

Hello Kingswood Families!

What a great week it's been to be a Knight!

The first nine weeks of the school year have come and gone and this week you get to hear all about it during Parent Teacher Conferences. Hopefully by now you've already had the chance to schedule your virtual conference with your child's teacher(s). I know it can be tricky with the old grades when we have more than one teacher, but it's such a treat to hear how great they're doing and what they can improve on during the second quarter. We know this first nine weeks was not what any of us had wanted or hoped for and we know how hard many of our students worked. We still have lots of work to do and now that many of our learners are back in-person it's beginning to feel like we're moving in the right direction. Let's continue to work together and support one another through these challenging and extraordinary times. Thomas Edison said "There is no substitute for hard work." and know that our team here at Kingswood is dedicated to doing the hard work necessary to move your children forward. We're excited to roll up our sleeves and get to work.

A few friendly reminders for you include:

- **NEW:** Parent Drop-Off & Pick-Up - We appreciate your support in sending your children to school with the appropriate face coverings, but we need your help too. We have many families coming onto school grounds to drop off or pick up their children and we appreciate your support in wearing a face covering while on school grounds. As the adults, it's important to always be modeling best practices for safety around our little ones. It takes all of us working together to keep everyone safe. As a reminder, even though we don't open the doors until 7:55am, if you want to come early and wait, please do not park along the fire lane and wait. Please find a parking spot and either walk up or pull up after 7:55am. We also want to remind families, at pickup, there is no need to get out of your car to help your K-2 kiddo into the car, we have plenty of staff ready and able to support. Please review our [2020 - 2021 End of Day Parent Pick Up Procedures](#) document for our changed dismissal times and where to be at the end of the school day.
- Open Library - Every morning Monday through Friday starting at 7:15am our library is open to Kindergarten through 8th graders. There will be a variety of stations that focus on literacy, math, STEM activities, homework help and more. Students must remain at their station for the morning, but can choose a different station the next day. Library doors will close at 7:45am to allow for social distancing when dismissed to breakfast or class at 8:00am. If you have any questions, contact Jaime Payne at jaime.payne@dysart.org or Robin Miles at robin.miles@dysart.org.
- Curbside Lunch Service - Monday through Friday from 11:00 - 11:30pm.

- ***All children 18 and younger can receive free breakfast and lunch at any Dysart school;*** until December.
- Menus and nutritional information can be found at Dysart.Nutrislice.com.
- A la carte items and snacks will be available for purchase in the cafeteria. SchoolCafe.com can be used to monitor purchases and make deposits to meal accounts for these items.
- Face Coverings & Social Distancing - If you need to come to the office to complete enrollment or for any other business, please be aware we are practicing social distancing and are asking you to wear a mask.

We have so many great things happening every day here at Kingswood, the most current information is always on our website. We will continue to communicate through multiple methods, please be sure to always stay in contact with Kingswood through our [website](#), emails, [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) or these autodialer messages. #KingswoodStrong

Week of October 5th Events

Monday: October 5th

- **Scholastic VIRTUAL Book Fair** - Sept. 28th - Oct. 11th
 - Our Book Fair is online! Support our school and help your child discover new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more! You'll love the fun new option to shop for Book Fair exclusives directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy free shipping on book-only purchases over \$25. Orders will be shipped directly to your home.
 - It's a new school year... let's instill a new-found love of reading!
 - Use the link below to explore thousands of best-selling books, collections, new releases, educational toys, games, and more.
 - [Kingswood Elementary Virtual Book Fair](#)
- Curbside Meal Service @ 11:00 - 11:30pm - Front Curb
- Early Release Dismissal @ 1pm

Tuesday: October 6th

- Cross Country Orientation & Informational Meeting @ 7am
 - Practices will start Week of 10/13 @ 7am on Tuesdays & Thursdays
 - Any student in Grades 3 - 8 are welcome to join!
 - Informational Packets are in the Front Office.
 - Any questions, please contact Coach Isom(anna.isom@dysart.org) or Coach Nasenbeny(caroline.nasenbeny@dysart.org)
- Curbside Meal Service @ 11:00 - 11:30pm - Front Curb
- Volleyball Tryouts @ 3:15 - 4:30pm - Gym
 - Any 6th, 7th, or 8th grade girls interested in trying out for this year's volleyball team are welcome to come to tryouts!
 - Any questions, please contact Coach Brunk(jessica.brunk@dysart.org)

Wednesday: October 7th

- Fall Picture Day (In-Person Students)
- Curbside Meal Service @ 11:00 - 11:30pm - Front Curb
- Volleyball Tryouts @ 3:15 - 4:30pm - Gym

Thursday: October 8th

- Curbside Meal Service @ 11:00 - 11:30pm - Front Curb
- Early Release Dismissal(Parent-Teacher Conferences) @ 1pm

Friday: October 9th

- Knight's Code Weekly Draw @ 8:30am
- Curbside Meal Service @ 11:00 - 11:30pm - Front Curb
- Early Release Dismissal(Parent-Teacher Conferences) @ 1pm

Preview of Upcoming Events - Mark your calendars!

