Nottingham Knightly News

September 3, 2019

Important Dates

11 September, Wednesday	Back to School Night, 7:00PM
11 September, Wednesday	PTA Meeting, 8:05PM
24 September, Tuesday	Room Parent Orientation, 7:00PM
25 September, Wednesday	SCA Spirit Day
1 October, Tuesday	PTA Meeting, 7:00 PM
2 October, Wednesday	Bike and Walk to School Day
	ASPAN Walk-a-Thon
14 October, Monday	Professional Learning Day
15 October, Tuesday	Picture Day
16 October, Wednesday	Early Release, 1:26 PM

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

Kudos and Appreciation

We would like to thank our volunteers who have helped the PTA throughout the summer and during last week's teacher work week. Thank you to:

- Lisa Solinger and Lauren Rascoe for ordering and setting up the staff welcome back breakfast and lunch
- Everyone who helped with sorting and delivering school supply kits
- Andrea Kaplowitz for power washing the patio in the courtyard, weeding the flower beds, providing goldfish for our pond, and laying our new bricks.
- Dilma Reyes, Noe Corado, Ana Mendoza and Rolando Posada (our fabulous custodial crew), for all the boxes moved, furniture moved and built, and for getting our school sparkling clean
- Laurie Sinton, Mardi Moorman and Nora Ellison for the extra efforts in the office getting everyone set up for the school year.

From the Principal

We are so excited to have everyone back and to welcome our new students to Nottingham. It sounds like everyone had a great summer and students are eager to jump back in to routines at school!

In addition to the weekly newsletter, please check the PTA website, <u>www.nespta.org</u> and Nottingham's school website <u>https://nottingham.apsva.us/</u> to stay current with what is going on at school. You can also follow Eileen <u>@EGardnerAPS</u>, Megan <u>@MrsMeganLynch</u>, the school <u>@NTMKnightsAPS</u>, and the PTA <u>@NottinghamPTA</u> on Twitter to see what is happening at Nottingham.

Please go to <u>www.nespta.org</u> and update or create your PTA account with your child's class assignment. While you are there, you can join the PTA, pay the bulk supply fee, make a donation and/or let us know where you are interested in helping out.

Here are a few reminders and updates about arrival and dismissal....School begins at 9:00AM and students are welcome to arrive at about 8:40AM.

K and 1st grade students are dismissed to a parent (or designee), escorted to the bus or escorted to Extended Day.

2nd-5th graders are dismissed to the bus or through the doors around the building. Please make arrangements with your child(ren) for pick-up. **Safety** is of the upmost concern and children and families should obey and follow all posted signs, staff and crossing guards. If you are driving your child to school, please follow directions from Ms. Pugh, Mr. Giusto and the patrols for kiss and ride. Please make sure you are **parking legally** around the neighborhood if you plan to walk your child into or out of the building. Parking illegally around the school presents safety hazards and confusion. Thanks for your cooperation on this.

Back to School Night is Wednesday, September 11 at 7:00PM. This is the perfect opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher if you haven't already, and to learn about the great things happening at Nottingham. Please join us for the PTA Meeting at 8:05PM for some important information and to establish plans for the year.

VERY IMPORTANT...Please "Opt-In" and grant APS permission to share your student information with the PTA. If you want to be included in the student directory, please check "yes" in Part I on the 2019-20 Release of Student Information Form included in your child's APS first day packet, NOW ONLINE only.

Eileen