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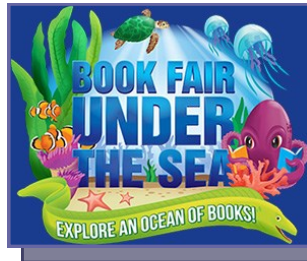
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The Spring Book Fair is here!



The Spring Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting NES during the week of April 13th-17th. Students will visit the fair during their regularly scheduled library class and families have the opportunity to visit after school and on a special family night. Students eagerly await the arrival of the Book Fair

and look forward to selecting books for their own home library. The Book Fair gives students access to new, high interest titles and the opportunity to choose books that will motivate them to read.

The fair will be open during the following hours:

Monday, April 13th - Thursday, April 16th 8:10 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Friday, April 17th 8:10 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Family Night is Thursday, April 16th from 4:00-7:00 P.M.

Purchases from the fair help benefit the Library Media Center and enable the library to add new books to the collection. The Library Media Center collection is improving and growing because of the wonderful support of the NES community during the book fairs.

For those who are interested in helping out at the Book Fair, volunteer slots are available and can be found at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e48a5a72ca46-20151>

Kindergarten Screening

There will be no Kindergarten on May 7th and 8th due to Kindergarten screening.



Big Thanks for Making the Spring Fling Luau and Auction a Big Success

A big thanks to everyone who made this year's Spring Fling Luau and Silent Auction a great success. On March 27th NES PTA held its biggest event of the year and raised \$10,000 for NES PTA activities at the school. This money will be used for curriculum support, technology, in house enrichment and other initiatives.

We had some fun times playing miniature golf and competing in a luau contest and there was some wild bidding on some fun experiences and items! Thank you to everyone who attended, everyone who planned, our donors, and our volunteers. This kind of event takes many people coming together to happen.

Thank you to all involved. For a complete list of participants look inside on pages 4 and 5.



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Kindergarten Update...

We have been taking off in kindergarten! Students have been reading “just right books” during center time. Once they practice reading the book many times and read it to a teacher, they become the “Guest Reader” where they read the book to the class!

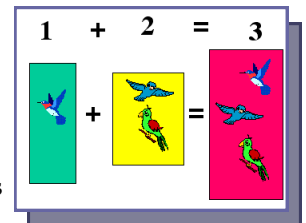


Our Foundations lessons continue with the students building three-sound words. We practice writing these words on white boards and building the words with magnetic letters. Our work continues with retelling stories, identifying characters, setting, and main idea.



We introduced the first of many “trick words” to the students. These are words that cannot be tapped out. The students must memorize the spelling. The children are held accountable for spelling these words correctly during writing time. Speaking of writing, the children are doing a fabulous job writing stories. There is so much to remember when writing....a capital letter at the beginning of a sentence, finger spaces between words and punctuation. Don't forget a 5-6 color illustration to go with your writing too!

In math, students continue to count and measure and are developing strategies for finding the total after a new amount is added to a set. We have focused on the concept of changing quantities as students act out story problems and play games involving counting, comparing, and finding the total when an amount is added or taken away. Students are also exploring different ways to compose and decompose numbers as they view, create, and re-create arrangements for the numbers to 10. Students are learning how to solve story problems and develop addition and, later, subtraction equations.



Our math specialist, Ms. Paige, continues to provide a weekly math lesson to each kindergarten class. Her lessons expand upon the math curriculum with engaging and effective hands-on learning groups. Many thanks, Ms. Paige!



This month in science, the focus has been on spring weather and the changes it brings. We can finally see the grass on the playground, buds are starting to form on the trees and some of us have seen daffodils pushing up through the ground. March is known as a windy month. The students did an experiment where they predicted which items can be moved by wind and which cannot. We found that not only the weight of an object comes into play, but the shape of an object as well!

In social studies, we will be discussing our community, community helpers, why people work, and our address. Please help your child learn their home address, city or town, and state. We will use this information to locate our homes on a map.



“The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is
that little extra.”

-Unknown

PTA Update...

The Book Fair is Next Week

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school the week of April 13th! All proceeds from the Book Fair provide books and other resources for the NES Library. Students eagerly await the Book Fair and enjoy picking out materials for their home libraries.

Students will be visiting the book fair during their weekly library time.

Parents are invited to visit the fair at any time, but must sign in at the office.

The Book Fair is in the Little Gym.

