

Nottingham Knightly News

October 15, 2019

Parent-teacher conferences are coming! Be sure to sign up at nottingham.apsva.us/conferencesignup. Sign-ups open **Wednesday, Oct 9 at 12:00PM** and close on **Wednesday, Oct 16 at 12:00PM**.

Kudos and Appreciation

Today was Picture Day! Thank you, **Laurie Sinton**, for setting it up and to our parent volunteers for running such a smooth day.

From the Principal

Check out the [PTA Newsletter](#).

This week we will have our **Earthquake Drill** and students will be reminded to “drop, cover and hold on” to stay safe during this unlikely weather emergency. We will also have one **fire drill** before the end of the month.

Halloween Parade: Boo! Families... please join us for our Annual Halloween Parade. At **2:15 on 10/31** we will process down 31st St N and 30th Street N. We will be leaving out of door 10, walking up the drive, crossing the street, and walking the loop of 30th/31st St N. We will be returning to school and going to the playground blacktop where students will perform short dances. Please feel free to hang around and watch the fun!

Class parties and celebrations will be held either before or after the parade. Your room parents will put out more information soon.

Eileen

Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Important Dates

15 October, Tuesday Parent Session on Standards Based Grading, 7:00 PM (Syphax Center)

16 October, Wednesday Early Release, **1:26 PM**

23 October, Wednesday Unity Day/ Mix It Up Lunch

24 October, Thursday Early Release, **1:26PM**
Parent Teacher Conferences

25 October, Friday Parent Teacher Conferences

30 October, Wednesday SCA Spirit Day (wear Halloween colors- black, orange, purple, green)

31 October, Thursday Halloween Parade and Classroom Celebrations, **2:15PM**

5 November, Tuesday Grade Prep Day- No School for Students

11 November, Monday Veteran's Day – No School for Students

12 November, Tuesday PTA Meeting, 7:00PM

2019-20 Early Release Dates: **October 16,** December 11, January 15, February 12, March 11, June 3, June 10. Students will be dismissed at **1:26PM**.

2019-20 Parent Teacher Conference Dates: October 24-25, March 5-6

Reminders

Reminder...In further support of October being **Bully Prevention month**, we will celebrate **Unity Day on Wednesday October 23**. A day to show how we are all united for kindness, acceptance and inclusion. Students and staff are encouraged to **wear orange** (e.g. a shirt, or something as small as an orange ribbon). We will also have fun with **Mix It Up At Lunch** that day. Students from the same grade level will be mixed across classes during lunch. Our staff will be joining the students to help facilitate having students learn new things about one another and hopefully forge new friendships.

Reminder... have you noticed our **"Be the I in Kind"** poster in the main lobby? Stop by and snap a picture and spread the news. Being kind is a great way to prevent bullying during **Bully Prevention Month**, and all year long!

Reminder...Our school counselors, **Mark Jones** and **Kelynn Bisbee** will be offering **counseling groups** of 6-8 weeks in length, periodically throughout the school year for kindergarten through fifth grades. The first groups will start in October and will take place during the school day and at a time coordinated with grade level teachers. If you would like your child to be in a counseling group, please complete the attached google form, which also has more information. The form is accessed only by Mr. Jones and Bisbee. <https://forms.gle/Cx3Dcjwq3uKGZnhk9>

Reminder...Family Bingo Night - November 1: Looking for some Friday night fun? Join us for **Bingo Night** on Friday, November 1 from **6:30 - 8:00PM** in the multi-purpose room. Bring small games, books, puzzles, toys, etc. to donate as prizes. Mark your calendars for future bingo nights on **Dec. 6** and **Feb. 21**.