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As you are likely aware, the United States has been experiencing a nationwide outbreak of enterovirus D68 (EV-D68) associated with severe respiratory illness that has been especially harmful to children. To address both public health concerns, the U.S. Department of Education and our federal health partners have a number of informational resources to share with you.

Below are CDC resources about EV-D68 developed for parents:

- Web Feature, "What Parents Need to Know About Enterovirus D68"
- <u>Drop-in newsletter article (matte article)</u>, "Parents: Learn the Facts about Enterovirus D68"
 - Fact sheet for parents, "What Parents Need to Know about Enterovirus D68"
- General questions and answers for the public
- Infographic: Keep Your Child from Getting and Spreading Enterovirus D68

More information can be found on the Triton Blog: http://www.trsd.net/blog/2014/10/15/ enterovirus-information-resources/

The Racquet Club of

Newburyport

Did You Know?

Calendar

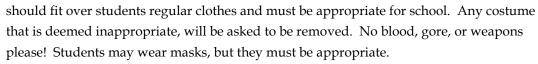
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NES Halloween Parade

The annual NES Halloween Parade will take place on October 31st from 1:30-2:30. A short classroom party will take place following the parade 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



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.



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Second Grade News

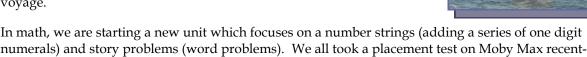
We're moving right along in second grade! We began the year with an exciting science unit on fossils! Last week we dug for fossils and this week we researched the fossil types. It was so interesting to see where they came from! Did you know that you can tell what a dinosaur ate by looking at the shape of its teeth?





In Fundations, we are working on distinguishing between closed syllables and closed exceptions. A closed syllable contains one short vowel and is "closed in" by at least one consonant (ex: desk or fill). An exception is a closed syllable that has a long vowel sound (ex: most or find). The five exception sounds that we learn are: ost, old, olt, ind and ild.

We read an interesting article about a scientist who may have found the 500-year-old wreck of the Santa Maria! The children used map skills to locate important points of Columbus' journey including Spain and San Salvador. They also located where the shipwreck was found (near Haiti). In observance of Columbus Day, we read the article and watched an informational video about Columbus' voyage.



ly. Moby Max is a computer program which finds students' individual levels and assigns them lessons based on areas they are ready to work on. Each student is able to work at his own level whether extra support is needed, or extension work. Right now we are focusing on math, but

will be adding other academic areas in the future.



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Friends of the Newbury Town Library

We learn new things every day!

Harvest Festival





"You are never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream."

-C.S. Lewis

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PTA News...

It's PARTY Time!

Join us for the Annual PTA Halloween Party

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

Enjoy 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.

Thanks to the students who created signs to hang at school to promote the party!

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. Not able to attend the party? You can drop off bake sale items during the school day to the main office.

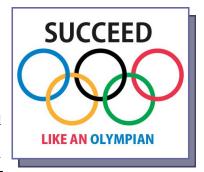
Please visit <u>Halloween Party Signup</u> to sign up or email newburyptainfo@gmail.com. All volunteers must have a completed CORI form on file with the school. Please check with Elaine Fecteau in the school office to verify your status.

School assembly to featuring an Olympian!

The PTA is pleased to support the C.A.R.E.S culture at Newbury Elementary School by sponsoring a series of assemblies that reinforce this initiative with our students, teachers and staff. Please join us next Friday, October 24th for motivational speaker and former Olympian, Molly Sullivan Sliney.

Olympian Molly Sullivan Sliney was a distinguished member of the 1988 and 1992 United States fencing team. Molly was also a member of the 1987 and 1991 Pan American teams where she won two gold medals. A Massachusetts native, Molly started fencing at age ten as a way build her self-esteem. Because of her learning disability, dyslexia, she lacked confidence and belief in herself.

(Grades K-2 will have a special program of their own later in the year... TBA)



Encouraged by her father as well as her fencing coach, she not only had success on the fencing strip but also in the classroom. Attending the University of Notre Dame on a full scholarship, she received her Bachelors in Marketing while winning two NCAA titles, a mark recorded in the Guinness Book of World Records. Notre Dame also named her the 1980's Female Athlete of the Decade. Though she has a tremendous list of athletic accomplishments, she views her college diploma as one of her greatest achievements.

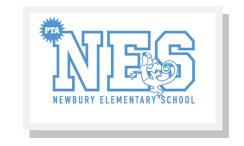
Since retiring from competition in 1992, Molly has been an active public speaker and fencing instructor. By sharing her life experiences, she teaches youth to believe in themselves, to set goals and to work every day to achieve those goals, no matter what the obstacles.

Join us at the Assembly!

Friday, October 24th in the NES small gym

Grades 3 and 4 8:45-9:30 am

Grades 5 and 6 10:00-10:45 am



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Art fundraiser ordering starts soon!

The kids' artwork has been collected and your personalized order forms are being created by SilverGraphics. You will have your order form for personalized keepsakes by October 30th -be on the lookout in your child's folder. Orders will be in before the holidays. This fundraiser benefits the grant funds that bring materials and experiences to our classrooms.



PTA Members Needed!

We have over 100 members, but we want more! Join online at http://newburypta.com/join/ or pick up a membership form in the school office.

We made the Newspaper!

Did you see the article about the new playground effort that was printed in the *Daily News*? Read it to learn about this exciting effort!

Daily News Playground Article



NES Calendar



October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29 7:00pm Play- ground Design Meet- ing	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 8:45-10:45/Molly Sullivan Sliney 5:30- 7:30 pm PTA Hallow- een Party	25
26	27	28 7:30 am Student Council	29	30	31 1:30-2:30 pm Halloween Parade	

Did you know?

NES Technology Helpers

Meet our tech helpers, Helena S., Lizzy P., Maeve H.,

Dylan W., Tegan M., and Joey P.

"This year's tech helpers have some new responsibilities as we now have a traveling Chrome cart that needs to be plugged in each day and delivered to classes all around the school. I don't think I could do my job without them, from setting up for presentations during school time and after school, as well as the number of small deliveries that need to be done; not to mention getting all kinds of help with the younger grades in the computer lab. They are the best!"

- Mrs. Raycroft

"Being a tech helper is the most amazing job, it takes responsibility to do this job, and is an amazing opportunity to learn"

-Maeve H.

"It is a very busy and exciting job. You often have to use the

elevator when delivering the ChromeBooks, which is pretty exciting. It is a huge commitment, but is the most exciting job I have."

-Helena S.

"Being a tech helper is like doing community service, delivering the Chrome cart and helping Mrs. Raycroft with whatever she needs. It is a <u>huge</u> commitment."

-Lizzy P.