Cash, checks, and credit cards are accepted. Checks should be made payable to NES PTA. If you'd like, you may leave the amount off of the check, with a maximum dollar amount allowed written in the memo, and we will fill in the exact total on the check. We will send a receipt home so you know the exact amount.

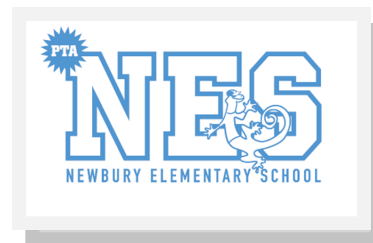
If you cannot visit the fair, but would like to purchase books, please go to: <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/newburyelementaryschool2>

Book Fair Hours, April 13th-17th:

Monday-Thursday, 8:10AM - 4:00PM

Friday, 8:10AM - 3:00PM

Please join us for Book Fair's Family Night! Thursday, 4/16 4:00PM - 7:00PM



Book Fair Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are welcome and needed for this week-long event! It's fun and easy to help students select their favorites. We'll train you at the start of your shift. If you have younger kids who are not in school, bring them along! It's a great way to introduce little ones to the joys of volunteering.

Please visit the volunteer schedule if you are available to help by visiting <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e48a5a72ca46-20151>

The Yearbook Needs Pictures By May 3rd

Efforts to put together the NES yearbook are underway. Between now and May 3rd, you may submit pictures of school events and activities for consideration. Pictures should be of high quality and in focus and show current students and staff. (Please note that pictures from home are not appropriate.)

Pictures should be uploaded onto the yearbook website.

To upload pictures, go to: http://link.entourageyearbooks.com/view_account.asp?l=E0E15A54-89AB-4CE5-AC83-80FA4497A9DD

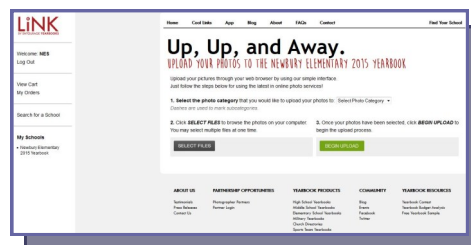
Click the blue Upload Photos button which will bring you to a new page.

Click Login

Username is nesyb2015@gmail.com

Password is nesyb2015

Photos should be loaded into categories. If one isn't listed, or if you have questions, please email Yearbook Coordinator Maddy Judkins at nesyb2015@gmail.com.



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Grand Trunk Old World Market
Funny Girl Designs LLC
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Teacher and Staff Donors

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Pet Pal Service	Anne Walsh	Margot Ryan
Spa Paradiso	Sally Milliken	May-Rita Visconti
Workshop in the Woods	Ola Russell	Melissa Giusto
Racquet Club of Newburyport	Pamela Swart	Kristin McDonald
Coastal Totes	Pam Murray	Brian Abt
Loom 'n Shuttle	Krista Yablin	Maddy Nathan
Greater Boston Running Company	Amy Tardy	Charlie LaBella
Pottery Isle	Deb Pike	Pamela Swart
OS & E Inc	Christine Romaides	Mary Anastasio
Nix's Mate Newburyport	Deb Murphy	Rick Bartman
Carry Out Cafe	Megan Butler	Heather DePaolo
Byfield Community Arts Center	Michelle Hall	Elise Carner
Anchor Stone Deck Pizza	Jenn Myette	Carol Jakobsons
Cross Fit Full Potential	Brenda Hoover	Liza Marcolini
Triton Youth Lacrosse	Hannah Stokes	Kate Arsenault
Pettengill Farm	Marianne McParland	
Merrohawke Nature School	Renée Toth	
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Wanted: Fairy & Gnome House Builders!

Fairy & Gnome Discovery Walk
Saturday, May 16th 10AM-3PM
Fettengill Farm, 48 Ferry Road, Salisbury, MA

Start designing *your* fairy house! What will the fairies do there? Or will it be a gnome house? What colors will it be? What will you use to make it? Draw a picture and start collecting materials. We can't wait to see it!

Explore the enchanted grounds and discover fairy gnome houses handcrafted by students, local business, and community groups. Local librarians will read fairy tales, dancers will perform fairy dances, kids yoga will be taught, and local musicians will perform throughout the day.

NES Librarian Mrs. Brown will be reading fairy and gnome stories at the event from 12-1pm!

