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Ms. Winter



This edition of the Newbury NEWT-paper is dedicated to Pam Winter. NES has been fortunate to have Ms. Winter as a classroom teacher for 36 years. Her dedication to the students and families of NES has been a treasure.

Please join us in wishing Ms. Winter a relaxing and adventurous retirement. We hope she enjoys her time with her family and friends. Her smiling face and positive attitude will be missed by all.

Thank you, Ms. Winter for your years at NES and your devotion to the entire NES community!

Thank you...

We would like to thank the NES community for welcoming us to NES with open arms. You quickly made us feel welcome and we are fortunate to be part of such a dynamic community. It has been a wonderful year!

We wish you a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing you again in the fall.

Regards,

Beth Yando and Amy Pasquarello

NES Field Day

Field Day started off with some extra excitement as Ms. Yando rewarded NES for the results of the Penny Challenge. As promised, Ms. Yando would do something memorable if the students of NES raised over \$1,000 in the Penny Challenge. As a memorable event, Ms. Yando kissed a pig before the Field Day events began.

The rest of Field Day went off with just as much excitement. Thank you to Anna Molesso for organizing such a fabulous day and to all of the parent volunteers who helped make the day such a success!

Newbury NEWT-paper Update...

This is the last edition of the 2013-2014 Newbury NEWT-paper. Have a relaxing and rejuvenating summer vacation!



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Summer Reading...

Newbury Elementary School Library Media Center
2014 Summer Reading List



This list was developed to encourage reading during the summer months. Students should make reading selections that are "just right" for them. Below is a list of suggested titles for different reading levels and interests. **Any title** by the authors listed below will be an excellent choice. Reading links on the NES Library website (www.neslibrary.weebly.com) will also offer additional reading suggestions. Please check with your public library for titles on the summer reading list and others of interest. Happy Reading and Happy Summer! ~ Mrs. Brown ©

Dive into a Great Book ~ READ this summer!

Picture Books

Barnett, Mac
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Bingham, Kelly
Brett, Jan
Brown, Peter
Buzzeo, Toni
Daywalk, Drew
DePaola, Tomi
DiCamillo, Kate
Fleming, Candace
Fogliano, Julie
Haughton, Chris
Holub, Joan
Joyce, William
Keller, Laurie
Klassen, Jon
Lies, Brian
McCluskey, Robert
Moore, Eva
Rosenthal, Amy
Rocco, John
Shaw, Nancy
Stevens, Janet
Seeger, Laura
Talbot, Hudson
Thomas, Jan
Willems, Mo
Woodson, Jacqueline
Yolen, Jane

Extra Yarn
Chloe and the Lion
Z is for Moose
Mossy
Mr. Tiger Goes Wild
One Cool Friend
The Day the Crayons Quit
Strega Nona series
Bink and Gollie
Oh no!
If You Want to See a Whale
Oh no, George!
Little Red Writing
Dinosaur Bob
Scrambled States of America
This is Not My Hat
Bats at the Beach
Make Way for Ducklings
Lucky Ducklings
Exclamation Mark
Blackout
Sheep in a Jeep
Tops and Bottoms
Dog and Bear books
It's All About Me-ow
The Doghouse
Let's go for a Drive
Each Kindness
How Do Dinosaurs series

Early Reader Chapter Books

Barrows, Annie
Barshaw, Ruth
Bell, Cece
Cooper, Susan
Cronin, Doreen
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Di Camillo, Kate
Greenburg, J.C.
Grimes, Nikki
Haddix, Margaret
Holub, Joan
Leguin, Ursula
Lowry, Lois
McMullan, Kate
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
Nelson, Jessie
Nolan, Lucy
Pennypacker, Sara
Pinkwater, Daniel
Rylant, Cynthia
Scieszka, Jon
Vorst, Cynthia

