

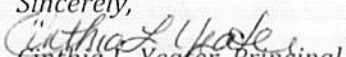
New Manchester  
Elementary Newsletter  
October 2017



"It Takes a Team to Educate a Child"

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that October is here and we are midway through the first quarter of the school year. We have had a successful start to the school year. Students have been setting goals, conducting student led conferences, and working hard. Our teachers are beginning to prepare parent involvement activities for all of our families. We encourage you to attend as it strengthens the communication between home and school, shows your child you feel learning is important, and it is a fun opportunity to interact with your child and other families and school personnel. Our Preschool teachers have been working with families to ensure smooth transitions for their children starting school for the first time. It is so enjoyable seeing their smiles and hearing their laughter in the classrooms. Our Kindergarten and First Grade teachers have successfully been implementing the Success For All (SFA) Curriculum. The teachers in 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> grades have been working with students with setting goals and student accountability based on student data. Our school has been developing goals and has developed our Strategic Plan. We will continue to focus on increasing reading and math achievement; promoting awareness, knowledge, and practices to provide a safe learning environment; and increasing family and community involvement in order to promote academic success for all students. Please feel free to contact the school office, any staff member or school committee member, or our students to ask about NMES school goals for the 2017-18 school year. We are very excited to be working with all of our students, families, and the community to provide a wonderful school year for all. Thank you for your continued commitment to your child's educational process!

Sincerely,  
  
Cynthia L. Yeater, Principal

### **BORN LEARNING ACADEMY**

NMES is the only school in the Northern Panhandle of WV to receive the Born Learning Academy Grant through the United Way Foundation and Toyota. This is our second year of a three-year grant, and we are very excited to continue this opportunity. We will be holding monthly workshops for children and families of Preschool age (3-5 yrs) children. During these workshops, families will learn how to strengthen their child's foundation for success in school, work, and life. We will provide families with tools and resources to turn everyday activities into learning moments. These workshops will be held the first Thursday of every month from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. beginning Thursday, October 5, 2017 and concluding Thursday, April 5, 2018. There will be a full meal provided at each session for all family members, free childcare, and many prize giveaways. This opportunity is open to all of our community families, not just NMES families. Please help to spread the word!

### **CLASS DOJO**

NMES is continuing our use of Class Dojo to enhance our PBIS program and our school to home communication. If you have not already joined, please contact your child's teacher for the information. I strongly encourage each of you to join, as you will be kept updated with not only your child's behavioral progress but also with information in regards to classroom activities, skills being taught in the classroom, and upcoming events.

### **WEATHER**

With the weather changing on a daily basis, please make sure to dress your child accordingly. All grades go out daily for recess and every grade rotates for morning recess.

## ***COUNSELOR AND PRO'S CORNER***

It has been an exciting start to the school year. Deputy Barnhart and I completed bus safety lessons with Kindergarten and First Grade. I did classroom guidance lessons with Third Grade using a calculator theme to show how to do behaviors that are more desirable and fewer undesirable behaviors. For Fourth Grade I did a lesson on words that can help or hurt friendships where students had to then identify words they have both heard and used themselves. October is Anti-bullying month so that topic will be addressed in all classrooms from Kindergarten through Fourth Grade. I encourage all guardians to have daily conversations with your child or children about what they learned in school and also what went well and perhaps one thing they would like to have been different about the school day. Lastly, I want to encourage attendance since it is a key to school success.

## ***IMPORTANT DATES***

10/2	PTA at 6:15 with 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Performance
10/5	PTA Summer Reading Challenge Reward
10/5	Born Learning Workshop #1 at 5:30 p.m.
10/6	No Preschool ONLY and 2 Hour Early Dismissal K-4 <sup>th</sup> Grades
10/6	“Wild Hair Day”
10/9	No School for Students – Continuing Education for Staff
10/10	“Batman” Anti-Bullying Assembly
10/11	Town Hall Meeting at OGHs at 6:00 p.m. with Mr. Woodward, Superintendent
10/17 – 10/18	Fire Prevention with New Manchester Volunteer Fire Department
10/18	“Fall Into Fun” All School Parent Involvement (K-2 5:00 – 6:00 & 3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> 6:15 – 7:15)
10/21	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Students sing the National Anthem at the Wheeling Nailor Hockey Game
10/24	Picture Day
10/25	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Parent Involvement 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.
10/26	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> 9 Weeks
10/26	Kindergarten “Boo at the Library” Parent Involvement at 6:00 p.m.
10/31	Halloween Parade and Celebration
10/31	PBS Reward



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