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Principal's Message

We have had a very smooth start to our school year. Kettleby students are familiarizing themselves again with routine and for those that are new to Kettleby, they are learning these routines. We are pleased to report that no classes required re-organization this year. Please join me in officially welcoming Ms. Ebenbauer who will remain teaching the gr. 1/2 class this year while Ms. Wallace is on her maternity leave. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this transition time.

Kettleby Public School would like to extend a warm welcome again this year to our agency partner, Blue Hills and their academic program York Academy. This program is provided by York Region District School Board teachers and a highly qualified personnel who are experts at providing a safe, positive environment for their students and others with whom they share their school environment. This program has contributed substantially over the years to our school's reputation and culture of caring, compassion and inclusiveness. Welcome to our new families.

Kettleby Public School held its first School Council meeting on September 16th, 2014. I would like to thank and congratulate our executive slate for the 2014-2015 academic year, Ms. Cowper who will be our new Chair, Ms. Easterling, Treasurer, Ms. Stewart, Secretary, Ms. Kloefer, parent member, Ms. Butler, parent member, and Ms. Ross, parent member. All parents are welcome as we begin planning for another exciting year. Teachers are settling into their routines as well at Kettleby. Work on our school plan is under way and some staff members will again be involved in our area network to improve student achievement.

With the change in fall colours and our cool mornings, we are quickly reminded that the cold weather is just around the corner. Please remember to ensure that your children are dressed according to the weather and dressing in layers is always recommended as the day may get warmer.

Next week our school will be recognizing Safety week. We have had our annual bus safety training and next week we will be practicing our lock down and hold and secure procedures. We will also be holding one of our regularly scheduled fire drills.

We look forward to meeting and seeing all of you at our "Meet the Teacher" open house which is scheduled for this Wednesday October 1st at 6pm. Pizza will be ready from 6-6:30pm and classrooms will be ready for visiting from 6:30-7:30pm. We hope you can join us. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call in at the office 905 727 9852. Please remember to visit our school website www.kettleby.ps.ca for ongoing communication and don't forget to subscribe to our school email list. You can find the subscribe option at the bottom right hand corner of our school website.

Halloween Safety at School

Please be reminded that the *York Region District School Board's Safe and Supportive Schools Policy* strictly prohibits weapons and replica weapons on school property.

A distinction is not made according to how realistic the replica may appear. Therefore, all toy guns, knives etc. fall into this category and possession on school property can lead to a suspension which could be up to twenty days. The policy applies to all students, regardless of age. Please discuss this with your children and ensure that all such toys are left at home. Laser pointers are considered potentially dangerous and therefore fall into the same category.

This reminder is especially important to note as Halloween approaches. As your children choose their costumes, please keep in mind that they are not allowed to bring any replica weapons as props for their costumes.



More Lunch Assistants Needed

Kettleby Public School is looking for a more lunch assistants to fill in our schedule. This is a paid position working 1 hour a day from 12:45-1:45pm. Please call the office for more information 905 727 9852.

Lunches at Kettleby

Lunches will once again resume at KPS starting with pizza on October 1st. Information and orders forms will be arriving home shortly for Pita Pit and the Lunch Lady which will begin distribution the second week of October.



Money Matters

We would like to remind parents that our cheque processing times can be up to a full month. This time allows for complete collection from all students, funds to be received by the office, office processing and then our financial institution processing. In order to prevent unwanted NSF fees we would ask you carefully follow all cheques provide to the school and allow for this lengthy process.



Safety Week **(Sept. 29– Oct 3)**

The first week of October is Safety Week and we have practiced school wide Fire Drills, Hold and Secure instructions and Lockdown procedures as part of our Emergency Preparedness training.

Our students understand that keeping them safe is our first priority and that having a well prepared plan in place ensures we all stay calm and act in an orderly manner in the unlikely event that something unexpected does happen.

To ensure the visibility and accessibility of staff members on supervision duty staff wear reflective vests or sashes and carry walkie talkies.

