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## Parent Information & News at KKSA

September 30th, 2015

Dear <<First Name>>,

WOW what an eventful week here at KKSA. The clubs and activities are in full swing. Hopefully your child continues to share events that occur during their school day. We are diving into our curriculum and the teachers are working hard to forge connections and ensure that students are making progress. In mathematics, we offer extra help/support on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the library.

Thank you for your feedback on our KFC Day. We are working as a staff to plan a similar activity for the winter months. It is also an excellent opportunity for student leadership so we will incorporate a few more student leaders in the activities.

## Updating Personal Data

Students will be bringing Data Verification forms home with the current information we have for you in our database. Please take the time to review and complete this form. We would like them returned by Friday, October 9.

## Terry Fox Run

## Upcoming Dates

**Fri, Oct 2nd**

Terry Fox Walk/Run

**Mon, Oct 5th**

Cross Country Meet

**Tue, Oct 6th**

Because I Am a Girl

**Fri, Oct 9th**

Speeches for Student  
Elections

KKSA is pleased to confirm that our annual Terry Fox Run/Walk will be held this Friday, October 2 at 9:00am. The run/walk should begin around 9:45/10:00 am. We are asking students to donate \$3.50 as this is the 35th Anniversary of the Marathon of Hope. There will be a donation jar for students to drop off their coins on the day of the run. Families wishing to contribute further to the Terry Fox Foundation can do so by donating directly on the [KKSA Terry Fox Fundraising Page](#). Use this method if you would like a tax receipt for your donation. Students are reminded to dress appropriately for the run/walk (comfortable clothes, appropriate shoes/sneakers).

## Gym Uniforms

Sorry for the initial glitch but the site is up and running for a few more days. Do not miss out on your opportunity to purchase gym clothes for your son/daughter. Order [online](#) today! The discount code if purchasing the whole kit : **PACKAGE**

## Art Kits

We are currently selling Art Kits for students. These kits are available for all students in all grades. The materials in the kit will last for several years, if cared for. Teachers have discussed the benefits of the resources in the kit with their students. If you would like your child to purchase a kit please, have them submit \$40.00 to Ms. Stone in the office. We anticipate delivery of the kits in about 2 weeks. [Click here](#) to see a picture of what is included in the kit.

## Grade 8 Update

A “Choices Evening” is scheduled to be held for families at John English School on Thursday, October 22 (start time TBD). The presentation will include information for students and parents on the various choices and programs available for secondary education. We often have display tables set up from various local high schools. You will also have an opportunity to ask questions. The address for John English is below:

John English JMS  
95 Mimico Ave, Toronto, ON M8V 1R4

Information about open house events at individual high schools and programs will be sent separately to all grade 8 parents.

## Grade 8 Graduation Trip

At the end of the school year we surveyed the parent community seeking some input regarding our graduation trip. Many families were open to the suggestion of possibly changing the venue of the trip. Unfortunately, even at that point in time, we were too late to significantly change the details of the itinerary. Working with our tour company, Bright Sparks, we discussed the possibility of changing some of

our hotel options so that we could lower the overall cost of the trip. We also discussed perhaps shortening the trip to save on costs but It was determined that if traveling outside the province, the students needed at least 4 days away because of the time lost to transit. Details will be sent to grade 8 families about the specifics of the trip we have come up with. We are also confident that we will be able to offset the cost through fundraising. Stay tuned! Please note that no student will be left behind due to financial restrictions.

## Board Communication

Please see important [letter attached](#) with a Labour Update.

### Teams & Clubs

- *Cheer Club - Friday Lunch*
- *Cross Country - Mon, Wed (before school) & Thu (after school)*
- *Dungeons & Dragons - Wednesday Lunch*
- *Math Support (all grades) - Tue & Thu 8:00am*
- *Glee Club - Thursday Lunch*
- *Drama Club - Fridays after school*

Thank you for taking the time to read this week's newsletter and please don't hesitate to contact me directly if you have any questions or concerns.

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