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NES Halloween Parade

The annual NES Halloween Parade will take place on October 31st from 1:30-2:30. A short classroom party will take place with *healthy snacks* in accordance to our Health and Wellness policy. Please also be mindful of any food restrictions in individual classrooms.



Students should bring their costumes to school in a bag and will change into their costumes at school. Costumes should fit over students regular clothes and must be appropriate for school. Any costume that is deemed inappropriate, will be asked to be removed. No blood, gore, or weapons please! Students may wear masks, but they must be appropriate.

Students will be dismissed at the normal time. We are asking for your assistance to make this year's parade safe and fun for all.



Trash Tower

The Trash Tower is being installed by students from Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School.



Thank you!

Thank you to Newburyport Five Cents Savings Bank for their donation for supplemental food fund. This summer and spring they had a table at the Newburyport Farmers' Market for their **Feed Local. Support Local. Bank Local** campaign. It was the second market season running the program, and it was a great success!



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From the Health Office...

The Health Office is looking for donations of: elastic waist leggings, sweat pants for boys and girls, size 4 to 12 to provide students who need to change clothing during the day. Thank you for considering a donation!



No School on Columbus Day

There will be no school on Monday, October 13th in honor of Columbus Day. Enjoy the long weekend!

Third Grade News

Third Grade is off to a great start! We have been practicing the routines of school and spending some time getting to know each other through morning meetings and a variety of getting to know you games and activities.

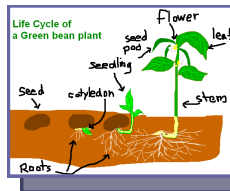
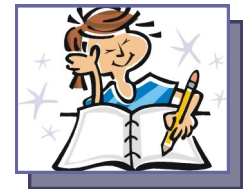
In Math: We are working hard on fluency of addition and subtraction facts. Students are practicing adding and subtracting large numbers in isolation, in story problems and through math games like "Close to 100." We are also working with place value using base ten blocks. Our upcoming focus will be rounding to the tens and hundreds places and on using estimation skills.

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In Reading: Teachers have recently completed the first round of reading assessments. These results will guide us in our planning of whole-class lessons and small group guided reading. Our first reading focus is on Metacognition or "Reading is Thinking." We are practicing the routines of independent reading, guided reading and fluency groups. Our current Foundations Unit has a focus on the rules of adding suffixes.

In Writing: We have kicked off the year with Empowering Writers. Students are learning about the different genres of writing that will be our third grade focus. These include: Narrative, Expository and Persuasive/Opinion writing.



In Science: Third Graders are learning about the life cycle of plants! Students will be participating in a variety of hands-on lessons including: dissecting a seed, planting and monitoring a pea or bean plant, and designing their own life cycle diagram.

In Social Studies: Students are learning about the great state of Massachusetts. They have learned all about the symbols of the state, and are now learning the state song and all about the natural resources, wildlife, and landmarks in different parts of Massachusetts. Our next unit will have an historical focus on early native people, and the landing of the Mayflower.



The NES Newt -paper is published by Amy Pasquarello on a weekly basis. If you would like to submit something to be included in the NES Newt-paper, please email your information to apasquarello@trsd.net by the Wednesday before the newsletter is published.

NEWBURY TOWN LIBRARY YOUTH PROGRAMS - OCTOBER 2014

Oct. 18th from 10am - 2pm: HARVEST FESTIVAL hosted by the Friends of the Newbury Library!

SPOOKY SHADOW PUPPET SHOW with Nappy's Puppets during the Harvest Festival!

Saturday, October 18th at 11am - Join us for a great, big, AWESOME and spooooooooky shadow puppet performance by Jim Napolitano of Nappy's Puppets. Jim's shadow puppet shows combine art, storytelling, and puppetry for all ages. In addition to the show, Jim will give a demonstration on how children can experiment with shadows. You can register on our online calendar on newburylibrary.org.

"The best way to predict the future is to create it."

-Abraham Lincoln



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.

Storytimes (Ages 2-5, siblings welcome)

Fridays at 11am (Oct. 3rd, 10th, 17th) - Thematic story time continues in October with songs and craft just for our little ones. Please register on our online calendar found at newburylibrary.org. Space is limited.

Sprouting Melodies (Ages 18mos - age 3)

Thursday, Oct. 9th at 1pm: In this music program, toddlers enjoy the routine they crave yet also the freedom and creativity to grow in self-expression and to build social relationships with their peers in music through instrument play, movement and singing. Please register on our online calendar found at newburylibrary.org. Space is limited.

Oct. 5th, Friday NES Half-Day Movie Showing: BEARS

(Children under age 10 must be accompanied by an adult)

We will be showing movies on Newbury Elementary School's half-days (professional days) at 1pm. Popcorn will be served. Please register on our online calendar found at newburylibrary.org. Space is limited.

Bears will be the theme around here, please bear with us (sorry, couldn't help myself!) - We will have lots of books on bears available and there is even a Bear Cam on our website for you to look at! Check it out (scroll down the page a bit) at <http://newburylibrary.org/youth/>

Harvest Festival

WHAT: Friends of the Newbury Town Library Harvest Festival

WHEN: Saturday, October 18th, 10AM-2PM

WHERE: Newbury Town Library, 0 Lunt Street, Newbury, MA

Contact: friendsofnewburytownlibrary@gmail.com

The Friends of the Newbury Town Library Harvest Festival fundraiser is coming up. Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 18th, from 10AM-2PM. We are going to have a lot going on for the whole family.