- Week of 10/12 - No School - Fall Break
- 10/22 - 1st Quarter Awards Night @ 5:30pm - TBD
- 10/27 - KGWES Monthly Site Council Meeting @ 3:30pm - Virtual
- 10/27 - KGWES PTSA Meeting @ 5:30pm - Virtual
- 10/28 - DUSD Governing Board Meeting @ 6pm - District Office Main Board Room
- 11/9 - Veteran's Day Celebration @ 5pm - Kingswood Amplitheater
- 11/11 - No School - Veteran's Day
- 11/13 - Kingswood Annual Spelling Bee @ 11:45am - www.facebook.com/KGWESKnights
- 11/18 - DUSD Governing Board Meeting @ 6pm - District Office Main Board Room
- 11/24 - KGWES Monthly Site Council Meeting @ 3:30pm - Virtual
- 11/24 - KGWES PTSA Meeting @ 5:30pm - Virtual
- 11/25 - No School - Thanksgiving Recess
- 11/26 - No School - Thanksgiving Recess
- 11/27 - No School - Thanksgiving Recess
- Week of 12/7 - PTSA Holiday Shoppe
- 12/9 - DUSD Governing Board Meeting @ 6pm - District Office Main Board Room
- 10/12 - Polar Express Night @ 5:30pm - More details to come!
- 12/18 - ½ Day of School 11:15am Dismissal - Winter Break Begins!

IT support for Parents, Students and Staff

- IT Support Hotline 623-876-7170
- IT support email ITSupport@dysart.org



PBIS Rewards App

- Kingswood is excited to be utilizing PBIS Rewards to support its PBIS initiative. PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Interventions and Support. PBIS Rewards is a digital platform that allows our staff members to recognize all students for meeting behavior expectations that have been defined and explicitly taught.
- As a parent, you can monitor your child's progress and stay engaged with the PBIS Parent Rewards App. First, download the PBIS Rewards app for free on Google Play, the App Store, or Amazon Apps. Then be on the lookout for an email with a QR code from the school. Finally, simply open the PBIS Rewards Parent App and scan this QR code. If you have multiple children at Kingswood, you will be able to add each one separately. Once your child is added to the PBIS Rewards Parent App, you will be able to see how many points they've earned, which teacher rewarded them, and how they are spending their points.
- Points earned can be used to purchase a variety of items and privileges from classroom and school stores. The app also has a convenient way to respond to messages sent by your child's teacher. PBIS Rewards is helping Kingswood create a positive climate in which every student can learn and grow academically, socially, and emotionally. The PBIS Rewards Parent App is a great tool for you to stay connected and engaged with the PBIS initiative. If you need more information contact Mrs. Washington at 623-876-7629.

Internet in your Home Options

Below are some opportunities to get access to the Internet in your home. Please take advantage of these opportunities if you need them.

- Cox Communications:
 - Cox Hotspot Network is open to the public. Please see this [link](#) for Hotspots in your area.
 - Cox is offering one free month to [Connect2Compete](#) (C2C) eligible students. C2C does not have a contract nor installation charge.
- CommCast:
 - [Commcas offering free internet](#) to those who qualify during Covid19 pandemic
- CenturyLink:
 - [CenturyLink](#) - Will waive late fees and will not terminate a residential or small business customer service for the next 60 days due to financial circumstances associated with COVID-19.

Donations Needed for the Health Office

Our Health Office is in need of donations, we are specifically looking for new or gently used clothes for students for all kinds of reasons. Specifically, we're in need of new underwear and socks and new or gently used bottoms for students in grades PreK through 3rd grade. Accidents happen all the time and we want to be sure we're prepared to get students changed and ready to return to class to be learners.

Do you shop on Amazon?

If you do, follow the link below and help the Kingswood PTSA earn money while you shop. It is the same great amazon that you are used to, just with the added bonus of generating funds for Kingswood PTSA. Let the shopping begin!

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/86-0966408>

Parent Portal

If you have not already signed up for Parent Portal, please do so as soon as possible. You will have easy access to your child's grades and other important information and will be able to pay any fees due for elemiddle sports, field trips, etc.

Please click on the link below to enter the Parent Portal:

[Dysart Parent Portal](#)

If you do not have an account already set up, please click on 'create account'.

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Have a Great Week!