Ivy and Bean
Ellie McDoodle
Rabbit and Robot and the sleepover
The Magician's Boy
The Trouble with Chickens
The Legend of Diamond
Mercy Watson
Andrew Lost
Dyamonde Daniel
Say What?
Heroes in Training series
Catwings
Gooney Bird Green
Dragon Slayer's Academy
Roxie and the Hooligans
Labracadabra
Down Girl and Sit series
Clementine
Mrs. Noodlekugel
High Rise Private Eyes
Time Warp Trio
Lulu and the Brontosaurus



Graphic Novel

Brigman, Eleanor
Camuso, Frank
Davis, Eleanor
Hale, Dean
Holm, Jennifer
Holm, Jennifer

Black Beauty: The Graphic Novel
Knights of the Lunch Table
The Secret Science Alliance
Rapunzel's Revenge
Babymouse
Squish

Krosoczka, Jarrett
Peirce, Lincoln
Petersen, David
Pilky, Dav
Various
Vernon, Ursula

Lunch Lady
Big Nate
Mouse Guard
Ricky Ricotta
Nursery Rhyme Comics
Dragonbreath



Nonfiction

Aldrin, Buzz Bishop, Nic Bryant, Megan	Reaching for the Moon Snakes Oh My Gods: A Look Up Guide to The Gods of Greek Mythology Island: a story of the Galapagos Math is CATegorical A Black Hole is Not a Hole The Story of Buildings Barnum's Bones Amelia Lost Locomotive Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass Open Wide: a look inside animal mouths Super Nature Encyclopedia The Boy Who Loved Math: The Improbable Life of Paul Erdos	Herman, Gail Hopkinson, Deborah Jenkins, Steve	Who Was Jackie Robinson? (Who Was/Is Biography series) Titanic: Voices from the Disaster Prehistoric Actual Size The Beetle Book The Animal Book If You Were a Chocolate Mustache Basketball Belles Mighty Mars Rovers Everything On It Extreme Earth Records Extreme Oceans Scaly Spotted Feathered Frilled Dolphins of Shark Bay (Any Scientists in the Field series) Queen of the Falls
Chin, Jason Cleary, Brian Decristofano, Carolyn Dillon, Patrick Fern, Tracey Fleming, Candace Flocia, Brian Freedman, Russell Han, Catherine Harvey, Derek Heiligman, Deborah		Lewis, J. Patrick Macy, Sue Rusch, Elizabeth Silverstein, Shel Simon, Seymour Timmes, Catherine Turner, Pamela Van Allsburg, Chris	

Novels

Applegate, Katherine Applet, Kathi Baur, Joan Birney, Betty Bumett, F. H. Colfer, Eoin Creech, Sharon Creech, Sharon DiCamillo, Kate Draper, Sharon Flores-Gabis, Enrique Gaiman, Neil Goldberg, Holly Grabenstein, Chris Greenwald, T.	The One and Only Ivan True Blue Scouts of Sugar Man Swamp Almost Home Summer According to Humphrey The Secret Garden Artemis Fowl series The Great Unexpected The Boy on the Porch Flora and Ulysses Out of My Mind 90 Miles to Havana Fortunately, the Milk Counting by 7's Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading	Jacobson, Jennifer Kadohata, Cynthia Kirby, Matthew Korman, Gordon Lai, Thanhha Meloy, Colin Palacio, RJ Peck, Robert Pyrone, Bobbie Ryan, Pam Munoz Selden George Smith, Roland Spinelli, Jerry Stead, Rebecca Stewart, Trenton Turnage, Shelia Vanderpool, Clare Weeks, Sarah Wilson, N.D.	Small as an Elephant The Thing About Luck Clockwork Three Ungifted Inside Out and Back Again Wildwood Wonder Mouse with the Question Mark Tail Dogs Way Home Esperanza Rising Cricket in Times Square Peak Jack and Lily When You Reach Me The Mysterious Benedict Society Three Times Lucky Navigating Early Pie One Hundred Cupboards
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4th, 5th, and 6th Graders: The Massachusetts Children's Book Award list for the 2014-15 school year is available at <http://www.salemstate.edu/mcba/>. You can start reading titles from the list now to meet the 5 book minimum and participate in the NES vote!

