Good Evening King School families, this is Dr. Gray, with your Sunday Snapshot for the week of September 21st.

- **Virtual Book Fair:**
  
  Our virtual scholastic book fair sponsored by the MLK PTO starts tomorrow, and will last until Sunday October 4th. Please refer to the flyer that was emailed to you on Friday.

  All purchases will benefit our school, items will be shipped directly to your home, and all purchases over $25 will ship free of charge.

  ***Parents, our ELA teachers have identified specific books they would like you to purchase for your child, and they will use these books in their ELA classes. I am proud to share that these books were written by a culturally diverse group of authors.

  o **Grade 4 Books**
    - “The One and Only Ivan” by Katherine Applegate
    - “Bella’s Story: A Dog’s Way Home Tale” by W. Bruce Cameron
    - “Other Words for Home” by Jasmine Warga

  o **Grade 5 Books**
    - “Save Me a Seat” by Gita Varadarajan and Sarah Weeks
    - “The Watsons Go to Birmingham” by Christopher Paul Curtis

- **Back-to-School Night:**
  
  We will conduct a virtual back-to-school (BTS) night this Thursday September 24th. While it will be quite different than previous years, we have been diligently preparing to make the experience meaningful and informative. Specific details and directions will be shared with you on Wednesday, however, here are a few details to note:
All teachers have prepared pre-recorded videos for their BTS night presentation. Videos will be available for you to view by 3:00pm on Thursday. They will be available to watch beyond Thursday, so can view them at your convenience.

Please make sure your parent Schoology is account is activated, as that will be one of the ways for you to access the teacher BTS Night videos. Below is the link for you to sign up for your account (if you haven’t done so already):

https://www.piscatawayschools.org/parents/schoology_parent_resources

From 7:00-7:30pm on Thursday evening, each teacher will host a live Zoom session where they will address general questions parents have about their pre-recorded video. Please note this session is completely optional and attendance will not be taken. Microphones will be muted, videos will be disabled and parents will be able to use the chat to ask general questions. Teachers will respond to questions verbally.

- **Daily Schedule/Zoom Links:**

  Students and parents, hopefully, the schedule we shared with you prior to the start of school continues to work well. We still have plans to share a new schedule that will be even more user friendly. It will look exactly the same, however, instead of the Zoom links at the top, each class on the schedule itself will be a hyperlink that when selected will take you directly to that teacher’s class.

- **Music Programs:**

  4th grade students and parents. Hopefully, you received the email message sent from our music teachers on Thursday about our band, chorus and orchestra programs. Mr. Buchanan also included information for the 4th grade students about the recorders. Please take a moment to watch the video our music teachers took time to create, by selecting the link below:

  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bj8WvD_RJ-E&feature=youtu.be

- **Important Dates:**

  At the end of the transcript of each Sunday Snapshot I will now include a list of “Upcoming Important Dates” by month. Hopefully, this will allow you and your family to plan ahead and to help manage your busy schedules. We will also continue to email the Sunday Snapshot transcript to you on Mondays, in case you missed something, or would like to print out a copy. You can also access the transcript of my Sunday Snapshot under the “Quick Links” area on the King School homepage.
• **Sports Spirit Day:**
  This Friday’s spirit day is “Sports Day.” This is such a unique time in the sports world where all of the major sports are taking place at the same time: Basketball, Football, Baseball, Hockey and Soccer. Wear a jersey, shirt, hat or any type of gear from your favorite sports team. Don’t forget to send a picture to your teacher to post on the spirit wall.

I Hope You & Your Families Have a Positive & Productive Week!

“Let’s Remember to Stay Connected”

**Upcoming Important Dates**

**September**
- PTO-Scholastic Book Fair September 21-Oct. 4
- Back-to-School Night (virtual) September 24
- Schools Closed (Yom Kippur) September 28

**October**
- Early Dismissal (teacher in-service) October 13
- Week of Respect October 5-9
- School Violence Awareness Week October 19-23

**November**
- Schools Closed (teacher in-service) November 3
- Schools Closed (NJEA Convention) November 5 & 6
- Last day of Marking Period 1 November 13
- Parent Conferences (Evening) November 18 & 19
- Parent Conferences (Day) November 20
- Early Dismissal November 25
- Schools Closed (Thanksgiving) November 26-27