Concert will be held on May 11th in the Gymnasium starting at 7:00 pm, and our Choral Concert will be taking place on May 13th also starting at 7:00. pm Students will also be participating in Field Day on May 21, with a rain date of May 29th. For these events we ask our students to dress appropriately, and encourage all parents to come out and support their children.

May brings warm weather, and the thoughts of summer vacation. I would like to stress the importance of each student continuing to do their best in class every single day. It is also important for students to attend school daily. As was previously mentioned, we have approximately six weeks of school left, and every teacher has many interesting and enriching activities planned throughout the next few weeks that we want your child to participate in. Please also reference the Parent Handbook (pages 16 and 17) that was passed out at the beginning of the year to review the uniform and dress code we are expecting our students to follow. In particular, it is important for students to remember that shoes without heel support such as clogs, flip-flops, etc. are prohibited, as are short shorts, bicycle shorts, and shirts that show the midriff. We need your help in making sure every child comes to school dressed in accordance with our uniform policy, and appropriately for their safety.

Thank you for all of your continued support, and I look forward to seeing you at the many events scheduled throughout the month.

Stevan Lefever

Principal



- 01— JDRF Assembly
(Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation)
- 04—Anti-Bullying/BMX Bike Assembly
(K-2 1:30-2:15pm)/(3-5 2:25-3:10pm) (Raindate 5/12)
- 05—Teacher Appreciation Day
—Scholastic Book Fair(9:45 am—1:30 pm)
- 06—Scholastic Book Fair(9:45 am—1:30 pm)
- 07—Muffins With Mom A-L 8-8:45am
—5th Gr.VA Visit—Peter/Ritchie
— Boy Scout Registration Night 7-8pm
- 08— Muffins with Mom M-Z 8-8:45 am
—1:30-3:00pm Concert Dress Rehearsal
- 11—School Store - Grade 1
— Instrumental Music Concert
9:45 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 p.m.
- 13—Chorus Concert 9:45 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00pm
—Market Day Pick Up 4:45-5:45 pm
- 14—Instrument Recruitment Assembly 9:30am
— 5th Gr. VA—Crunkleton/Henry
— Market Day Pick-up 4:30-5:30pm
- 15—1st Grade Field Trip—North Museum
—PSSA Celebration 1:30-3:00pm
—Designer Bag Bingo —Wagontown Fire Hall
- 18—School Store—Kindergarten
—JDRF Walk-A-Thon
- 19—Primary Election Day
- 20—Segal Puppets Dental Assembly (K-2)
—5th Grade—Owl Pellets Classroom Assembly
- 21—Field Day (raindate 5/29)
- 22— NO School For Students
- 25—Memorial Day/No School for Staff/Students
- 26—4th Grade Field Trip—Constitution Center
- 27— STAR Recognition Assembly
— PTO Mtg. 7:00pm Library
- 28—Daryll Cobb Author Visit
- 29 —Lion's Pride Dress Down Day
—(rain date for field day if needed)

Girls on the Run

May 5,7,12,14,19,21,26,28

Science Explorers

May 4, 18/June 1

School Board Mtg—9/10 Ctr
Committee Meeting—May 12, 6pm
Board Meeting—May 26, 7pm



**MAY 5-9 – CELEBRATE
NATIONAL TEACHER**

GOOD CITIZENS FOR APRIL

Congratulations to the following students who have been chosen as good citizen for the month of April at KHS!

KINDERGARTEN

Samantha Keeshan

Kayla Poland

Francesca Wherley

Hannah Quinn

Landon Regenski

FIRST GRADE

Maria Juarez-Mendoza

Cale Richards

Ava Fowlkes

Joriam Burgos

SECOND GRADE

Luke Kovach

Ryan Regenski

Robbie Moses

Alaina Stenson

Brogan Coover

Third Grade

German Ochoa

Taylor gasbarro

Shania Wangui

Joseph Kling



FOURTH GRADE

Julia Miller

Isaiah Brightman

Leslie Jurado-Hernandez

FIFTH GRADE

Daniel LaRue

Victoria Hall

Steven Miller

Sydney Miller

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS for 2015-16



The administration and staff at KHS are beginning the planning process for the 2015-16 school year. A first step in that process is to review enrollment projections. Please contact the school office at 610-383-3775 or send us a note if your K-4th grade child will not be attending the KHS School next year. Likewise, if you know of a family with elementary age children who will be attending our school in the fall, encourage them to call our school office. Thank you for your cooperation.



FIELD DAY

**FIELD DAY MAY 21TH
RAIN DATE MAY 29TH**

This year during field day there will be some water activities for the children such as: sponge relays, sponge toss, and the favorite car wash. Students can wear regular clothes instead of their uniform and may want to bring an extra change of clothing i.e. shirt, but a bathing suit is not necessary or allowed. If the weather does not cooperate and we have a cloudy day, these activities will still be available to the classes, which is why a new shirt and shorts might be a great option so they are not in wet clothing the rest of the day.

Parents are invited to attend from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. but remember school-aged students from other buildings are not permitted to attend the King's Highway field day.

