



MINUTE

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

WEEK AT A GLANCE

VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISIT

UPDATES

KINDNESS CORNER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Preschool lottery is now open for next year. A link for the lottery is on the school website.

Late buses started the week of September 15th. Late nights are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. For more information about late buses see our [website](#)

TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Week at a Glance

7th Grade Back yard Bash (10/29) @ 2PM -- 7th Graders! Wednesday, October 29th, all 7th graders are invited to hang afterschool for a soccer shoot out challenge, Gaga Ball, Yard games, Ellie's Treat Ice Cream Truck and the chance to enter the Annual 7th Grade Corn Hole Tournament. Pick up must be arranged by 3:30. So start thinking about partners and team names, or sign up solo and we can match you with a teammate! A google sign up form for the corn hole tournament will be emailed to all 7th graders. No sign up or cost is needed to participate in the event.

Picture retake day (10/29) will be on Wednesday, 10/29. If your student would like a retake, parents must mail the original picture package to Coffee Pond in order for the lab to process and print photos from the new picture. The mailing address can be found on all Coffee Pond materials and on the retake notices that were included in each student's original photo package.

Costume Day (10/31) -- On October 31st, the Norwell Middle School Community Service Club will be hosting a fundraiser for the Norwell Food Pantry, Costume Day! We will be inviting all students to dress up in costumes (only school appropriate costumes allowed)(no mask or weapons). Please bring a dollar or a small donation of any amount that will go directly to the food bank. Let's come together and raise needed funds for the food pantry in time for the holiday season.

Term I Ends (10/31) -- Just a reminder, Term I report card grades will be posted to Aspen for parents to review on Friday, November 7th. Parents and students should review the report card together to discuss the student's progress. Grades are a reflection of student achievement in content knowledge and skill development as measured by work accuracy, quality, and timely completion. No matter the grade for the term, students should be reflecting on their strengths and areas for growth.



Boo Bash



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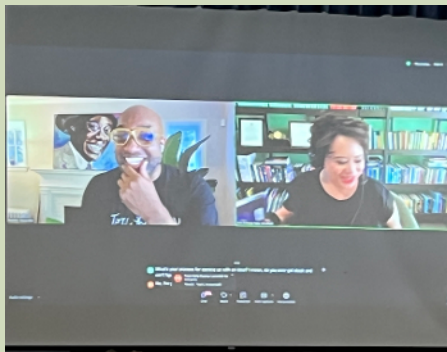
Hale Field Trip -- As part of our sixth-grade experience, students participated in team-building activities and ropes courses designed to build trust, communication, and confidence. The challenges encouraged students to support one another and work together to solve problems. Students learned the importance of teamwork, perseverance, and encouraging others.



2nd Virtual Author Visit

NMS has five virtual author visits hosted by Kwame Alexander (author of the Crossover) for the 6th grade. They are currently reading The Crossover with our ELA classes, so this is pretty exciting!

Author Study with Kwame Alexander is an interactive, virtual author visit series that brings Kwame Alexander and other notable authors into classrooms. And while it's fun for students, Author Study supports literacy learning goals. Most important, it celebrates the power of words and individual expression. Research shows that interaction with authors boosts students' motivation to read and write on their own. And, agentive reading and writing leads to higher literacy achievement



PTO

7th Grade Backyard Bash (10/29) @ 2 to 3:30PM

Parent Volunteers Still Needed! (See page 11 for additional information)

The NMS Turkey Trot is rapidly approaching! November 23rd @ 9:00am. Register before Midnight on OCT 25th to lock in the lowest registration fee.

The First 300 runners/walkers will also receive a SWAG BAG from our sponsors, DON'T WAIT!!

PTO DUES-- We are still around 65% of Student Dues Paid. Dues are suggested at \$50 per student, but any amount helps support school needs. Venmo: @NorwellMSPTO

Credit Card: NorwellMiddleSchoolPTO.org

The next PTO meeting is FRIDAY, November 7th @ 9:15am in the COMMUNITY ROOM and on ZOOM.

Veronica Carney & Ren Layne Co-Leads

CALENDAR

October

29 Picture Re-take Day
29 7th Grade PTO Event
31 Costume Day
31 Halloween
31 Term I ends

November

5 8th Grade DC Parent Mtg
7 Report Cards Issued

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

KINDNESS CORNER

"THE WORLD IS FULL OF KIND PEOPLE. IF YOU CAN'T FIND ONE, BE ONE." - unknown

DID YOU KNOW?!

THERE IS A PLACE FOR STAFF AND STUDENTS TO RECOGNIZE SOMEONE FOR THEIR KIND ACT(S). SIMPLY CLICK ON THE FORM BELOW TO HAVE YOUR STUDENT/CLASSMATE RECOGNIZED IN THE KINDNESS CORNER.