All visitors and volunteers are required to sign in at the office and wear a visitors' badge when moving through the school.

Volunteers/visitors who are interacting with students in the school building and/or on field trips require an up to date Vulnerable Sector Screening (police check). Once we have this on file you need to complete an Annual Offence Declaration form within a year of the date on the *police check*.

We are looking forward to having the Fire Dept visit us to review Fire Prevention Safety in early November.

Morning Supervision

Morning playground supervision begins at 8:40 am. Therefore students must not arrive before supervision is available. Upon arrival students are to make their way to the north side of the school. Kindergarten students line up at the front door.



LOST AND FOUND

Although every attempt will be made to assist students, the school cannot accept responsibility for items lost, stolen or destroyed on school property.

To help prevent loss, label any clothing or personal items and avoid bringing valuable items to school.

Items not properly labelled will not be able to be returned to the rightful owner and will be donated to a charitable organization frequently throughout the year.

Physical Education

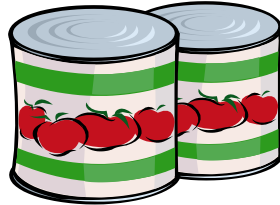
Clothing

Students gain the maximum benefit from the physical education program when they dress in appropriate clothing. Appropriate clothing includes: shorts, t-shirt and running shoes (with non-marking soles).



KETTLEBY FOOD DRIVE

It is that special time of the year when we think of others who are in need of food and shelter. Kettleby Public School is collecting non-perishable foods from October 1-9, 2014. The food bank is always in need of food especially canned goods (stews, soups, fruits and vegetables). The food bank also needs canned meats (chicken, beef and ham). Please help us have a successful food drive this year.



Community Board

Please review our Community Board located outside the office for events, programs, and registration forms for local sporting teams, clubs, and local community events.



CONTACT INFORMATION

Please note we are continuing to update all contact information changes provide to the office on the Office Index Cards. If you have any changes to your cell phone number, home phone number, address, or emergency contacts please make changes to the index cards and return to your child's teacher asap. Also please remember to visit our school website www.kettleby.ps.ca to subscribe to our approved list to comply with Canada's anti-spam legislation.



Lice Checks

We would like to remind parents that from time to time checking your child's head for lice is necessary. If you discover your child has come into contact

with lice please report it to the office so we can follow up with all students in the class. Notices may be sent home asking for you to check and how to treat in the event of contact. If it is discovered at school that your child has lice, your child will have to go home for treatment immediately and may return after he or she is all clear.

Library News

Presenting our new library



Mrs. Prickaerts is **delighted** to report that the library is up and running now after its summer renovation and the redesigning of the space. She would like to publicly thank Juliana Ivan, Heidi Small and Sonja Rowhani for helping get the books back onto the shelves. They were an **amazing** team of volunteers!

Parent volunteers will be needed throughout the year, to keep the library in great working order. Please speak to Mrs. Prickaerts if you are willing to help out.



**FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
OPEN HOUSE**

Thursday, October 9

Schomberg Fire Station

**Location: 91 Proctor Road
(right beside the Trisan Centre)**

Time: 3:30 to 8:00pm



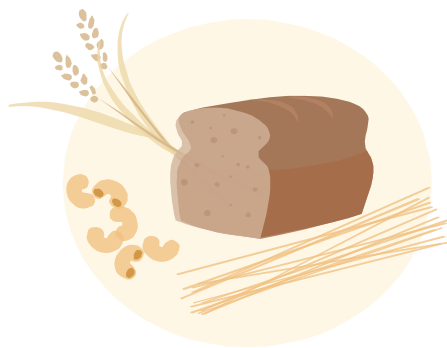
- **Come out and meet the firefighters that both serve and live in your communities**
- **Come and see your trucks, your equipment, your fire station**
- **Watch firefighters perform a simulated Search and Rescue**
- **Watch a live demonstration on how a residential sprinkler system actually puts out a real fire**
- **Watch a live demonstration on how the Jaws of Life work at a simulated vehicle accident**
- **Watch the new 100ft ladder truck in operation**
- **Learn why you need to have a working carbon monoxide detector**
- **Learn how to install a working smoking alarm in less than 5 mins.**
- **Learn how to develop a fire escape plan for YOUR FAMILY**

The Fall Food Bank

It is that special time of the year when we think of others who are in need of food and shelter.