***PLEASE NOTE: Due to limited seating, cafeteria tables are for STUDENTS ONLY during lunch time. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.**



Ronald McDonald House Thanks KHS Families

And a special thank you to Britney Gonzalez and Brendon Slider for their very large donations to the program!

LIFETOUCH PICTURES

Attention Parents: Lifetouch National School Studios were here last month to take pictures of every student. The portrait packets were delivered to the students recently. Parents need to either

- (1) return the portrait packets if you do not wish to purchase them, or
- (2) send the money in with your student to purchase all or part of the packet. **These portraits are not free and need to be paid for if you wish to keep them.** Please send picture packets or payment to the school as soon as possible. Lifetouch will be here to pick up pictures and money on **May 8th.**

SPOTLIGHT ON STAFF



It with welcoming hands and hearts that King's Highway Elementary would like to introduce Mrs. Charlotte Bridges to our staff. Mrs. Bridges is the new ESL teacher in the building.

Originally from Sweden, Mrs. Bridges moved to the United States at the age of 25 years old. However, before she came to the United States, she also lived and worked in Jerusalem, Israel for five years on and off. She mentions that in all of the places that she has traveled, Jerusalem may be the place that she misses the most when it comes to food and culture, outside of Sweden of course. Mrs. Bridges currently resides in Parkesburg with her husband and two daughters, who are in 3rd and 8th grade.

In previous years she was a volunteer in the Migrant Education Program. Mrs. Bridges teaches first and second grade ESL on the weekends and will also be doing so during the summer for the CCIU Migrant Education Program. She also volunteer teaches one day per week at an after school program in the City of Coatesville.

When Mrs. Bridges has spare time, she enjoys days trips to the beach. She also has a love for gardening, cooking and visiting local state or county parks.

Mrs. Bridges says "she does not give up easily". We are very lucky to have her at King's Highway!

KINDERGARTEN PROMOTION CEREMONY

THIS WILL BE TAKING PLACE ON
TUESDAY JUNE 9, 2015 AT 2:30 PM.
MORE INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED
CLOSER TO THE DATE OF THE EVENT.



FIFTH GRADE ORIENTATION

On **Thursday April 30th**, fifth grade students traveled to their respective Middle Schools for orientation meetings. The students had an opportunity to meet the principal and other personnel, learn about the middle school program, and tour the school. This visit does much to allay many of the middle school "jitters" for our students.



FIFTH GRADE PROMOTION PROGRAM

Our awards and promotion program for fifth grade students will be held on **Wednesday June 10th at 1:30PM** in the KHS auditorium. Parents and friends are cordially invited to join us in celebrating this memorable occasion, however, students from other grade levels or CASD school will not be permitted to attend.

****Due to the lunch and recess schedule, please do not arrive before 1:15 p.m. Thank you.**

.....MAY MUSIC NEWS.....



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC CONCERT

**** The 4th and 5th grade band and string students will be having their concert on Monday, May 11th at 9:45 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

- ⇒ The students need to arrive by 6:30pm for the evening concert so that they can get tuned but should not be dropped off before that, as there is no one to watch them. If you do arrive early to get a good seat, please keep your children with you until 6:30p.m. Students should dress nicely and wear bright spring colors. No jeans, t-shirts, tank tops, sweats or flip-flops. Thanks for your cooperation.
- ⇒ Please make sure that whatever ensemble your child is a part of, strings, chorus or band, that the concert takes top priority in their schedule. There are many sporting events that take place at this time of year, and there are bound to be conflicts. There will be many ballgames in a season, but our concerts only happen twice a year! Thanks for making it a priority!
- ⇒ ***In addition, just a reminder that instrumental lessons will continue after the concert for the remainder of the school year..***



CHORUS CONCERT



We are fast approaching the end of the school year, and with that comes some exciting activities. **On Wednesday May 13th we will be having our 4th and 5th grade chorus concert at 9:45 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

We look forward to seeing you at the both of the concerts!!



Mrs. Diehl will be holding an instrument recruitment assembly on Thursday May 14, for all 3rd and 4th grade students.

Congratulations to the King's Highway Roaring Readers!

On Thursday April 9, 2015 the following students participated in the Reading Olympics Competition held at the Technical College High School, Phoenixville Campus.

ASA ERNEST

MICHAEL POPPLEWELL

DANIEL LARUE

BROOKLYN SLOAD

FAITH SLOAD

DARBY BICKING

ANNA OEHRLEIN

FELICIA BOOKMAN

KHALIYAH HAMPTON



dreamstime.com

The student's worked together over the last few months reading diligently and were able to earn a second place red ribbon in this years' competition.

Congratulations on a job well done!





THE KING'S HIGHWAY
COLOR RUN RETURNS
TO LAYTON PARK!!!



SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE
SOON!!



FROM THE CAFETERIA...



PRETZELS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR \$0.60 ON TUESDAY
REMEMBER YOUR ACCOUNT MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING TO BE ABLE TO PUR-
CHASE A PRETZEL!

IN ADDITION...

***AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING END OF THE YEAR LUNCH
CHARGES***

All lunch charges must be paid in full prior to the last stu-
dent day, Wednesday June 10, 2015. *Because of this*, students
will not be permitted to carry a negative balance after May 27th.
Please make sure your child has money in their lunch account or
a packed lunch daily.

~THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION~



GARDEN PLANTS NEEDED!

If anyone has some extra vegetable or flower plants that you would like to donate for the KHS garden, we would greatly appreciate your contribution. Please send any flower, tomato, pepper, herbs, etc., to school with your child. There will be a box located in the front lobby for the plants.

Thank you so much for supporting our garden! The crops we grow are taken to city gate in Coatesville to help the men that live there.

Mrs. Leypoldt



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Last Fall, ***Meredith D'Ambrosio***, (First Grade, Mrs. Wallace's class), was one of a handful of girls from Eastern PA chosen to participate in a photo shoot for Girl Scouts. She is currently being featured in billboard ads for #GirlPop2015, an upcoming conference hosted by the Girls Scouts of Eastern PA.

There are numerous Girl Scout Troops operating out of King's Highway.

For more information visit
<http://coatesvillegirlscouts.com>.



Are you ready to roar for a cure?

Each day, 40 children are diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes in the United States alone. That's the equivalent of an entire classroom full of students *each and every day!*

King's Highway Elementary is proud to participate in our third annual . . .

JDRF's Kids Walk to Cure Diabetes

Our students will be learning about Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetes and the importance of a healthy lifestyle in an assembly on May 1st. At the same time, they will learn what it means to make a difference by raising money for Type 1 Diabetes research! We will enjoy a healthy, brisk walk and celebrate our success on May 18th during our kids walk! Together we can walk to find a cure for Type 1 Diabetes! Kids helping kids! The students will receive more information at our assembly.



DESIGNER BAG BINGO

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FRIDAY, MAY 15

\$25 PER PLAYER (\$30 AT THE DOOR)

ONLY 300 SPACES ARE AVAILABLE – RESERVE YOUR SPACE TODAY!!!

DESIGNER BAG BINGO, 841 WEST KING'S HIGHWAY, COATESVILLE PA,
19320

EMAIL ADDRESS:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

FOR QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL: KHS_DESIGNERBAGBINGO@YAHOO.COM

COME OUT TO SUPPORT YOUR KHS STUDENT ON FIELD
DAY

THURSDAY, MAY 21

(RAIN DATE IS FRIDAY, MAY 29)

FIELD DAY MENU

HOT DOG	\$1.50
SOFT PRETZEL	\$1.00
CHIPS/POP-CORN	50¢
SUNFLOWER SEED	75¢
SLIM JIMS	75¢
MINI MUFFINS	50¢
BOTTLED WATER	\$1.00
GATORADE	\$1.50



THE RITA'S WATER ICE MOBILE WILL BE AT KHS DURING FIELD DAY. THE COST OF RITA'S WATER ICE DEPENDING ON SIZE IS BETWEEN \$2 - \$5.

***EACH STUDENT WILL BE OFFERED A SOFT PRETZEL AND BOTTLE WATER COMPLIMENTS OF KHS PTO.**

AS A REMINDER, STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PURCHASE SNACKS/ RITA'S UNTIL AFTER LUNCH.

TO: ALL PARENTS OF 2ND GRADERS
RE: STATE MANDATED 3RD GRADE DENTAL EXAMINATIONS
DATE: APRIL 24, 2015
FROM: NURSE

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW AND SCHOOL
DISTRICT POLICY #209 ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO
HAVE A DENTAL EXAMINATION IN 3RD GRADE.**

ATTACHED IS A REPORT OF PRIVATE DENTAL EXAMINATION FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE. PLEASE TAKE IT WITH YOU WHEN YOUR CHILD HAS THEIR NEXT DENTAL EXAMINATION OR YOU CAN HAVE IT COMPLETED FROM THE RECORDS OF THEIR MOST RECENT EXAM PROVIDING IT WAS **ON OR AFTER SEPTEMBER 2014. THE COMPLETED FORM CAN BE MAILED, DROPPED OFF, SENT IN WITH YOUR CHILD OR FAXED TO US BY YOUR DENTIST.**

DENTAL EXAMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE OFFERED FOR FREE IN SCHOOL WITH WRITTEN PARENT PERMISSION DURING THE 3RD GRADE YEAR AT A TIME YET TO BE DETERMINED. PERMISSION FORMS WILL BE SENT HOME TO THE PARENTS OF ALL STUDENTS STILL IN NEED OF A DENTAL EXAMINATION ONCE THE DENTIST DETERMINES THE DATE HE WILL COME TO SCHOOL.

ANY 3RD GRADE STUDENT WHO DOES NOT HAVE A DENTAL EXAMINATION ON FILE BY THE END OF THE 2015/2016 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM SCHOOL AND WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO RETURN TO BEGIN 4TH GRADE WITHOUT PROOF OF THIS STATE MANDATED EXAMINATION.

KING'S HIGHWAY FAX NUMBER 610-383-5627