Tickets are \$5 per person and \$15 a family (children ages 2 and under FREE). Proceeds from this event are to benefit NES FTA GROWS Schoolyard Rebuild Campaign and Salisbury Elementary FTA.

To sign up to submit your own home, please visit:
<http://fairygnomewalk.weebly.com/wanted-fairy--gnome-home-builders.htm>

Home submission is *free* and you need not be a SES or NES student to participate.

For how to build a fairy gnome home, more information, and ticket purchases please visit:

FairyGnomeWalk.Weebly.com

[Facebook.com/FairyGnomeHouse](https://www.facebook.com/FairyGnomeHouse)

SEPAC BUSINESS MEETING

SEPAC News...

Monday, April 13th, 6 pm

Triton High School Library

Join in the discussion about events and activities for the remainder of the school year, the summer and the new school year.

WORKSHOP:

Learning Opportunities for Students with Intellectual Disabilities in Massachusetts Public Colleges and Universities

Monday, April 13th, 6:30pm Triton High School Library

Glenn Gabbard, PhD, is the coordinator of Inclusive Concurrent Education Enrollment for the state Executive Office of Education. He will present information on state funded program opportunities available to public high school students with disabilities, ages 18-22, who have not passed MCAS. This presentation will be helpful for any parent with a child of transition age.

PRESENTATION:

From the authors of Shut Up About Your Perfect Kid!

The Movement of Imperfection

Thursday, May 7th, 7 pm Triton High School Auditorium

Star athlete. Prima ballerina. Musical genius. From the time our children are born, we have "perfect" plans for their futures. But for most of us, parenting is about letting go of the expectations and loving the reality. In this fun, interactive, and refreshingly imperfect talk, sisters Patty and Gina Terrasi (The "Shut Up Sisters"), authors of the best-selling book, *Shut Up About Your Perfect Kid*, openly discuss the joys and challenges of raising "imperfect" kids on a perfection-preoccupied planet. The sisters will showcase their imperfect pride with hilarious anecdotes and funny bragging bumper magnets.

The workshop is for ALL parents to come together and celebrate the joys and imperfections of ALL children. This event is sponsored by the Triton SEPAC and is open to the public.

WORKSHOP:

Let's Get Organized!

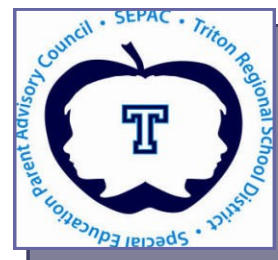
Monday, May 18th, 7-8:30 pm Triton High School Library

Do you wish you had a way to keep track of your child's IEPs, evaluations, progress reports, doctor reports, test results, and more? In this workshop from Family Ties of Massachusetts, we will offer effective ways for parents to organize and manage paperwork, building a customized binder for your child - plus general ideas on "keeping it together" and tips for developing community connections for your child.

RSVP by May 11th to SEPACtriton@gmail.com to reserve materials.

About the SEPAC

The Triton Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) is a group of community members whose mission is to work for understanding of, respect for, and support of all children with special needs in the community. Contact us at sepactriton@gmail.com. We maintain an email list to share relevant events and news; email us to join the list.



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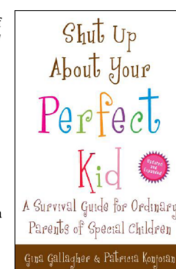
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Thursday, May 7

7 pm

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112 Elm Street, Byfield, MA

Open to the public



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My kid WAS a student
this month!™

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Date: Monday May 18th, 2015
Time: 7:00-8:30 pm
Place: Triton High School, 112 Elm St, Byfield
RSVP: SEPACtriton@gmail.com

Hosted By:

Triton Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC)

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUESTED
BY May 11, 2015 in order to assure ample supplies are available.

Family TIES of Massachusetts is a project of the Federation for Children with Special Needs, funded by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Family and Community Health, Division for Perinatal, Early Childhood & Special Health Needs.



Newbury Town Library CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS:

Week of April 12th & April Vacation Week

Want to hear more about what's happening at the library? Sign up for the monthly eNewsletter here: newburylibrary.org/youth

Laughs & Crafts (new time!): MASON JAR LUMINARIES (grades 4-8)

In this Laughs & Crafts session, we will be making beautiful mason jar luminaries out of mason jars, glass beads, and battery-operated tea lights. These will make a perfect gift, or a great decoration for the home! We will meet in the small meeting room in the Children's section of the library. Class is limited to 12 participants, so register early to save your space. Registration is required - [click here to register on our online calendar](#).

