September Weekly Vinal Voice

Week of Tuesday, September 5 - Friday, September 8, 2023

Principal's Update

Welcome back! It was a busy (and warm) first week back! As a school, we focused on the areas below for our return:

***Building a Collaborative & Inclusive Learning Environment**
***Making Personal Connections**
***Practicing Essential Academic Routines**
***Exploring Key Academic Supplies**
Generating Learning Goals
***Brainstorming Classroom Rules**

Mark your calendars for Open House on Thursday, September 21st. Grades 1 and 2 will host families from 5:00-5:45 and grades 3-5 will host families from 6:15-7:00.

If you plan to pick your child(ren) up at the end of the school day, please place a sign in your front windshield with your child(ren)'s last name clearly printed. This will assist us in a more safe and efficient dismissal process.

All elementary students are automatically assigned a bus. If your child is not taking the bus this year, please email Janet Asnes at janet.asnes@norwellschools.org. Also, all families received an email from Kathy Lynch regarding necessary parent sign-offs. Please complete these sign-offs as soon as possible.

New this year, 5th grade students will be leading morning announcements on Fridays only. We will continue to podcast student-led announcements HERE, and share on the Vinal PTO Facebook page.

Do you or anyone you know love cooking and working with kids. If so, Norwell Food Services is hiring. If you are interested, please email Judy Crooks at judith.crooks@norwellschools.org.



Kindergarten in their Team Vinal Shirts!



Putting the "I" in Kind



Ms. Glidden's Class



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Upcoming Dates

Friday, September 15: Picture Day!
Wednesday, September 20: Early Release @ 12:20pm
Thursday, September 21: Open House Grades 1 & 2 at 5:00-5:45; Grades 3-5 at 6:15-7:00
Tuesday, September 25: Instrument Rental Night (Grade 5)
Tuesday, September 26: Community Meeting, 2:05 PM
Wednesday, September 27: Norwell CARES Day
Thursday, September 28: Kindness Ninja Assembly