More Reading Inspiration:

- Visit your public library!! The Newbury Town Library webpage will provide information about the Summer Reading Program, **Fizz, Boom, Read!** <http://newburylibrary.org/youth-summer-reading/>
- Kidsread : <http://www.kidsreads.com> A website that includes reviews of books and author interviews
- Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge <http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2014>
Find reading ideas and reading lists here. Add your summer reading minutes to help set a new reading world record for Summer 2014! Track your minutes and link them to NES to add to the school's reading minutes.

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In the article *Why Summer Reading Pays off Year Round* by www.ed.gov, they give the following reasons to promote summer reading in your home...

The best ways to keep your child from becoming a "rusty reader" over the summer are:

- Encourage your children to read books they enjoy for at least 30 minutes per day. Your child will likely be more engaged in material they choose themselves than material that is forced on them.
- Provide incentives for reluctant readers. For example, if your child enjoys basketball, agree to take them to the local court if they do their "daily reading."
- Make reading a social act. Establish a time during the day when all members of the family gather and read on their own, or take turns reading the same book aloud.
- Connect your reading to family outings. If you take your kids to an aquarium, consider reading a book about fish or the ocean with them later that day. The outing can help place the reading into a broader context.



Summer vacation...

Thursday, June 19th is the last day of school. Students will be dismissed at 11:40am. Have a wonderful summer vacation!

"Tell me and I'll forget;
show me and I may remember;
involve me and I'll understand."
-Chinese proverb

PTA News...

What a year!

I am quite proud of all that the PTA has accomplished this school year. We had a great partnership with the administration, teachers, and staff. You have worked alongside us to support our efforts to support NES. I also owe great thanks to our board members: Heather DePaolo, Renée Toth, Emily Abt, Elise Carner, Joyce Bokuniewicz, Alexa Strauch, and Hilary Lind. Supported by outstanding volunteers, together we have done some great things while supporting NES.

I greatly appreciate Hilary Lind for serving as our treasurer for the last three years. She has handled all the finances, which is a big job. Hilary will stay involved in the PTA as the chair of the winter party plus some other projects. We are excited to have Alexa Strauch take over as treasurer and to have Abigail Boughton join us as secretary.

I look forward to the next school year.

Thank you,

Elaina Sayles

NES PTA President

Looking Ahead: Fall Fundraiser Help Needed

We need a person to coordinate our fall fundraiser. We will work with Silver Graphics, www.silvergraphics.com, a company that transfers students' art work onto keepsakes. They have a reputation for being very easy to work with while raising money with products families actually want!

The responsibilities for the fundraiser coordinator are explained online and include the following:

- Create display case with items from the company
- Hang posters created by the company
- Distribute order forms and information from the company
- Collect money and artwork from Mrs. Merluzzi
- Mail paper orders to the company (they do the tally work)
- Coordinate the distribution during the week of 12/11

If you are interested in learning more or volunteering, please email newburyptainfo@gmail.com.

Walk-a-thon Success!

The PTA was greatly supported by our community for the annual Walk-a-thon. Thank you to our students for walking and being active, our volunteers for organizing and supervising, and for our sponsors who donated over \$4000 to be used to purchase Chromebook laptops for our school.

Fund the Annual Fund

The NES PTA Annual Fund allows NES community members and their families to make a tax-deductible donation each year to support key initiatives that aren't otherwise covered in the regular school budget.

Your donations can be targeted to specific areas like technology, enrichment activities, or other areas of your choice. In fact, we received a \$12,000 anonymous donation to enhance the Grades 1-6 playground. As a result, new swings will be added over the summer.

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email your information
to
apasquarello@trsd.net
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published.