NMS Acts of Kindness



A NOTE FROM THE NURSE

From: Nurse Young

Injuries:

Please be aware if your child sustains any injury requiring in school accommodations (ie-exemption from PE, use of crutches, use of the elevator, etc) the school requires a letter from your child's doctor identifying the injury, need for accommodations and expected duration for recovery. ALL Concussions require a Concussion Plan as well. Thanks for helping us keep your kids safe



Hale Field Trip (10/22)

Students learned the importance of teamwork, perseverance, and encouraging others. The day was a fun and memorable way to strengthen friendships and grow as individuals and as a community.



Boo Bash



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Best Buddies





On **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31ST**

for **\$1.00**

All accounts **MUST** be in good
standing to order.

7TH GRADERS

Backyard Bash @ NMS

only

Wednesday

OCTOBER

29

2:00 - 3:30pm



***Corn Hole Tournament**

(With prizes!)

***Soccer Shoot Out vs. Teachers/Parents**

(Win a Prize if you Score!)

***Ellie's Treats Ice Cream Truck @ 2:30**

(One free treat per student!)

***Yard Games, Snacks & more!**

***Fun Social Event just for
the class of 2031!**



Donate a Dollar to dress up!

October 31

No Tricks



Just Treats



***for A Good Cause
Costume Day!***



***No Masks
No Weapons***



ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT NORWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL !

REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE!



**Register BEFORE
OCTOBER 1st**

\$25 **\$5 FOR TEE**

**Students \$20*

**Register between
Oct 1 - Oct 25th**

\$30 **\$10 FOR TEE**

**Students \$25*

**Register AFTER
October 25th...**

\$40 **\$15 FOR TEE**

**Students \$30*

Prizes for best
BULE & GOLD
and Turkey/
Thanksgiving
Costumes!

NORWELL TURKEY TROT 5K RUN & WALK

Sunday, November 23rd

9:00AM KIDS RACES & TURKEY CHASE

\$5 TO PRE- REGISTER - \$10 WALK-IN REGISTRATION - TEE \$10

***Meet at the Tennis Court Parking Lot**

9:30AM 5K RUN & WALK

***The 5K Starts and Finishes at LOT A**

Email: nmspto@gmail.com

**Start/Finish @ Norwell High School
18 South Street, Norwell**

**Register
here**



NorwellTurkeyTrot2025.racewire.com



SOUTH SHORE
Technical High School

OPEN HOUSE

October 25, 2025 from 10am-1pm
476 WEBSTER STREET, HANOVER, MA 02339

registration QR code



Private School Application Process

Norwell Middle School counselors and staff are happy and willing to assist families and students who wish to submit applications to private school. In order to best assist families and manage the great volume of information that must be shared as part of this process, Norwell Middle School has instituted a standardized process for requesting school records and recommendations. We encourage families to communicate their intention to complete private school applications as early as possible. Please do not wait until the last minute to send out your recommendation requests as they may be submitted after deadlines have passed. We look forward to working with families through this process.

The process is as follows:

1. Families should notify NMS counselors and any teacher who will be asked to complete recommendations of intent to submit private school applications, in writing, as soon as possible or at least three weeks prior to the first deadline.
2. Students should speak to any teacher or send them a personal email prior to the teacher getting a request from the online portal. This gives the teacher an opportunity to speak with the student in an effort to provide a more personalized recommendation.
3. Families should complete and submit the signed Records Release Form to the assigned school counselor at least three school weeks prior to the first deadline.

Click [HERE](#) for access to the release.

1. Students should complete and submit the Private School Student Questionnaire (click [HERE](#) for access to the questionnaire) to their school counselor and all teachers completing recommendations at least three school weeks prior to the first deadline.
2. If you have questions about a recommendation and/or its status, please contact the teacher or private school directly.

Rush: students whose last names begin with A-J

Sailer: students whose last names begin with K-Z

Hey Parents!!!

