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All School Assembly: Veteran's Day



On Friday, NES remembered our veterans by having a Veteran's Day Assembly. We had the honor of having Triton Alum, Donald Jarvis. Mr. Jarvis served our country in both Iraq and Afghanistan. He was injured during his tour in Afghanistan and spent time in Germany and then Virginia for medical treatment. In 2012, Mr. Jarvis toured the White House and met President Obama.

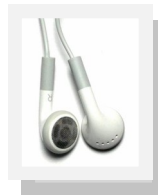
Mr. Jarvis now lives in Newbury and had Boston Marathon Duty in 2013. He has recently been discharged from the Massachusetts Army National Guard and shared his service dog with the NES community.

Please join us in thanking our many veterans on Monday.



Thank You Student Council!

A big thank you to the NES Student Council! They donated money to purchase ear buds for the entire student body. This will lower the chances of unwanted sharing. Each student now has their own pair of ear buds that are sealed in individual bags and will travel with the class to and from the computer labs.



Friendly Reminder...

When picking up your child in the moving pick up line...

- Pull your car forward.
- Do not park/idle in the crosswalks.
- Have your placard clearly visible.

Thank you for helping us have a safe and timely dismissal.



Lockdown Procedure...

As part of our safety routine, we will be practicing our lockdown procedure **the week of November 15th**. Students have gone over the procedure with their classroom teachers and will have an opportunity to practice the routine.



6th Graders Environmental Camp

We look forward to hearing all about the wonderful experience the 6th graders have had at Environmental Camp. A big thank you to all of the chaperones and parents who help make the week such a success! I am sure the students have learned a lot and have made memories that will last a lifetime.



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Celebrate - 10:00 a.m. to honor our veterans with a scout-hosted breakfast, family-friendly Veterans Day activities and fun at the Newbury Fire Hall on Morgan Avenue. (Deliver food at 9:30 a.m.) Scouts should wear uniform.

Gather - 10:50 a.m. and cross to High Road to the Newbury Upper Green.

Remember - 11 a.m. Remembrance Ceremony and laying of wreaths to honor our deceased Veterans

If you are contributing food to the community potluck breakfast hosted by the Newbury Girl Scouts, Cub Scout Pack 44, and Boy Scout Troop 44, please deliver to the Newbury Fire Hall at 9:30 a.m. If there are any questions, please contact Kathy Volpone at kmrlv@aol.com or 978-465-7865.



NES Afterschool Ski & Snowboard Program

ANNOUNCING....NES's FRIDAY AFTERSCHOOL SKI & SNOWBOARD PROGRAM.....Deadline for enrollment is November 12th.

The Newbury Elementary School Ski & Snowboard Program is open to students in grades 4, 5 and 6. Students travel by bus to Bradford Ski Area in Bradford, MA on six Friday afternoons from 3 - 6 pm beginning January 4. This program is coordinated by parent volunteers who monitor the buses, the lodge, and the slopes. The program will be limited to the first 70 students. **Bradford Ski Area's deadline for enrollment is Tuesday, November 12th.**

Students may purchase the lift only option or may take lessons. Lessons are available for beginners through advanced and class sizes are generally small. Beginners must take lessons. Rentals are also available from Bradford, although many local ski shops have rental packages for the season. Ski helmets are required for all NES participants. These may also be rented at the ski area.

Information about the program is provided on the attachments. *There are 4 forms included, please complete all forms and return all with payment to the NES main office no later than Tuesday, November 12th.* Please consider volunteering. Our students really enjoy this program!

"One's mind, once stretched by
a new idea, never regains its
original dimensions."

-Oliver Wendell Holmes

You can access the forms via the school website under Clubs & Organizations:
<http://newbury.trsd.net/?PageName='Organizations'>.