Kettleby Public School is collecting non-perishable foods during the week of

October 1 - October 9, 2014



King Township Food bank is in need of:

- *canned meats (chicken, beef, ham)
- *tuna
- *tinned vegetables
- *tinned fruit
- *canned stews
- *cans of soup
- *cans of pasta with meat
- *canned salmon

Please check the website for other items that are in need

www.kingtowshipfoodbank.ca

LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Cougar Pride Winners Award



Mrs. Ransom– Ethan Hulton, Mitchell DeWolfe

Ms. Kumbhare - Eva Hanson, Juliet Adams, Oliver Wang
Celena Blenkhorn

Ms. Ebenbauer– Jack Shepherd, Mehar Bedi, Lucas Lamberti,
Joo Hoon Lee

Mrs. Penny– Tasman Graham, Andrew Wu

Mr. Summerfeldt– Jada Ihejirika, Alessia Marignani

Mr. Layefsky– Jake Henderson, Alyssa Carriero, Ryan Stewart,
Ashley Chung, Annika von Enckevort

Mr. Gunsinger– Thibault Malet, Damien Wilson



Kettleby Public School Council 2014/2015

Parent Connection – October

Meet our 2014/2015 School Council

Council Chair: Barbara Cowper
Secretary: Beckie Stewart
Treasurer: Tammy Easterling
Parent Reps: Candice Butler, Silke Huber and Paola Kloepfer.
Community Rep: Larry McGrath

We are here to help create a positive, nurturing learning community for our kids. The next council meeting will be October 7th at 7pm in the KPS Library. Everyone is welcome!

Heads Up

Due to the low response rate on the council survey, Candice Butler will poll everyone at "Meet the Teacher Night", hopefully getting a more accurate understanding of parent preferences. We want to learn how parents feel we can best structure and support fundraising activities as well as the most effective ways to communicate with the KPS parent community.

Save The Date

We are planning a movie night and are excited to be presenting the Lego Movie. We hope you can join us for an evening of fun on November 5th at 6:30pm. More details to come!

15 Ways To Ask Kids How Was School Today Without Asking How Was School Today

1. What was the best thing that happened at school today? (What was the worst thing that happened at school today?)
2. Tell me something that made you laugh today.
3. Where is the coolest place at the school?
4. How did you help somebody today?
5. Tell me one thing that you learned today.
6. When were you the happiest today?
7. When were you bored today?
8. If I called your teacher tonight, what would she tell me about you?
9. If an alien spaceship came to your class and beamed someone up, who would you want them to take?
10. Tell me a weird word that you heard today. (Or something weird that someone said.)
11. Who would you like to play with at recess that you've never played with before?
12. What do you think you should do/learn more of at school?
13. If you got to be the teacher tomorrow, what would you do?
14. If you could switch seats with anyone in the class, who would you trade with? Why?
15. Tell me about three different times you used your pencil today at school.



For more questions like these please visit <http://m.huffpost.com/us/entry/5738338>



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– Shaila Karim, Education Program Specialist

FALL COURSES

Raising a Responsible Child

New! Do you have to nag, remind, and threaten just to get your child to take care of their responsibilities? Do you often end up doing their work for them? Whether it’s putting laundry away or completing school assignments, your child must learn how to cope with life’s demands. This workshop/webinar zeros in on the steps you can take to help your kids handle their responsibilities without arguing or pampering.

Help! My Child Won’t Listen

New! Is it hard to get your child to cooperate? Does it feel like everything’s a battle? Power struggles are one of the most common yet difficult parenting challenges. Understand the dynamics behind this stressful problem and learn effective, simple strategies to “defuse” power and improve cooperation and harmony.