Flex Friday

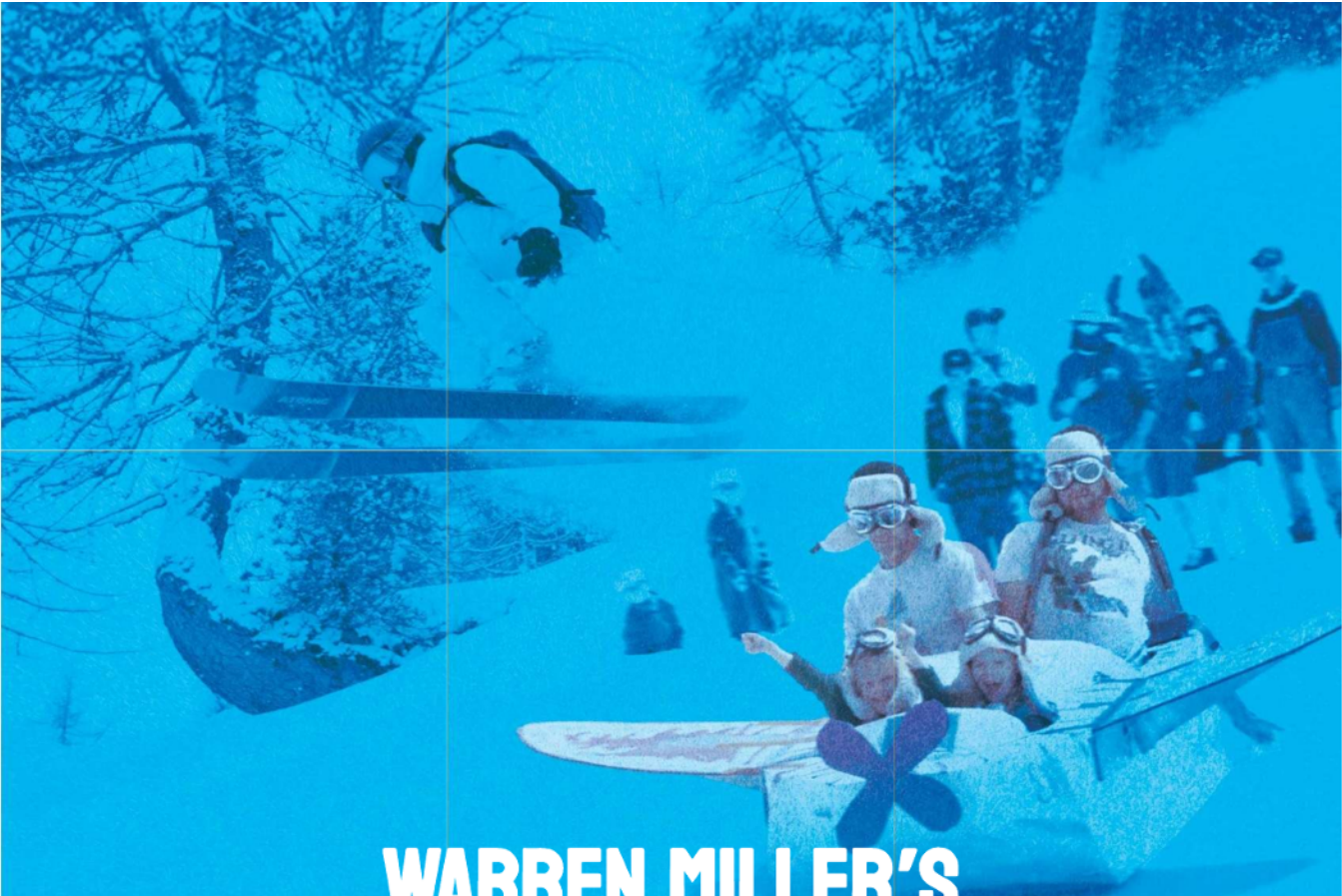
Reading Initiative

Every
Friday

Remind your student to pack a book for Flex Friday. During Flex Block, kids read a book they enjoy.

How else can I help?

1. Bring your student to the local library or go online to help them download high interest books and audiobooks.
2. Keep it going at home. Encourage reading as a daily habit.



WARREN MILLER'S SNO-CIETY

OUTSIDE INTERACTIVE INC. PRESENTS

IN ASSOCIATION WITH WARREN MILLER ENTERTAINMENT AN OUTSIDE STUDIOS PRODUCTION "SNO-CIETY"

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BREEZY JOHNSON CHRIS RUBENS LESLEY MCKENNA CAM LAWRENCE ASHLEY KELLER WILLAN CHARLES JACOB HRONES OYVIND KIRKHUS ELLIE WEILER
KATIE KENNEDY SARKA PANACCHOVA MARIE-FRANCE ROY ROBIN VAN GYN JUHO KILKKI

MANAGED BY JONNY MOSELEY



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Outside
STUDIOS

NORWELL, MASSACHUSETTS

SATURDAY DECEMBER 6TH 7 PM

SUNDAY DECEMBER 7TH 1PM

NORWELL HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

FIND TICKETS ON EVENTBRITE.COM



5TH ANNUAL
**HOLIDAY TEDDY
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DONATIONS
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WONDERFUND

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CASH DONATIONS**



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HAVE USED OR UNWANTED MARKERS, PENS

WOODEN OR MECHANICAL PENCILS?

The Norwell Recycling and Sustainability Committee sponsors a project to recycle used or unwanted crayons, markers, pens and wooden, colored and mechanical pencils. We are working in partnership with Staples, as these materials are part of their extensive list of materials that can be dropped off at their stores for recycling.

Collection boxes are located at-

Grace Farrar Cole School

William G. Vinal School

Norwell Middle School

The Accord School

First Parish PreSchool

Ridge Hill School

Norwell Public Library

Norwell Council on Aging