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Pre-School Update

The preschoolers just finished a theme on Hens. We learned all about their physical characteristics, where they live, what they eat and what they do. We also enjoyed reading the Little Red Hen and even acted out the story using props! The story gave us background information (schema) about how wheat is grown and how to make flour out of wheat. This will be valuable information as we journey on to our next theme entitled Bread.

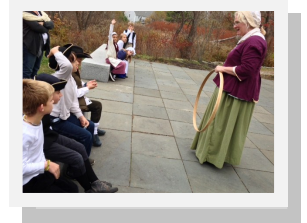
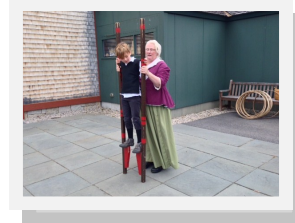


3rd Graders Spent the day in 1760

Third Graders have been studying colonial times and this week they visited the Old York Historical Society.

Students:

- Baked molasses cookies over the hearth and learned where in the world all the ingredients came from and how colonial people needed to grow or trade food.
- Attended the schoolhouse and learned how students studied "readin, ritin, rithmetic, and religion" - the 4 Rs, and about school life. They learned that school life was cold, one room, and students walked many miles to get there.
- Played colonial games with ball and cup, hoop and stick, and stilts. They learned where colonial kids would get their games. The games were homemade from materials collected from the yard and ship building materials.
- Learned about textiles. They carded wool and used a drop spindle to make yarn. Students learned how colonial clothes were made and where the materials came from.



Thanksgiving Meals

Together to Gather

NES Student Council presents the 4th annual Together to Gather. We will work to gather food to provide Thanksgiving meals to the Pettengill House, the Senior Center, and the Byfield Parish Food Pantry. If you would like to make a donation to help purchase turkeys, please send in and give to your child's teacher. In addition, we are seeking donations of the following items to fill the baskets:

Grade Level Quantity Item

Pre-School: 1 can of fruit, 1 can of pea's

Kindergarten: 2 cake mixes per child

First Grade: 2 boxes/bags of stuffing per child

Second Grade: 2 boxes of instant potatoes per child

Third Grade: 2 containers of frosting

Fourth Grade: 1 can of corn, 1 can of fruit

Fifth Grade: 2 cans of cranberry sauce per child

Sixth Grade: 2 cans/jars of turkey gravy per child

Please have your food donations in by **Wednesday, November 13th**. Send all cash donations in an envelope marked Michelle Walsh and give it to your child's teacher. We will be meeting on Thursday, November 14th to decorate and fill the baskets in the NES cafeteria from 3:00 pm to 4:15 pm. Anyone interested in helping fill the baskets can contact Charlie Labella @ clabella@trsd.net. **You must have a signed permission slip.** If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Walsh @ mwalsh9@msn.com.

The Pettengill House could also use the following items:
Cereal, Juice, Juice Boxes, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Rice & Pasta Sides, Canned Meats, (Tuna & Chicken), Macaroni & Cheese, Boxed Pasta & Pasta Sauce, Canned Soups/ Beef Stew, Canned Veggies & Fruit, Canned Pasta (Spaghetti O's & Ravioli's), Shelf-Stable Milk (Parmalat)

Thank you,
The NES Student Council and Michelle Walsh



PTA News...

Don't forget the Flatbread Fundraiser!

Join with our school community for a great fundraising dinner at Flatbread in Hampton, NH, on Tuesday, November 12, 5-9 pm. A portion of the sale of each pizza will benefit our PTA. There will also be a raffle for some fun experiences, gift certificates, and stuffies. Come join us--or order takeout!

The Book Fair is coming!

We invite you to visit our Scholastic Book Fair and experience a cool place to discover hot books! The Book Fair provides families the opportunity to get involved in a universal mission: *encouraging kids to read every day so they can lead better lives.*

Students will visit the Book Fair with their classes during their regular library class time. If your child would like to make purchases, send cash or a check made payable to NES PTA. Families are invited to visit the Book Fair whenever is convenient for them.

