Napoleon Junior High

# Paw Print

Fall Edition 2022





### What's New in Fall 2022

**By: Paw Print Staff** 

The 2022-2023 school year is well underway. The staff and students at Napoleon Junior High have been busy pursuing the Wildcat Way and earning Cat Cash through PBIS rewards.

The first quarter will end Friday 10/28/22 and the second quarter will begin 10/31/22. This school year take some time to explore the many options available to students such as sporting events, and and choir concerts, drama performances, club meetings, and various other activities our school has to offer. Remember to check your email often and listen to announcements for up to date information.

## NJH Welcomes New Assistant Principal

By: Solara Cortez

I interviewed Mr.Pennington to find out some things for students to get to know him a bit better. Mr. Pennington has three children that are all involved in sports. By now, we should all know what his favorite football team is, but in case you don't it's Michigan. Before coming to Napoleon, Mr. Pennington worked at a lot of other schools around our town. One school he previously taught at was Patrick Henry where he taught math. What brought him to Napoleon was that it's a small town, so it's easier to communicate with people. Since it's small, it's easy to get to know a lot of people. He also has relatives that live close to Napoleon. Outside of school, Mr. Pennington likes to attend a lot of sporting events, especially to watch his kids, but he also enjoys going to football games. In his spare time he also likes to golf. During the summer he's a baseball coach. Welcome to Napoleon Mr. Pennington!

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## Red Ribbon Week

**By: Shayne Roehl** 

As we walk through the school halls, the scene always seems to be the same. But, October 24-28th is different, you can go down the hallway there are signs and posters that say, "Say **NO** to drugs." Every kid has heard this exact statement at least a hundred times throughout their school lives, but Red Ribbon Week is our pledge to live drug free.

When time comes you can wear what the themes are with pride as a symbol of awareness and support. Red Ribbon Week is specifically dedicated to the prevention of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol. This is important to me because it gives our entire school and community a chance to stand up together and say no to drugs. It forms bonds between friends and family by standing up for what we believe in. Participating in this event not only shows the importance of Red Ribbon Week, but allows people to make a difference in others' lives. Today, kids using drugs has become a massive problem in society that needs to be solved. Red Ribbon Week can help with that! By dressing up and participating in events, you can make a difference. Red Ribbon Week helps students realize the dangers of using drugs and alcohol, not only at a young age but also as they get older. This allows kids to be more aware of what they're putting into their bodies and how harmful they are. By participating, you can help protect a friend or change someone's mind about using drugs. As the week comes to an end, we have done our jobs as friends, family, and community. By doing this you may not know it, but you may have changed someone's mind so you can think about the fact that we have left our mark.

This year's themes are, <u>RED OUT:</u> Wear red, <u>Don't Get Mixed Up with</u> <u>Drugs</u>:Wear mismatched clothes, socks, and shoes, and <u>Celebrate You by Making Good Choices and Living Drug Free:</u> Wear dress up clothes, <u>Celebrate Your Healthy Life:</u>Wear workout clothes, and <u>Let's Team Up Against Drugs and Pledge to be Drug Free:</u>Wear your favorite team apparel.



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### PBIS/Cat Cash

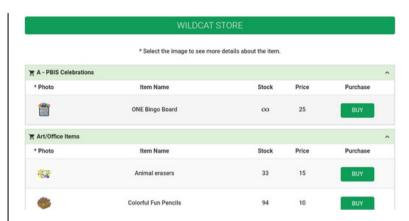
By Isabelle McMurtrie

On October 27th the Napoleon Junior High will be participating in a school wide bingo event! You will be able to play bingo on the 27th in your Thursday I/E. The prizes will consist of things such as arts, crafts, games, snacks, gift cards, and much, much more.

Over on the cat cash store you are able to buy extra bingo boards. Buying more bingo boards will increase your chances of getting a bingo. You will begin with one bingo board on bingo day, but up until that time, you will be able to purchase 4 extra bingo boards!!! Each bingo board costs 25 cat cash each, so I would be saving up my cat cash.



û About the bingo game (This image was sent to you via an email, that talked about the bingo game, from PBIS) û



 $\widehat{\Box}$  an image of the cat cash store in which the extra boards are being sold  $\widehat{\Box}$ 



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## **NJH Choir**

**By: Shayne Roehl** 

Did you know singing in groups has been proven to help people feel happier? If you were to walk into the choir room you would see they have serious moments of just singing, but if you were to stay an entire period you would know it's kinda crazy in there! By the end of each day though, the students have sung and had a lot of fun. It's said students can't remember a day where they didn't have any laughs. The choir is a lot of fun, and maybe next year you could join the fun experience of choir!

