

## **Hello Kingswood Families!**

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

What an amazing start to the school year we've had and it's all a credit to everyone working together. We have all been learning some lessons along the way and we know technology doesn't always want to cooperate. Trust me, we're still trying to figure out why we couldn't go Live on Facebook using Zoom this past Thursday. Please know we're here to support you along this journey, we did not want to start the school year like this either, but we appreciate everyone's understanding and willingness to persevere through the tough times. This is just one reason why we chose #KingswoodStrong as our focus this year, we're going to continue to explore what makes each and every one of our Knights STRONG!

A few friendly reminders for you include:

- Curbside Lunch Service - Monday through Friday from 11:30 - 12:30pm. It is extremely helpful if you have your lunch barcode or know your student's ID number. For more information please visit [Meal Service Information 2020-2021](#)
- Chromebooks - We are still checking out Chromebooks to families, we have enough for every student at Kingswood to have their own device this school year. If you have already picked one up please be sure to visit the [Payment Portal](#) to pay the insurance fee online.
- Please visit [www.dysart.org/BacktoSchool](http://www.dysart.org/BacktoSchool) for the most up-to-date information on safety practices and answers to many of your questions. We know how unique our students are and we know there will be unique situations that occur for our families, please reach out to us so we can work to problem solve together.
- If you have any specific questions, comments or concerns please feel free to contact us directly. Reach us by phone at 623-876-7600 or email at [kingswood@dysart.org](mailto:kingswood@dysart.org) and we'll work to find you your answer.
- 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 August 17th Events**

### **Monday: August 17th**

- Meal Service @ 11:30 - 12:30pm - Front Curb
- Special Area Classes

- New Rotations Start for K-4 - Please contact your homeroom teacher for your new Special area class.
- [Monday Menu for Specials - 8/17](#)
- Remember, every Monday is a more independent work time for specials. Teachers will not be formally meeting with students, but they are available to help students and families with assignments or technology questions on Zoom. Here is the Monday help link: [Monday Specials Help Link](#)
- Early Release Dismissal @ 1pm

**Tuesday: August 18th**

- Meal Service @ 11:30 - 12:30pm - Front Curb

**Wednesday: August 19th**

- Meal Service @ 11:30 - 12:30pm - Front Curb

**Thursday: August 20th**

- Meal Service @ 11:30 - 12:30pm - Front Curb

**Friday: August 21st**

- Meal Service @ 11:30 - 12:30pm - Front Curb
- Ice Bucket Challenge: Mrs. Benicki & Mr. St.Germain @ 2:45pm
  - The time has come for Mrs. Benicki and Mr.St.Germain to participate in the Ice Bucket Challenge!
  - This is from the PTSA Spring Read-a-Thon when Mrs. Benicki's class exceeded their goal and led the school in donations!
  - We'll be broadcasting LIVE on the Kingswood Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/KGWESKnights](http://www.facebook.com/KGWESKnights) to join in on the fun!

**Preview of Upcoming Events - Mark your calendars!**

- 8/25 - KGWES Monthly Site Council Meeting @ 3:30pm - Virtual
- 8/25 - KGWES PTSA Meeting @ 5:30pm - Virtual
- 8/26 - DUSD Governing Board Meeting @ 6pm - District Office Main Board Room
- 9/7 - No School - Labor Day
- 9/9 - DUSD Governing Board Meeting @ 6pm - District Office Main Board Room
- 9/29 - KGWES Monthly Site Council Meeting @ 3:30pm - Virtual
- 9/29 - KGWES PTSA Meeting @ 5:30pm - Virtual
- Week of 10/5 - PTSA Book Fair
- Week of 10/5 - Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 10/8 - Half Day of School(Parent-Teacher Conferences) @ 11:15am
- 10/9 - Half Day of School(Parent-Teacher Conferences) @ 11:15am
- Week of 10/12 - No School - Fall Break

**IT support for Parents, Students and Staff**

- IT Support Hotline 623-876-7170
- IT support email [ITSupport@dysart.org](mailto:ITSupport@dysart.org)

## **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 - We will accept these once the schools reopen.**

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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You can now find us  
on Facebook, Twitter,  
and Instagram  
**@KGWESKnights**

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Have a Great Week!