TOTO THE TORNADO KITTEN VISITS THE NEWBURY LIBRARY!

Wednesday, April 22 at 11am

Jonathan Hall and Toto the Tornado Kitten are travelling to the Newbury Town Library to read Jonathan's true story books of how Toto was found and rescued after the 2011 tornadoes in the Brimfield, MA areas of Western Massachusetts. Children will have the opportunity to provide Toto with soft and gentle pats after the story. [Register here](#), on our online calendar. For more info, check out their website! <http://www.totothetornadokitten.com/>

K'NEX WORKSHOP (Ages 7-10)

Friday, April 24th at 11am

Are you familiar with the K'Nex systems?

Similar to LEGOs, they offer children the opportunity to design and create....whatever!

Newbury Town Library has received a donation of K'Nex system pieces and is inviting budding builders to explore their possibilities! Space is available for 8 children ([Click to register](#) - registration required).

DO-DROP-IN PLAYTIME SESSIONS (Ages 0-4, siblings welcome)

Every Wednesday morning from 10:30am-12pm - Do drop in on Wednesday mornings for some playtime in the big room. We'll have all our toys pulled out, ready for some serious playtime! No registration required. ** Please note, during April vacation we are rescheduling Do Drops to Friday, April 24th at 10:30am. This is because Toto the Tornado Kitten will be making a visit to the Newbury Library on Wednesday, April 22 at 11am! Hope to see you at both events!*

Read to a DOG: Reading Sessions with Blu (Grades 2-6)

Saturday, April 25th - A dog in the library? Yes! Welcome to Blu, a black lab therapy dog who needs some doggie down time. Children can sign up for a 10 minute session to read to Blu in a comfy section of the library. The ages of the readers can vary - if your child wants to flip through a picture book and tell Blu about it, that is just fine! It's great for Blu, who gets some snuggle time, and great for the children who get to practice their oratory skills with a very special pup. There will be 3 spots available on each Saturday Blu is here: 10:15, 10:30, & 10:45. [Click to register](#) your spot [registration required].

	<p>Hours</p> <p>12pm - 7pm Tuesday & Thursday 10am - 5pm Wednesday & Friday 10am - 2pm Saturday (Sept. - May)</p>	
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April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 PARCC/ELA Grades 4 and 5	31 PARCC/Math Grades 3, 4, and 5	1 PARCC/Math Grades 3 and 6 4:15 School Council 6-8 SEPAC Meeting	2 PARCC/Math Grades 4, 5, and 6	3 Half Day – Good Friday PARCC Make Up Day	4
5	6	7 7:30 am Student Council	8 7:00 pm School Com- mittee Meeting	9	10 Half Day – Professional Develop- ment	11
12	13 Book Fair	14 Book Fair Math Meet – Gr. 5 & 6	15 Book Fair	16 Book Fair Second Grade Ancestry Day 4:00-7:00PM/Book Fair Family Night	17 Book Fair	18
19	20 Spring Vacation	21 Spring Vacation	22 Spring Vacation	23 Spring Vacation	24 Spring Vacation	25
26	27	28 7:30 am Student Council	29	30 3:15 Technology Committee Meeting		

Pedaling for Focus and Learning

Did you know?



[Mrs. Williams's Supplies](#) project at [Newbury Elementary School](#) in [Newbury, MA](#)

My Students: "Education is a social process; education is growth; education is not preparation for life but is life itself."

— John Dewey

I have the most wonderful class! They are energetic, eager learners. They are smart and want to learn. It has been a long, long winter in Massachusetts. My active third graders have had little opportunity to run around and play. We take motor breaks, do energizers, dance, and sometimes even go to the gym for a jog or a game. Indoor recess has taken its toll on students' focus, well-being, and physical stamina.

My Project: Exercise and physical activity are proven to support brain function and focus. They can also improve mood and mental outlook. For many children movement should be more than just a break, but almost a constant. Pedals in the classroom will allow all students to have a turn at building muscular strength while conducting their usual classroom activities.

These pedal exercisers will be shared with the entire third grade. This will give approximately 75 students the opportunity to benefit from the purchase. Students who are working on a test, typing up a piece of writing, or simply reading a book will be able to incorporate movement in a meaningful way throughout their day.

My students need 5 pedal exercisers to help them focus on their schoolwork and to help them build muscular stamina.