Raising a Self-Confident, Resilient Child

Do you feel your child lacks self-confidence? Does this problem impact school or friendships? Research has shown that children with high self-esteem have an advantage in dealing with life’s challenges. This workshop/webinar gives you strategies to help your child develop resilience and healthy self-esteem. Encouragement, perfectionism, praise, and handling mistakes without discouragement are all examined in this enlightening workshop.

Say Good-bye to Homework Hassles

New! Is the nightly hour of homework a negative experience for both you and your child? Not all homework problems are the same and each requires a tailored solution. Learn how to help your child handle this important responsibility and establish good study habits – vital tools for their future academic success.

Parenting Without Anger

All parents get angry but if you feel that anger is having a negative impact on your family, this workshop/webinar is a must for you. Learn the important skills of positive communication and problem solving to help you maintain a respectful atmosphere in your family. Proven tools such as family meetings, listening techniques, and conflict resolution will be covered.

New e-book!

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Workshop #	Location	Address	Room	Day	Dates	Time
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Say Good-bye to Homework Hassles One- Evening Workshop – \$40/person \$70/couple

Richmond Hill

1Y	Loyal True Blue & Orange Home	11181 Yonge St. (N of Elgin Mills)	Room B13	Tuesday	Oct. 21	6:30–8:30pm
2Y	Loyal True Blue & Orange Home	11181 Yonge St. (N of Elgin Mills)	Room B13	Tuesday	Nov. 18	6:30–8:30pm

Raising a Responsible Child AND Parenting Without Anger

Saturday Workshop– \$70/person \$120/couple

3Y	Richmond Hill	Loyal True Blue & Orange Home	11181 Yonge St.(N of Elgin Mills)	Room B13	Saturday	Sept. 27	12:00– 4:00pm
4Y	Markham	Markham Centennial C.C.	8600 McCowan Rd (N of Hwy 7)	Pool Training Rm	Saturday	Nov.15	12:00– 4:00pm
5Y	Richmond Hill	Loyal True Blue & Orange Home	11181 Yonge St.(N of Elgin Mills)	Room B13	Saturday	Dec. 6	12:00– 4:00pm

Help! My Child Won't Listen AND Raising a Self-Confident, Resilient Child

Saturday Workshop– \$70/person \$120/couple

6Y	Richmond Hill	Loyal True Blue & Orange Home	11181 Yonge St (N of Elgin Mills)	Room B13	Saturday	Nov. 1	12:00– 4:00pm
7Y	Woodbridge	Ansley Grove Library	350 Ansley Grove Rd. (N of Hwy 7)	Meeting Room	Saturday	Nov. 8	12:00 – 4:00pm

Say Good-bye to Homework Hassles AND Parenting Without Anger

Saturday Workshop– \$70/person \$120/couple

8Y	Markham	Markham_Centennial C.C.	8600 McCowan Rd (N of Hwy 7)	Pool Training Rm	Saturday	Oct. 4	12:00– 4:00pm
9Y	Richmond Hill	Loyal True Blue & Orange Home	11181 Yonge St (N of Elgin Mills)	Room B13	Saturday	Nov.22	12:00– 4:00pm

Raising a Responsible Child AND Help! My Child Won't Listen

Saturday Workshop– \$70/person \$120/couple

10Y	Markham	Markham_Centennial C.C.	8600 McCowan Rd (N of Hwy 7)	Pool Training Rm	Saturday	Nov. 29	12:00 – 4:00pm
11Y	Woodbridge	Ansley Grove Library	350 Ansley Grove Rd. (N of Hwy 7)	Meeting Room	Saturday	Oct. 25	12:00– 4:00pm

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12W Raising a Responsible Child

Wednesday October 29 7—8 pm

13W Parenting Without Anger

Wednesday Nov. 5 7—8 pm

14W Help! My Child Won't Listen

Wednesday Nov. 12 7—8 pm

15W Raising a Self-confident, Resilient Child

Wednesday Nov. 19 7—8 pm

16W Say Good-bye to Homework Hassles

Wednesday Nov. 26 7—8 pm

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