Book Fair Dates: Tuesday, Nov. 12th to Friday, Nov. 15th

Shopping Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 8:10 am - 4:00 pm
Friday 8:10 am - 3:00 pm

Family night: Wednesday, Nov. 13 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm

If you cannot attend the Book Fair, but want to make purchases, please see our online Book Fair Nov. 7-21 at:

<http://www.scholastic.com/fair>. The Book Fair profits benefit the NES Library and allow new books and materials to be purchased throughout the year.

Volunteers Needed for the Book Fair

Helping at the Book Fair is the favorite volunteer activity of many parents. Please consider working a shift or two and help students make book selections and check out. You will be trained at the beginning of your shift.

Please sign up to volunteer at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E48A5A72CA46-fall>

If you have any questions regarding volunteering, please contact Emily Abt at emilyabt72@gmail.com.

Nov. 19 Workshop is Coming

The much-anticipated presentation, "Executive Function in Elementary School Students", by Sarah Ward is approaching quickly. Join us on Tuesday, Nov. 19, 7-9 pm in the auditorium to learn great ways to coach your students as they become more independent.

Our own speech and language pathologist, Daryl Kwiatkowski, suggests you attend. "Sarah Ward provides effective, easy-to-use strategies to use with students--in school and at home--that will foster their development of executive function skills. Parents and teachers will learn how to help students organize and plan their work, as well as

manage their time more efficiently." Mrs. Kwiatkowski says, "As a Speech/Language Pathologist and parent, I began using the tools she gave me right away--at home and at school. She is so knowledgeable and is an incredibly dynamic speaker!"

RSVPs aren't necessary, but are helpful to ensure we have enough handouts. Please email newburyPTAinfo@gmail.com.

Last Call for Mixed Bags!

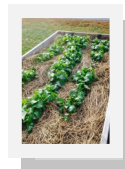
While the official deadline for the Mixed Bags fundraiser has past, the company is allowing us to enter orders for a couple of more days.

Annual Fund Success!

The Annual Fund continues to receive donations from community members. Thank you for supporting our PTA as we support the school! Please see the flyer for more information.

Cold Weather Crops Continue to Grow

It may be November, but the school gardens are still growing! The cold-weather crops of snow peas and broccolini are maturing toward harvest. Unfortunately, the carrots will not be ready for Thanksgiving. Cold-frames are going to be tried out to see if we can harvest some crops all year long.

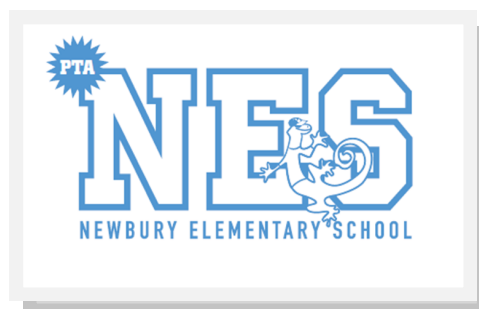


Buy your Patriots Drawing Tickets

The Bruins drawing ended, but there's still time to buy your chances for four tickets to see the New England Patriots play against the Buffalo Bills on December 29th at 1 pm. And, as if just going to the game and sitting in section 133 with admission to The Hall at Patriot Place isn't enough, stay tuned to learn what bonuses are about to be added to this package.

Chances for the drawing are \$50 each, but only 100 will be sold. Purchase your chances at: <https://www-nespta.ticketbud.com/sportspackage>

Many thanks go out to third grader Aidan Kennedy for generously donating this package.



PTA News Continued...



The NES PTA Annual Fund Update (Nov. 2013)

Thanks For Giving

The NES PTA Annual Fund is off to a great start. In just 3 three weeks, we've reached 15% of our annual goal thanks to the generous donations we've received from so many of you. Thanks for your support!

More Donations are Needed

We still have a long way to go to reach our goal. With the holidays rapidly approaching, now is the perfect time to reach out to friends and family members and ask them to consider making a donation to the Annual Fund. Supporting your child's educational experience will be one of the best gifts they can give you and it's tax deductible!