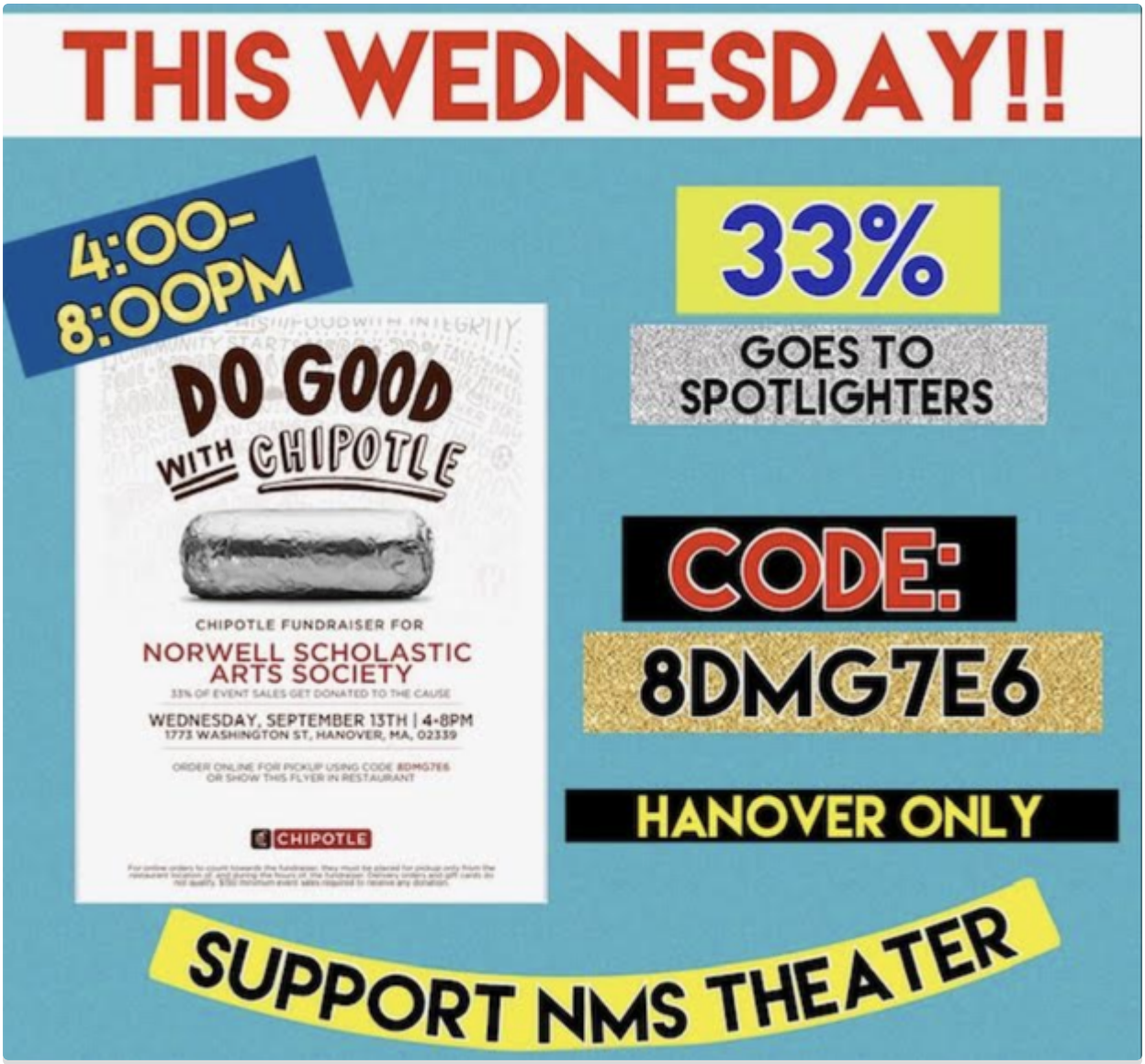
Updates from the Health Office

Welcome back! Just a reminder, if your child had any significant medical changes over the summer, please reach out to me to confirm we are aware. As always please reach out if you have any questions or concerns at any time.
Nurse Kristen

Norwell Middle School Spotlighters

The NMS Spotlighters Drama Group has been awarded the opportunity to perform live at Disney Springs, at Walt Disney World, Florida. On stage, students will be performing in front of an international audience, and they will experience the excitement and magic of being a Disney performer. If you are interested in donating to this experience please click HERE.

The Norwell Scholastic Arts Society is also hosting a Chipotle fundraiser where 33% of all profits will directly benefit the Spotlighters. See the flyer below for more information.



NORWELL SEPAC presents

Kids & Friendship

*Join **Katy Boucher,** founder of **The Accord School**, for an evening of lively conversation on how to help our kids navigate their ever-changing social world.*

Wednesday November 1st

6:30-8:00pm

Norwell Middle School

328 Main Street, Norwell



Parents will walk away with practical guidance that they can put to use the very next day!



the ACCORD SCHOOL

www.theaccordschool.org

The Norwell Commission on Disabilities

would be honored by your attendance at an unveiling ceremony

for two of Norwell's newest public tools for communication!





In partnership with The Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation for Autism, the Norwell Commission on Disabilities has brought communication boards to both of Norwell's public playgrounds, Gaffield Park and Reynolds Playground. These weather-resistant boards will support both minimally verbal and verbal children and adults in communicating effectively with others, including initiating conversations, self-advocacy, and navigating social situations. The Commission on Disabilities is committed to helping make the public spaces in Norwell as accessible as possible for everyone.

Please join us for a brief ribbon-cutting ceremony on **Saturday September 16th at 1pm** starting at Gaffield Park (69 River St) and then moving to Reynolds Playground (Prouty Ave) and ending at approximately 2pm. Feel free to share with friends and family, we would love to see you all there!

Norwell Commission on Disabilities

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