PTA News Continued...

In addition to the anonymous \$12,000 donation, we've raised an additional \$5,000 to support next year's school activities.

Our goal is to raise another \$2,500 before the end of the year to support technology needs at our school.

Donating to the annual fund is easy:

Go to: www.newburypta.com/donate and enter "annual fund" in the message. Or, write a check payable to the NES PTA, place "annual fund" on the memo line, and return it to the PTA box in the school office.

Thank you in advance for your donations--they will help make our children's future even brighter at NES.

Questions? Please contact Belen Wieler Hawes, our Annual Fund Chair at belenwieler@gmail.com.

Health and Wellness Book Donation



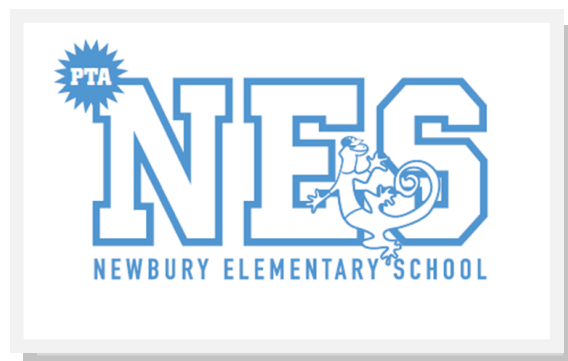
Thank you very much to the Massachusetts PTA and WGBH, who just sent us 38 new books for our health office library! There are books of interest to all grade levels on a variety of topics.

Here's some information about the grant that funded the book distribution:

WGBH is pleased to announce that the Krueger Charitable Foundation has renewed its support of WGBH's Massachusetts reading initiative with a grant to fund the Healthy Family, Healthy Reading Initiative. Through this grant, WGBH purchased and distributed approximately 14,000 books to children and families throughout the Commonwealth. Director of Media Engagement Mary Haggerty says, "In addition to promoting a love of reading, our work this summer will extend the impact of the new Arthur Family Health website by introducing kids to important issues in health and well-being through health-themed books and enrichment materials. We are thrilled to partner with the Massachusetts PTA, which will receive some 4,000 new children's books as part of this initiative."



Be on the lookout for our summer early bird PTA registration!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 4:30 School Council 6th Grade Meet & Greet	3	4 6:30/ "Storm Surge" Community Infor- mation Night	5 6-7:30pm 6th Grade Poetry Night	6 NES Walk-a-thon	7
8	9	10 NES Field Day 7am Student Council	11 10:00 Pre-K Show Step Up Day 7pm School Committee	12 Pre-K Shows 10am and 1:45pm	13 8:45-10:00 3Winter Author's Tea 1:30pm 2nd Grade Portfolio Share	14
15	16 Grade 4 Science Fair 1:45/Kindergarten graduation	17 9am Awards As- sembly 6:00 Grade 6 Graduation/ Recognition and Dance	18 6:30/ "Storm Surge" Community Infor- mation Night	19 Last Day of School Half Day Have a wonderful summer!	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Who's Who at Newbury Elementary School

Visit us on the web!

<http://newbury.trsd.net/>

The NES Graduating Class of 2014



The 2013-2014 sixth grade class at NES is filled with writers, mathematicians, scientists, historians, artists, musicians, athletes, actors, and so much more! Some have been at NES their entire school years so far and others joined us along the way. All have grown and gained independence through the years. They have bonded together as the graduating sixth grade class of NES and have made memories that will last a lifetime.

It has been a privilege to be part of their educational experience and their smiling faces will be missed in the hallways of NES.

We wish all of our 6th graders good luck in the future. Remember to follow C.A.R.E.S., respect others and yourself, treat others the way you want to be treated, and have fun!

**You have BRAINS in your HEAD.
You have FEET in your SHOES.
You can STEER yourself in any
DIRECTION you CHOOSE.
- Dr. Suess**