CHILI COOK OFF: We are looking for a few good chili chefs! Mix up your best, your spiciest, your tastiest chili and sign up for the cook off. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will receive a restaurant giftcertificate: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b49a5af23aa8-friends>

BAKE SALE: We have a lot of wonderful bakers in town. Please bake your finest and donate it to us on either Friday, October 17th or the morning of Saturday, October 18th for our bake sale. Sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b49a5af23aa8-friends>

BOOK SALE: Our bookstore has been so successful that we are going to hold a sale in and around the bookstore space. We will special deals and slashed prices on the day of the Harvest Fest. If you are interested in volunteering to help out with the book sale, please sign up here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050b49a5af23aa8-friends>

PUMPKIN DECORATING: There will be pumpkins and supplies for the kids in the Youth Services area so that they can decorate a pumpkin and take it home with them.

SHADOW PUPPET SHOW: Miss Erin is bringing in a special shadow puppet show for the day of the Harvest Fest. It's going to be super fun for children of all ages!

PTA News...

PTA Meeting on Thursday Night

The PTA will hold its first general meeting on Thursday, Oct. 16th, 7-8:30 pm in the school library. There will be a discussion about upcoming events and programs, plus a presentation by District Technology Coordinator, Deb Jones. All are welcome. Child care reservations for students in kindergarten and older can be made by emailing newburypta-info@gmail.com.

PTA Halloween Party

Friday, Oct. 24th, 5:30-7:30 pm

Join us for spooktacular fun: games, crafts and dancing! Costumes are encouraged but not necessary.

Pizza, popcorn, and baked goods will be available for purchase.

The Kid's Club room will be open as a quiet sanctuary for those of us who benefit from a break or prefer a calm party atmosphere.

All children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. Free admission.



Halloween Party Volunteers Needed

Our parties are great fun because of all of our volunteers! We need help with setting up, decorating, staffing, donations of baked goods, and cleanup. Please visit www.newburypta.com/volunteer to sign up or email newburypta-info@gmail.com. All volunteers must have a completed CORI form on file with the school. Please check with Elaine Fecteau in the school office to verify your status.

Thanks, Institution for Savings

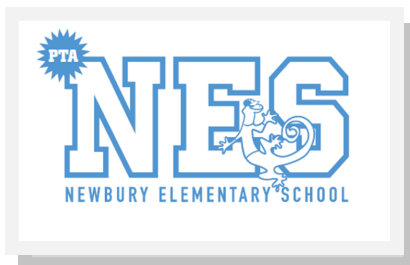
Our PTA was the beneficiary of the Coins for a C.A.U.S.E. program at the Institute for Savings in August. We received \$1,103.84, which is 100 percent of the fees collected in the bank's coin counting machines at area branches. We appreciate this support!

Shop at Amazon?

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support the school every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the same shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to our PTA. When you sign in the first time, you just need to select Newbury PTA.

Art fundraiser ordering Starts Oct. 29th

The final touches on students' artwork were made and sent to SilverGraphics today. Starting on Oct. 29th you can order the artwork on a variety of keepsakes. Orders will be in before the holidays. This fundraiser benefits the grant funds that bring materials and experiences to our classrooms.





October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29 7:00pm Play-ground Design Meeting	30 6:30 pm Instrumental Information Night	1 Individual Student Pictures 4:30 School Council 6:30 Storm Surge Mtg.	2 Individual Student Pictures	3 Half Day	4
5	6 5:00-6:30 PM/TWS Costume Sale	7 6:00 pm 6th Grade Parent Meeting – Environmental Camp	8 7:00 pm School Committee	9 5:00-6:30 PM/TWS Costume Sale	10	11
12	13 No School – Columbus Day	14 7:30 am Student Council	15	16 3:15 Technology Committee Meeting 7:00/PTA Meeting	17	18
19	20	21 7:00 pm Town Meeting	22 7:00 pm School Committee	23	24 5:30-7:30 pm PTA Halloween Party	25
26	27	28 7:30 am Student Council	29	30	31 1:30-2:30 pm Halloween Parade	

Health and Wellness at NES

As we move into a time of year with various classroom celebrations, it is a nice time to review the Triton Health and Wellness Policy. Below, please find the purpose of the policy as well as the guidelines for foods and beverages served at school. Thank you for your adherence to this policy to ensure the well being of all of our students.

Purpose: The Triton Regional School District (TRSD) is committed to promoting health and wellness for the students and staff within the school community. TRSD supports guidelines for nutrition education, physical activity, food and beverages sold and served within our schools, and the establishment of a District Wellness Advisory Committee (WAC).

Guidelines for Foods and Beverages Served

- At the elementary level all parties and celebrations should include only healthy foods and snacks.
- At the secondary level, particularly at the middle school, food free parties and celebrations should be strongly encouraged and promoted.

Did you know?

- Food as a reward in all classrooms is strongly discouraged.
- The use of food within the curriculum or for special school events must be approved by the building Principal and school nurse, and only when it has been determined that other instructional tools and accommodations cannot be substituted.
- School-based marketing will be consistent with nutrition education and health promotion. As such, schools will limit food and beverage marketing to the promotion of foods and beverages that meet the nutrition standards for meals or for foods and beverages sold individually (below).
- School-based marketing of brands promoting predominantly low-nutrition foods and beverages is prohibited. The promotion of healthy foods, including fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products is encouraged.

