



# The Newbury Elementary School

## Newt-paper

October 24, 2014

Volume 2, Issue 8

### THANKSGIVING MEALS

#### Together to Gather

NES Student Council presents the 5th 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. We are requesting a *voluntary* \$2.00 donation per student to purchase turkeys. In addition, we are seeking *voluntary* donations of the following items to fill the baskets:

#### Grade Level Quantity Item

**Pre-School:** 2 cans of fruit per child

**Kindergarten:** 1 box instant potatoes per child

**First Grade:** 2 boxes/bags of stuffing per child

**Second Grade:** 2 boxes of instant potatoes per child

**Third Grade:** 2 cans of fruit

**Fourth Grade:** 2 cans of corn

**Fifth Grade:** 2 cans of cranberry sauce per child

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

Please have your voluntary food donations in by **Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**. Send all voluntary cash donations in an envelope marked Michelle Walsh and give it to your child's teacher. We will be meeting on Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:clabella@trsd.net). **You must have a signed permission slip.** If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Walsh @ [mwalsh9@msn.com](mailto: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



Newbury Elementary School  
63 Hanover Street  
Newbury, MA 01951  
(978)465-5353  
Fax: (978)463-3070  
Website:  
<http://newbury.trsd.net>  
Blog:  
<http://newburylementaryupdate.blogspot.com>



Permission to help with decorating boxes for Thanksgiving on November 18<sup>th</sup> from **3:00PM to 4:15PM** in the NES CAFE

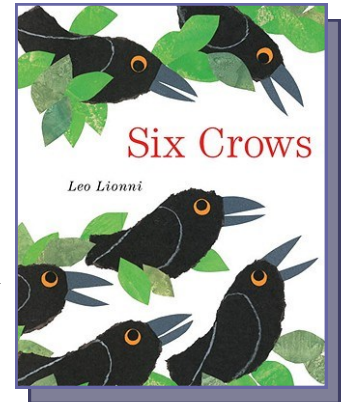
Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Parents signature \_\_\_\_\_

## First Grade News

First grade is a very busy place, filled with wonderful new friends and experiences. Over the past few weeks the first graders have participated in an author study on Leo Lionni. The featured books include: [A Fish is a Fish](#), [The Busy Year](#), [Tillie and the Wall](#) and [Swimmy](#). The books were chosen because they explore the concepts of communities and the importance of working together. The first graders used top down webs and two column notes to explore character traits and main idea. As a culminating activity our first graders created a beautiful story mural for each title. Please drop by NES and take a peek.



## 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 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.

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](mailto:apasquarello@trsd.net) by the Wednesday before the newsletter is published.

**WHY** grrr  
grumble  growl

**start the day with  
a growling stomach?**

**Come to  
School Breakfast  
everyone is welcome!**

Newbury Elementary School  
Breakfast Served **Everyday** from 8:10 – 8:25 am in the café  
Prices: Paid is only \$1.65; Reduced-Priced is only \$0.30  
\*Free school meals = Free breakfast daily!  
Come on down and start your day off right!

For questions contact:  
Lucinda Ward, RD, SNS 978-465-2397 x5274

  
**School Breakfast**  
The Fuel For School!

## From the Health Office:

This is a reminder that all prescription and over-the-counter medications for sixth grade camp are due this Tuesday, October 28th. All medication should be in a zip-lock bag, in the original container, and properly marked with your child's name.

“There is no substitute  
for hard work.”  
- Thomas Edison

## Youth Programs - November 2014

What's happening at the Newbury Town Library this November? Check it out below!

**THE NEWBURY TOWN LIBRARY WILL BE OPEN THE DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING, AND HOLDING OUR STORY TIME :-)**

**MOVIE DOUBLE FEATURE!!!!**

**Nov. 7th, Friday: NES Half-Day Movie Showing**

- 1pm Planes Fire and Rescue

**3pm Maleficent**

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

Come for one, or come for both! We're planning a DOUBLE FEATURE on Nov. 7th!

Planes Fire & Rescue, rated PG, at 1pm, followed by Maleficent, rated PG, at 3pm!

Please register on our online calendar found at [newburylibrary.org](http://newburylibrary.org). Space is limited.

**Making Scarves For Those In Need (Grades 6-12)**

**Saturday, November 8th at 11am** - Please join us for a special hour or two to make fleece scarves for homeless adults and families at Emmaus, a community-based nonprofit shelter in Haverhill, MA. The scarves are easy to make and will help provide warmth as temperatures get increasingly colder. We'll wrap up our scarf-making session with treats and hot chocolate.

*\* Donations of fleece fabric greatly appreciated!*

**Storytimes (Ages 2-5, siblings welcome)**

**Fridays at 11am (Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28)** - Join us for story times in November, which is Family Literacy Month in Massachusetts and across the nation! The Newbury Town Library's Simple & Sweet Story Times are thematic in nature and offer an opportunity for children to hear stories from classic children's literature as well as new additions to our collection. The children are able to practice developmental skills, such as listening and taking turns, in a warm and welcoming environment, as well as to meet new people and maybe make a friend (children and parents/caregivers alike!). After we sing a song and share a story or two, we'll use our fine motor skills to create a simple craft that relates to the stories we've read.