Why People are Giving

Bob and Alice Hawes are grandparents to NES 5th grader Aidan Hawes. As former educators, they donated to the Annual Fund because they "are continually impressed with the amount of enrichment activities and events the NES PTA offer. While several of our grandchildren attended private schools, we feel that the breadth of services Aidan receives at Newbury Elementary School are comparable and top notch and that's something to be proud of in this day and age".

Donating is Easy:

Donate Online:

Go to newburypta.com/donate, select your donation amount, and enter "annual fund" in the comment box.

Donate by Check:

Write a check payable to the NES PTA, place "annual fund" in the memo line, and return to the PTA Treasurer in the school office.

Request a Company Match

Contact your company's HR department to see if they offer a company match and complete the paperwork. It's an easy way to get more for your money and to double the amount of your Annual Fund contribution.



The PTA is off to a great start in 2013. Annual Fund donations fuel our ability to deliver enrichment activities & events.

Recent PTA Successes include:

- Each student and staff member received a new t-shirt debuting the new NES Logo to support school pride.
- Our outdoor grounds committee harvest and served vegetables from new gardens to all students and planted over 500 new bulbs to support environmental learning.
- We launched a new PTA website www.newburypta.com to keep you up to date on what we're doing and upcoming events.
- We helped fund 6th grade Environmental Camp.
- We've run several fundraisers to support future PTA and School events.
- We supported Triton Haunted.
- We hosted the annual NES Halloween Party.
- We're running the upcoming November Bookfair and "Executive Functioning Strategies for Elementary Students" session on November 19th.

**Donate now at
www.newburypta.com/donate**



NES Calendar

November 2013

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 HALF DAY | 2 |
| 3 | 4 6th Grade Camp— drop off by 8:00 am 4:30 School Council | 5 6th Grade Camp 7:30 am Student Council | 6 6th Grade Camp | 7 6th Grade Camp Grade 3— Old York | 8 6th Grade Camp— pick up between 1:45-2:00 pm Grade 3 - Old York Veteran's Day Assembly | 9 |
| 10 | 11 Schools Closed: Veteran's Day | 12 Book Fair 5-9pm Flatbread Fundraiser | 13 Book Fair 4-7:30 pm Family Book Fair 7:00pm School Committee Meeting | 14 Book Fair | 15 Book Fair | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 7:30 am Student Council 7pm Educational Speaker Sarah Ward | 20 Picture Retakes 9-1 | 21 NES Technology Committee Meeting 3:15-4:15 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 HALF DAY | 28 Schools Closed: Holiday | 29 Schools Closed: Vacation | 30 |

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Who's Who at Newbury Elementary School

NES Speech and Language Team



Ms. Kwiatkowski and Ms. Gundrum

Ms. Kwiatkowski has lived in Byfield since 1997 with her husband and two kids - David and Lauren, and two dogs - Penni and Dutch. She grew up in New Jersey. She has been the speech/language pathologist at NES for 8 years. She became a speech/language pathologist 22 years ago because she was interested in learning sign language and wanted to work with kids.

Ms. Kwiatkowski's hobbies are reading, going for hikes, watching her daughter compete in gymnastics, and watching her son play drums for the Triton High School marching band.

Ms. Gundrum is a Triton graduate and has worked as a speech and

language pathologist for 18 years. She has lived and worked in North Carolina and Colorado prior to settling back in in Rowley in 2001. She is married with two boys in elementary school and has a very cute Boston Terrier named Beans.

Ms. Gundrum loves helping children communicate as an SLP at NES. She also loves to be outdoors enjoying hiking and camping.

Ms. Kwiatkowski and Ms. Gundrum will be attending the American Speech and Hearing Association National Conference in Chicago next week where they will have opportunities to hear the latest evidence-based research and gain new skills and resources to advance their skills!



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