This year the 7th-grade choir allowed the audience to join a magical journey on October 20, 2022, at 7:00 pm. Now, what was so magical about this journey? The theme of the songs is...... Disney! The choir's first song was from Disney's 56th animated feature film How Far I'll go from Moana. The second song was Touch the Sky from Brave. The last song they sang was Love is an Open Door from Frozen. The choir has done a great job so far; the students all know the songs they are just going through and piecing it all together. Keep up the good work!

Now the 7th-grade has done a good job, but 8th-grade has worked just as hard. This year they are singing the songs, *Carrying the Banner* from *Newsies*, *Friend Like Me* from *Aladdin*, *and Proud Corazon* from *Coco*. They also performed on October 20th. After the 20th we are all singing on December 6th.Keep up the good work!

Choir kids include-Shyloh Adams, Gracie Aguilar, Kloie Ann Balser, Braylen Blue, Matthew Deblin, Elaynah Delgado, Estere Dotson, Hunter Ehlers, Emma Espinoza, Ki Lee Fields, Sara Ford, Emeri Garcia, Adrienne Gerkan, Quentin Gutierrez, Ava Hockenberry, Katelyn Hoover, Joslyn Johnson, Zoey Johnson, Annaliese Kleinfelter, Delaney Lickly, Jack Love III, Zoe Lulfs, Benjamin Mann, Isabelle McMurtrie, Cesar Morales Ramirez, Felix Harrizon Rodriguez, Perla Nunez Rojas, Ethan Saneholtz, Riley Schunk, Kolton Shomsky, Leia Wardinski, Thomas Webb, Lyla Wiemken, Destiny Zamora, Sheadon Addams, Bennet Aderman, Allen Barth Raydon Bostelman, Joseph Calvert, Logan Case, Amirah Dortzbach, Emaline Eggers, Nina Finch, Baylee Fortier, Molly Huddle, Brianna Ingle, Chloe Kersey, Madilynn Danny Metzger, Emmalin Pontious, Shayne Roehl, Gracie Rowe, Audrinna Scott, Piper Shepard, Kathryn Stearns, Abigail Stephey, Mackenzie Teitje, Joseph Tonjes, Trinitie Torres, Jessalyn Vansickler, Gael Vera Espinosa, Rachael Wardinski, and Brycelee Warner.





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#### 7th Grade Football

#### By Tre Buttleman

The 7th grade football team has 18 amazing players. They have won 3 out of their 6 games, they have tied once, they have 2 games remaining. I have asked their offensive coach, Alex Glassford and he has told me that "Our Brody Thompson, running backs, Riemund, Kayden Robinette, and Collin Speiser run really hard and are difficult to bring down." He also said that "Our team is highlighted by their stellar defensive play and as well as a game." Their running defensive strong coordinator has told me that their defense has had 12 sacks this season and Colin Speiser leads the team with 2 interceptions.



## 8th Grade Football By Tre Buttleman

The 8TH grade football team has 22 awesome players. They have 3 out of their 6 games this season. The offense made some amazing plays, but Max Shadle made an interception and ran it for an 85 yard touchdown. The 8TH grade football team finished their season very strong. They held up against Maumes offensive line and made a few sacks. They did the same thing in all their games. Sometimes more than others. Ignacio Corona made the most sacks of their season. Hayden Groll has run the ball each game for at least an average of 90-120 yards per game. Max Swihart has done the same thing as Hayden. Briggs Abbot has made some 20 yards or more throws to Spencer or Zach Barton. Carter Bowen has thrown some impressive throws as well. Trenton Ehlers has been able to break through the opponents offensive line and sack their quarterback or drive their running back for a yardage loss.



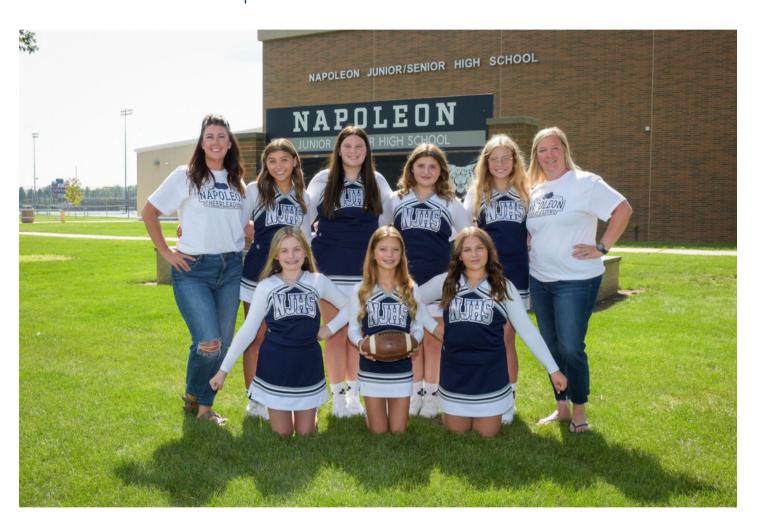




7th Grade Cheerleading

Ava Emmerich Schafer, Baylee Fortier, Alivia Good, Taylor Pritchard, Aurianna Rossi, Audrinna Scott, and Katie Stearns.

The coaches are: Beth Speiser and Christa Bickel



The cheerleaders attended various fall sporting events to support the student athletes. One memorable event that stands out was in August when they cheered during the Henry County Fair Parade. The cheerleaders work hard to get the crowd cheering for all of our Napoleon athletes.









#### 7th Grade Volleyball

Azhi Allen, Abigail Baker, Parker Benton, Natalie Borck, Meredith Bostelman, Alexis Cobb, Emerson Gerken, Libby Hill, Reece Moden, Anna Ritter, Carmen Rupp, Piper Shepard, and Hannah Taylor.

The coach is: Haley Burdue



#### Season Recap:

The 7th grade volleyball team was 4 out of 4 in the league. Unfortunately, they lost their first tournament game to Perrysburg in the first round, but that didn't stop them from having a great season. Overall they had 8 wins and 8 losses.





### **Movie Review**

#### Heaven is for Real

By Matthew Deblin

This movie is about a little boy named Colton Burpo and his trip to heaven and back. One day Colton's sister had stomach flu and they thought that that is what Colton had as well. As a week went by of Colton throwing up they took him to the hospital. They could not find out why he was so sick. They did a lot of tests and blood work to find out why he was so sick. After a week of tests, they found out that his appendix had burst. Colton had to have an emergency surgery because his appendix burst and the doctors needed to clean it out. While Colton was in surgery his dad Todd was mad and yelling at god. Todd is a pastor. When Colton woke up he started to tell his dad and his mom that he went to heaven and met Jesus. He had also met his great-grandfather pop. Pop died almost a decade before Colton was born. Throughout the story, Colton tells more stories about when he went to heaven. He told about what heaven looked like, what Jesus looked like, and what it was like being in heaven.



## **Movie Review: The Notebook**

By: Emmajean Talsma



The Notebook is an all time favorite movie and it gave me an overall feeling of happiness. I recommend this movie because of the plot, rising action and character development. The movie is about a man, Noah, who falls in love at first sight, but there's a problem. The girl is rich, he is not. Noah is poor and works as a lumberman at a lumber yard. It dates back to 1946, her parents want her to date a rich and successful man while she does not want to. They have a fight and the morning after he hears about her family leaving town.

He sent her a letter everyday for 365 days, before she left he promised her a house. An old, abandoned house was what he bought, remodeled, and finished just for her. Years later she forgets about him and falls in love with a rich man from the military. A few weeks before her wedding, she sees Noah. She discovers he has finished the house and painted it just how she wanted. She returns to her old town and they just fall in love all over again.

Don't just take my word for it! Emeri Garcia, class of 2027 said, "I love it; my favorite part was when he climbed the ferris wheel to see Allie."



## HALLOWEEN STUDENT QUESTION

#### By: Isabelle McMurtrie

Halloween is one of the most exciting times of the year, and is my favorite holiday. One popular tradition for Halloween is that a lot of people participate in Trick-or-Treat, especially when they are littler. I asked around ten individuals that are in the JH (grades 7-8th) this question.

#### QUESTION:

"What was the silliest or weirdest thing you dressed up as when you were a little kid?"

#### ANSWERS:

Lee Shunk: "When I was 6 I was a sunflower"

Natalie Bascome: "When I was 7 I was the queen of hearts"

Leia Wardinski: "When I was 7 I dressed up as a stormtrooper from Star Wars, and my dad was Darth Vador"

Solara Cortez: "When I was 6 I dressed up as Princess Peach, and my brother was Mario."

Kloie Balser: "When I was 8 I was a broken doll"

Estere Dotson: "I dressed up as green eggs, and my sister was ham when I was like 6"

Martina Ebaugh: "I was Dorthy"