To sign up online, click register on our online calendar found at [newburylibrary.org](http://newburylibrary.org) - you will receive a confirmation email upon registration. Space is limited.

**Sprouting Melodies (Ages 18mos - age 3)**

**Thursday, Nov. 13 at 1pm:** In this music program, toddlers enjoy the routine they crave yet also the freedom and creativity for 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](http://newburylibrary.org). Space is limited.

**Do-drop-in Playtime Sessions (Ages 0-4, siblings welcome)**

**Every Wednesday Morning from 10:30a-12p** - 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.

**SAVE THE DATE: DEC. 9TH, 2014:** Visit Flatbreads Pizza in Amesbury, MA on Tuesday, December 9th, and they will donate a portion of the evening's profits to The Friends of the Newbury Town Library! The Friends is a volunteer organization primarily focused on raising funds to support the Library and staff, to enhance the resources and services of the Library, and to enrich the community. For more information about the Friends of the Newbury Town Library, to join, or to volunteer, check out their website at: <http://fontl.wordpress.com/>



## PTA News...

### See you tonight at the Halloween Party!

5:30-7:30 pm

Costumes encouraged, but not required.

Free admission; food and drink for sale. All students must be supervised by a parent.

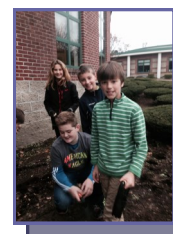
Many thanks go to our party organizer, Heather DePaolo, and all the volunteer parents, staff members, and students who have worked hard to make the party happen. Special thanks go to our student volunteers who will work at the party:

Louis B.      Ian R.      Erin O.      Brooke N.      Evelyn P.      Aiden H.

See you tonight for a Spooktacular Time!

### Just wait for Spring!

NES Grows and the student council worked together to plant 500 daffodil bulbs. The bulbs were donated by retired music teacher Mr. Brauneck.



### Fundraiser starts next week!

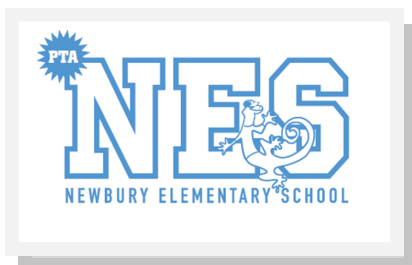
The time is almost here to see your students' masterpieces that they created for our fall fundraiswer with Silver-Graphics. Order forms will be sent home late next week, and ordering can be done online. Orders will arrive in December. Proceeds from the fundraiser will support the PTA grants offered to teachers for classroom items and projects.

### Nov 19th: First Restaurant Fundraiser of the Year

Mark the calendar to go out for lunch, snacks, dinner or dessert on Wednesday, Nov. 19th, at PI Beachcoma. The restaurant will donate 15% of all checks to our PTA. It's a great time to catch up with classmates and neighbors while supporting our school.

### Holiday Breakfast Will Offer Bazaar

The PTA Holiday Pancake Breakfast is Saturday, Dec. 6th, 8-11 am. It's the shopping season, and tables will be available for community members – including students – to sell items. Email [hilarylind@gmail.com](mailto:hilarylind@gmail.com) if you'd like more information or to reserve a table.



Join us for the first PTA restaurant fundraiser of the year at the...



Wednesday, November 19th

11:30 am to 11:30 pm

15% of all orders will be donated to the NES PTA  
No coupon needed!

Check out the menu at [www.pibeachcoma.com](http://www.pibeachcoma.com) or call (978) 358-8218

## SEPAC News

The new Triton SEPAC is on a mission to work for understanding of, respect for, and support of all children with special needs in the community.



We intend to be a positive, solution-oriented group. One focus of our group is to be a resource to parents. Another focus of the SEPAC is to act as a bridge to improve communication within the district and between the administration and families.

We strive to create a network of parents, community members, school staff, and administration to work together to improve our students' lives. State law empowers the SEPAC to advise the School Committee, help evaluate and develop school programs, and connect and educate families. Together we can do great things.

### SEPAC Meeting and Workshop November 13th

The SEPAC will hold its first meeting of the year on Thursday, Nov. 13th, 6-6:45 pm at the Triton High School Library. A discussion with Special Education Administrator David Magee will include information on the PARCC tests, 18-22 year old transition program, speaker topics for future workshops, and the Coordinated Program Review of the district.

Following the meeting, at 7 pm, a workshop on "Fostering Independence: A Strengths-Based Approach" will be presented by Kathleen Bartolini, MA, NCC, as part of the Transition Series co-sponsored by area SEPACs and the Greater Haverhill-Newburyport ARC. The workshop will focus on the uniqueness of us as parents, knowing our strengths and weaknesses, and how we can make small changes in ourselves and our homes that communicate competency and ability to our children and teens. Small changes have a very big impact, and regardless of their challenges, all children are capable of achieving their own personal best. How we respond as parents can make all the difference in that achievement!

