



Date: 25/9/20

Issue: 4

Principal: Miss J Slinger

School Uniform

Please remember that our uniform policy expects all children to wear all black footwear. All black trainers are fine but no large coloured patterns/logos, coloured soles or coloured laces. If children are bringing different trainers for the Daily Mile, this is fine, but children must wear their black footwear in class. We continue to have a large stock of plimsolls for children to change into if they have not brought appropriate footwear.

Trainers for PE do not need to be black

On PE days, pupils are currently asked to come to school dressed in PE kit

Lunch Money

The cost of lunch is

£10.00 per week.

Payment should be sent in on a Monday in an envelope with your child's name and what it is for clearly marked on the envelope.

Lunches must be paid for in advance

GDPR

Emergency contacts for children

'If you provide emergency contact details, please ensure you have checked with the contact that they are happy for you to share these details with us'

NO SMOKING SIGNS

Due to the health and safety of the children could we remind parents/carers not to smoke outside the school perimeter

A note from the Principal

Hello all,

Earlier in the week, I posted a Tweet about a booklet that we now have available for our families. This provides ideas and support for having conversations with children and young people about the Black Live Matter movement. Although this can be a complex topic to discuss, we know it is important to do so and children have lots of questions about information they hear around them. There are copies in the school front office or you can request one from your child's teacher.

As I'm sure you'll understand, Parents' Evening will not be able to run as it normally would this term. Instead of inviting parents in to meet teachers, you will need to make an appointment for a phone call. Look out for a letter and return slip to book your slot. These will take place on Weds 14th and Thurs 15th Oct. Last year we had 100% of parents/carers attend these meetings either in person or over the phone and I would like this to continue. We really do appreciate your engagement and support in your child's learning.

I'm delighted to welcome Mrs Wolf to you all – see photo to the right. She will be starting with us at Knighton Mead in a couple of weeks and joining Miss Lambert as the teachers for Year 2. Miss Lambert will continue to teach the class for part of the week, with Mrs Wolf teaching the other days. We are really looking forward to having Mrs Wolf as part of the Knighton Mead team and she's very excited to meet you all soon.

In line with safety measures, we are no longer allowing children to bring in sweets or other treats to give their classmates for birthdays or other celebrations. Thank you for your understanding.

Following feedback from children, we have updated our menu slightly and added options as shown below:

Tuesday – option 3 – Cheese Baguette

Thursday- option 3 – Cheese wrap

Finally, we are all so impressed with how well children have settled in to the start of the year and their enthusiasm is so wonderful to see. Thank you for supporting us in giving them such a smooth and purposeful transition back to school. Take care and stay safe!

Miss Slinger

Good to be Green badges—25.9.20 - Until we can begin Friday Celebration assemblies again, we will share this week's badges on the newsletter each week! Look out for photos on Twitter too.

Year 3

Esme Pridmore – Red merit

Brooke Fryer – Yellow merit

Summer-Louise Murch – Yellow merit

Michaela Szabo – Red merit

Year 4

Zane Barwell – 2nd round green

Blake Kelly - Gold

Year 6

Keari Bloxham – 2nd round green merit badge

Ashleigh Sharp – 2nd round green badge

Lacie Kenning – 2nd round yellow

Mayar Kohla – 1st round green



Twitter



Search: KnightonTMET

Please make sure that you follow us on Twitter to keep up to date with news and events but also see what your children are up to whilst in school!

<https://twitter.com/knightontmet>

Enquiries: office@knighton-tmet.uk



Upcoming Dates

Over the next couple of weeks, we would normally hold welcome mornings for families to attend and meet their child/ren’s teachers. However, these will not be able to take place due to Covid-19 restrictions. If you would like to talk to any of our teachers, please email or call the school office to make an appointment.

Trips, events and clubs will not be taking place until at least **after October half term** .

Autumn Fair— we’re sad to tell you that this will now have to be cancelled. Children will continue with their DT plans and will sell their products in a different way—watch out for adverts on our Twitter page for each year group’s product!

Thursday 8th October—pupil photos

- No nursery photographs
- No siblings in school photographs
- Individual photographs only
- Pupil will be standing not sitting on stool
- Please let your child’s teacher know if you DO NOT want your child to go in and have their photo taken on the 8th Oct



Jan 4th 2021—now not an inset day and children will attend

Harvest 2020

We are going ahead with Harvest contributions this year but it will be a little different. We will collect items from each bubble and quarantine items for 72 hours before donating them to a local food bank—**Items by Friday 2nd October please!**

- Canned fruits and vegetables
- Cereal
- Pasta and rice
- Canned beans and soup
- Canned meat
- Cereal bars



Gates and Social Distancing

Thank you for your patience with new systems and routines at Knighton—all has gone really well this week.

8:35—gates open

8:35-8:50 children are dropped off at their designated gate. Staff on gates to answer any questions and on doors to welcome pupils

8:50 gates are locked by a member of the senior leadership team

3:00 gates are opened and parents come on to the designated area of their child’s playground

3:10 children are brought out to line up and dismissed. Families to leave playground as soon as possible

Reminders:

- **1** parent on the playground with each family of children, to avoid unnecessary crowding
- Families to remain socially distanced from other households when on the playground and the surrounding areas of school
- Masks are currently optional for adults picking up children, providing all are socially distanced, but we do strongly encourage you to wear one

Attendance



Whilst those who must self-isolate impacts on pupils being able to attend school, we are calculating our attendance figures without these cases to make it fairer. Who will win this week for attendance and punctuality?!

Class	% Attend
Year 1	99.1
Year 2	95.6
Year 3	99.1
Year 4	94.0
Year 5	94.2
Year 6	98.1
Reception	98.1
Whole school attendance	96.9%

Congratulations Year 1 and Year 3 with fantastic attendance this week. Both classes will earn an attendance medal on our new display.

A huge congratulations also goes to Reception with their fantastic punctuality this week as they have had no late arrivals into class.

CHARACTER MUSCLE OF THE WEEK —

week beginning Monday 28th September

— OPTIMISM

Believe you can and you’re half way there!

