

Principal Email June 25, 2021

Dear Knoxdale Families,

The end of a school year is a time for celebration and reflection. We learned more about virtual learning than we thought we ever would. Most importantly, we learned about resilience, perseverance, and responsibility - we learned about caring for ourselves, each other, and the value of things we once took for granted. It hasn't been easy, but together we have learned so much and are grateful for our Knoxdale community.

### **2021-22 School Year**

For our grade six and departing students, we wish you well in your move to your new school. We hope that you will keep fond memories of your time at Knoxdale. For families and students in grades 1-6 returning next year, we will be ready to welcome you on September 9th, 2021. Please see the school year calendar here: [OCDSB Calendar](#) (Pending ministry approval)

First time kindergarten students, you will receive an email from your child's teacher with your intake date/time.

Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021

In-take Interviews/Welcome for Year One and first time Year 2 parents and students

Friday, Sept. 10, 2021

In-take Interviews/Welcome for Year One and Year 2 first time parents and students

Monday, Sept. 13, 2021

All Year One and Year Two students attend

### **Summer Construction at Knoxdale Site**

This summer, Knoxdale will be "under construction". The walkway leading to the main entrance will be redone, and the old "Greenbank Middle School" will be retrofitted into an Early Learning Centre. There will also be work done inside on some of the duct work, ceilings, lighting, unit ventilators and UV filtration units in some ceilings.

### **Knoxwear**

Spring Knoxwear orders are here! Please email [knoxdalecouncil@gmail.com](mailto:knoxdalecouncil@gmail.com) to arrange pick up. The goal is to have all orders distributed before the end of the month.

### **Report Cards**

Report cards for all grades **were sent via email** to parents and guardians on June 23. To access the report card, you will need your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN). When entering the OEN, please include the hyphens (XXX-XXX-XXX). The OEN can be found on your child's previous report cards. Know more: [ocdsb.ca/ReportCards](https://ocdsb.ca/ReportCards).

### **Update on Planning for start of 2021-22 school year**

We continue to update plans for September as new information becomes available. For elementary schools, the plans look very similar to what was in place this year, with resumption of activities in accordance with health directives.

### **Planning for Transportation in Fall 2021**

Are you moving or changing daycare providers? Will you be driving your child to school next year? Do you need to submit a renewal form for existing variable transportation arrangements for students with two homes? Visit the Ottawa Student Transportation Authority's [End of Year Transportation Updates](#) page to learn how to change or update any of your transportation information.

### **New youth mental health and addiction service - 1Call1Click.ca**

The Kids Come First Health Team officially launched [1Call1Click.ca](#), a unique service in Canada that makes it easier for children, youth and families of Eastern Ontario to find the care they need for mental health and addiction.

**For the most up-to-date information**, please visit our website at <https://knoxdaleps.ocdsb.ca/>

### **OSTA**

OSTA is looking for bus drivers, if you or someone you know is interested; please see the recruitment poster attached.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VMSIaN48WfvZP6FiFRCC6sITIQ1BrRGP/view?usp=sharing>

### **Lost and Found**

They will be available for pick up once again at the beginning of September should you have missed your opportunity to get them. Unclaimed items will be bagged and donated at the end of September.

### **Grade 6 Unclaimed Certificates**

Any unclaimed grade 6 certificates will be mailed to your child's new school in September.

Have a fun, safe and restful summer!

**Julie Chouinard**  
**Principal**  
**Knoxdale P.S**