Kathleen Bartolini is currently an adjunct professor at Northern Essex and Middlesex Community Colleges where she teaches psychology and college success courses. Kathleen has more than 20 years of experience working with children and families as a mental health professional and is also the proud mother of two unique children.

### SEPAC Coffee Connection

The SEPAC hosts monthly informal gatherings to offer support, networking, and information sharing. All of our Coffee Connections meet in the lobby of the Tannery, Newburyport, in front of the Jabberwocky entrance. Children are welcome to accompany you if needed. Drinks may be purchased in the area, or bring your own. Our next Coffee Connection is:

**Saturday, November 5th 8:45-10 am**

**Tannery, Newburyport**

**Get involved with the SEPAC:**

To get more information or to join the SEPAC email list, send an email to [SEPACtriton@gmail.com](mailto:SEPACtriton@gmail.com). Our email list is a great way to learn about events and resources in the area that may be of interest to families with special needs and those who support them.



Do you have a great idea for a business?  
Do you want to be your own boss?  
Do you want to make money with your own business?

**E3! Exploring Entrepreneurial Experiences**

Saturday, November 1, 2014  
At the Newburyport Public Library Program Room First Floor  
9:30 a.m. sharp - 4:00 p.m.  
Hands-on. Fun and FREE.  
Space is limited—first come first served! Includes Breakfast and Lunch  
All must pre-register and send registration and permission slip to:  
Sabra Dow, Program Director, Girls Inc. of the Seacoast Area  
2 Harris St., Newburyport MA 01950  
978-465-1268  
sdow@girlsinseacoast.org



**girls inc.**  
inspiring all girls to be strong, smart and bold

**E3 | Exploring Entrepreneurial Experiences | REGISTRATION**

Girls Inc. of the Seacoast Area, a program of the Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center

Girl's First and Last Name:
Girl's Date of Birth:
Age:
School:
Grade in School:
Adult's First and Last Name:
Relationship to Girl:
Adult's Phone Number(s):
Adult's Email:
Adult's Mailing Address:
How did you hear about E3?
What would you like your daughter to take away from E3?
Do you have any questions?
Does your daughter have allergies or other medical concerns? Please explain.
Does your daughter have learning needs that it would be helpful to know about?

Please note, your daughter will not be officially enrolled until Sabra Dow has received a signed hard copy of the E3 Permission slip!

Please email registration to [sdow@girlsinseacoast.org](mailto:sdow@girlsinseacoast.org)

Permission slip should be sent to sent to: Sabra Dow, Program Director, Girls Inc. of the Seacoast, 2 Harris Street, Newburyport, MA 01950

Feel free to call with any questions! Sabra Dow: 978-465-1268

**girls inc.**  
inspiring all girls to be strong, smart and bold

**E3 | Exploring Entrepreneurial Experiences | REGISTRATION**

Girls Inc. of the Seacoast Area, a program of the Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center

Girl's First and Last Name:
Girl's Date of Birth:
Age:
School:
Grade in School:
Adult's First and Last Name:
Relationship to Girl:
Adult's Phone Number(s):
Adult's Email:
Adult's Mailing Address:
How did you hear about E3?
What would you like your daughter to take away from E3?
Do you have any questions?
Does your daughter have allergies or other medical concerns? Please explain.
Does your daughter have learning needs that it would be helpful to know about?

Please note, your daughter will not be officially enrolled until Sabra Dow has received a signed hard copy of the E3 Permission slip!

Please email registration to [sdow@girlsinseacoast.org](mailto:sdow@girlsinseacoast.org)

Permission slip should be sent to sent to: Sabra Dow, Program Director, Girls Inc. of the Seacoast, 2 Harris Street, Newburyport, MA 01950

Feel free to call with any questions! Sabra Dow: 978-465-1268




## 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 8:45-10:45/Molly Sullivan Sliney 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	

### Did you know?

## November is Massachusetts Family Literacy Month

Governor Patrick has issued a Proclamation declaring November 2014 as Massachusetts Family Literacy Month. This marks the 18<sup>th</sup> year that our state is acknowledging and celebrating the important role that families play in their children’s literacy development.



**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**A Proclamation**

His Excellency Governor Deval L. Patrick

Whereas Parents are their children’s earliest and most continuous teachers, and play a critical role in their children’s school success from birth through career and college readiness; and

Whereas Parents partner with school staff to support their children to achieve high academic standards; and

Whereas Families benefit from engaging in shared learning activities at home and in the community; and

Whereas Communities, libraries, and schools provide family engagement opportunities that support children’s language and literacy development; and

Whereas The Massachusetts Family Literacy Consortium brings state agencies and family serving organizations together to support community efforts that promote early literacy and reading proficiency by the end of third grade to give children a foundation for success in school; and

Whereas The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has a tradition of commitment to universal literacy and family literacy;


Now, Therefore, I, Deval L. Patrick, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim November 2014, to be

**FAMILY LITERACY MONTH**


And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this eighth day of October, in the year two thousand and fourteen, and of the independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-eighth.

By His Excellency



DEVAL L. PATRICK  
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH



WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN  
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts