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A MINUTE TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING @ NMS

"Unity is strength... when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved."

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HEADLINES

TEAM DAY
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Buses

Just a reminder, students will need to ride their designated bus home in the afternoon (see bus policy).

Picture Day

We will be having the NMS picture day on Tuesday, September 12th.

Clubs / Activities

Clubs and activities will begin on the second week of October. We will send out the Clubs/Activities list the first week of October.

TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Team Day 9/8

Due to the heat and humidity today, it was in the best interest of student safety to reschedule the Team Day and 6th Grade Fun Day events scheduled for today. This means that Team Day and the 6th Grade after-school event will both be postponed and a new date will be determined on Monday. We are keeping our eye on the weather for next Friday 9/15 or Friday 9/22.

Team Day - We will have music, popcorn, and frozen slushies, and will have a number of exciting activities for students to enjoy. Students will be able to try their hand at a variety of "inflatable" games and field games for fun and to compete with one another or even a teacher of their choice. These include: Skee Ball, 2 Obstacle Courses (40'+30'), Field Goal Kicking Contest, Homerun Challenge, Soccer Challenge, Basketball (Shooting Stars), Quarterback Accuracy Challenge, Hula Hoop Toss, 4 Bouncy Houses, Can Jam, Spike Ball, Corn Hole, Volleyball, Capture the Flag, Parachute, Chess, Giant Jenga, Sidewalk Chalk and more--all FREE to students.

Students and staff are invited to wear their team shirts on this day.

We know this event will be a blast for everyone. We will also be offering the library, equipped with various games and activities, as a quiet space for any student that needs a break during the event.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to us at james.dupille@norwellschools.org(Mr. Dupille) or ellen.murray@norwellschools.org(Mrs. Murray).

If you would prefer to have your child not participate in any of the events, please let us know. Also, please reach out if you have any concerns about the food items listed above(all food items are provided by food services for NMS).

6th Grade Fun Day -TBD. The fun continues for our 6th grade students. We will have all the events listed above, plus a few more!! We would like to thank our PTO for all their support and hard work in planning and supporting these events!

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PTO

1. PLEASE join our Facebook page - to share information on events+opportunities to volunteer https://www.facebook.com/groups/1677683842302185/?ref=share

2. First PTO meeting is 9 am on 9/22 in the Community Room

3. **Spotlighter's Silent Auction Link**

4. Car Wash 9/9 @ NMS Bus Loop 9-1PM

5. Parent / Faculty pickleball night - 10/1 @ Pickles 6-8 pm. Save the date!

6. Any questions or interest in joining email us at nmspto@gmail.co

1ST WEEK OF SCHOOL

CALENDAR

September

11 9/11

12 School Picture Day

18 Building Leader Mtg

18 School Committee Mtg

20 Early Release (1/2 Day PD Day

20 Back-to-School Night 6PM

22 PTO Mtg

26 Faculty Council

27 Norwell Cares Day (Elem only)

October

2 Faculty Mtg

6 Term I Interim Reports

7-9 No HW Weekend

9 Holiday / No School

11 District-wide PTO Meeting; Sparrell Building 9AM

"Identify your problems but give your power and energy to solutions."

Welcome to the Norwell Middle School Back-to-School Night

Grade Level	Session			
	6:00-6:25	6:30-7:00	7:05-7:35	7:40-7:55
6th	Principal's Welcome Cafe	World Language Classes (6:30-6:45) Exploratory Classes (6:45-7:00)	Team Presentations	Technology Support (Schoology/Aspen) Library
7th	Principal's Welcome Cafe	Team Presentations	World Language Classes (7:05-7:20) Exploratory Classes (7:20-7:35)	
8th	Principal's Welcome Cafe	Exploratory Classes (6:30-6:45) World Language Classes (6:45-7:00)	Team Presentations	

NMS Back-to-School Night Link

Picture Day

On Tuesday, (9/12) Picture day for all students is on Tuesday. To order photos please visit Picture Day / online ordering.

TECHNOLOGY 2023-2024

This year we distributed iPads during the first week of school and overall things went very well in grades 7 and 8. We had some difficulty with the grade 6 Apple IDs but thanks to the hard work of our District's Technology Manager, Jonathan Cotti, we were able to resolve the problem before the end of the day on Friday. The entire grade 6, teachers and students, were phenomenal throughout this process and we truly appreciate their patience and understanding.

Moving forward, we will be managing student technology through the main office. Please contact Lauren Hess; lauren.hess@norwellschools.org if you have any questions or concerns.

9/11 Remembrance

On Monday, I will speak to the school about 9/11. During homeroom, I will say the following, "Today, September 11th, 2023, our nation marks the 21st anniversary of the terrorist attacks that forever changed our country and the world. Although all of you, as students, were not yet born… we, and all Americans will never forget what happened that day.

Over the last two decades, the September 11th anniversary has become a day to honor and remember those we lost, those who answer the call to serve in the military, and as First Responders."

Pause for a moment of silence

I will then pause for a moment of silence in memory of the lives lost on that day and continue reading the following:

"September 11th has touched the lives of each of us and our families. Many people will share stories of where they were before they learned what happened, and what unfolded in the minutes and hours after. It was a day that had a lasting impact on all of us and forever changed the path of our nation moving forward.

In the weeks that followed, something truly amazing happened… a remarkable spirit of patriotism and compassion united our country. American flags appeared everywhere you looked… and it had nothing to do with political affiliation.

During Flex, or when time exists in your classes on Monday, take a minute to ask your teachers, ask adults in your life, and most importantly… ask your parents about where they were on the morning of September 11th. Listen to their stories... and hear their accounts of the uplifting patriotic pride, compassion, and collective support that persevered.

Through the sharing of these stories, we will always remember the events of September 11th.

Thank you for being part of this remembrance and listening to the stories you will hear from the people in your life."

ONLINE FUNDRAISERS

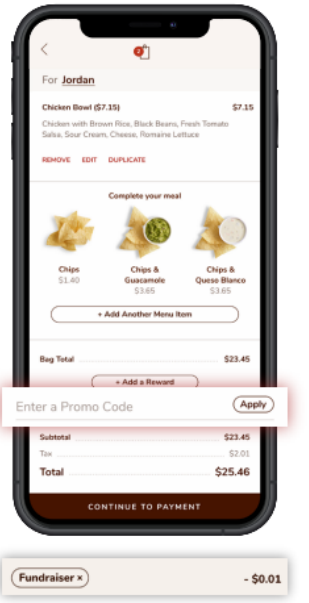
CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL

Congratulations on your upcoming Chipotle fundraiser! Below are details on how to participate in your fundraiser online through the **Chipotle App** or **Chipotle.com**.

Please note all online orders for your fundraiser must be within your scheduled hours and only at the restaurant hosting your event.

1. Access the **Chipotle app** or order on our **website**.
2. Choose **"Pickup"** and select the location of the restaurant which is hosting your fundraiser.
   Delivery orders or orders placed through other apps will not be counted towards your fundraiser.
3. Build your order with all your faves.
4. Once you're ready to place your order, input your unique online fundraiser code in the **"Enter a Promo Code"** section. Don't forget to click **"Apply."**
5. Provide payment information and submit your order for pickup (not delivery). **Reminder, pickup must be within the hours of your scheduled fundraiser.**

If you or your supporters forget to input and apply the code at checkout, please email us your order information at fundraisers@chipotle.com.



HELPFUL TIP

Once you apply your fundraiser code, your cart will show "Fundraiser" and an amount of -$0.01. Don't panic — this is totally normal and how we track the code in our system.

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OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT

CHIPOTLE

For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. $150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.