

September Weekly Vinal Voice

Week of Monday, September 25 - Friday, September 29, 2023



Principal's Update

A huge thank you goes out to our custodians today for National School Custodian Appreciation Day! We are lucky to have Mr. Fraser, Mr. Nault, and Mr. Ash! They keep Vinal looking great!

Another big THANK YOU goes out to all of the high school students that visited with all of our students on Wednesday! The high schoolers joined all of our classes for Morning Meeting, and then assisted in numerous classrooms and throughout the building for the remainder of the day for Norwell CARES Day.

On Thursday we were visited by the Kindness Ninja, and he has challenged the children to see how many acts of kindness they can complete. Ask your child what acts of kindness they have completed since the challenge began.

The PTO will be hosting our first Stay-and-Play on Friday, October 13th. If your child(ren) plan to attend, please complete the online permission slip below or [HERE](#).

Mrs. LaSalle and Mrs. Carpenito are running a Kindness Club for students in 3rd-5th grade. Click [HERE](#) to learn more.

We encourage everyone to wear orange on October 10th for World Inclusion Day. World Inclusion Day is a day dedicated to ensuring that individuals of various abilities, backgrounds, ages, races, religions, genders, and other characteristics are accepted, welcomed, and treated fairly.



Vinal vs. Cole PTO Kickball Game



An NHS Junior Works with Kindergarten on Norwell CARES Day



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NHS Juniors Worked with 5th Graders & Robots



NHS Sophomores Primed the PTO Storage Container



The Kindness Ninja Visited Vinal on Thursday

Breakfast & Lunch Menus

Click [HERE](#) for the October menus.

Nurse's Update

Presently, there are many respiratory and gastrointestinal viruses circulating. Please help keep our school communities as healthy as possible by following these recommendations if your child is not feeling well.

Fever (>100.0° Fahrenheit or higher), nausea, vomiting, diarrhea:

- Stay home until 24 hours after symptoms resolved AND fever-free for 24 hours without fever-reducing medication.

If your child has tested positive for COVID, please contact the school nurse for guidance on a return date to school.

- They will need to be out of school for 5 days and return on day 6. A mask is required on days 6-10 if the child has not tested negative in that time frame.

Thank you for helping keep our school community healthy this cold and flu season.

Upcoming Dates

Monday, October 2: School Custodian Day
Monday, October 2: Blue Shirt Day
Wednesday, October 4: Elementary Early Release @ 12:20
Thursday, October 5: Bus 15 Expectations Meeting
Friday, October 6: Bus 13 Expectations Meeting
Monday, October 9: No School
Tuesday, October 10: World Inclusion Day - Wear Orange
Tuesday, October 10: Bus 11 Expectations Meeting
Wednesday, October 11: Bus 10 Expectations Meeting
Friday, October 13: Bus 13 Expectations Meeting
Friday, October 13: PTO Stay-and-Play

Your PTO Corner

Thank you for everyone's support of the PTO Annual Appeal - we are hoping to reach our goal of 60% of families contributing (any amount), **can you contribute** to help fund enrichment programs, field trip buses, and teacher appreciation activities at Vinal? You can donate [online here](#) or by sending a check via backpack mail. Thank you!

- 10/13 Oct. Stay & Play ([Submit the required online permission slip here.](#))
- 10/18 PTO Meeting at 7pm [via Zoom](#)
- 10/25-10/26 Scholastic Book Fair! (This is a fundraiser for the Vinal PTO and helps stock our Vinal library each year. So shop away!)
- 10/27 Vinal Spooky Walk
- Special November Parent Social coming in November: Details to come!

We've also begun a new teacher appreciation activity to keep morale high with the teachers: each Friday two teachers win a gift card raffle for ~\$10 each. If you are willing to donate a gift card to your favorite coffee or gift store, please send it along to the PTO.

You can stay up to date by joining our [Facebook Group](#) and following us on [Instagram](#) and checking out [our website](#).

Thank you! ~ Your PTO Board

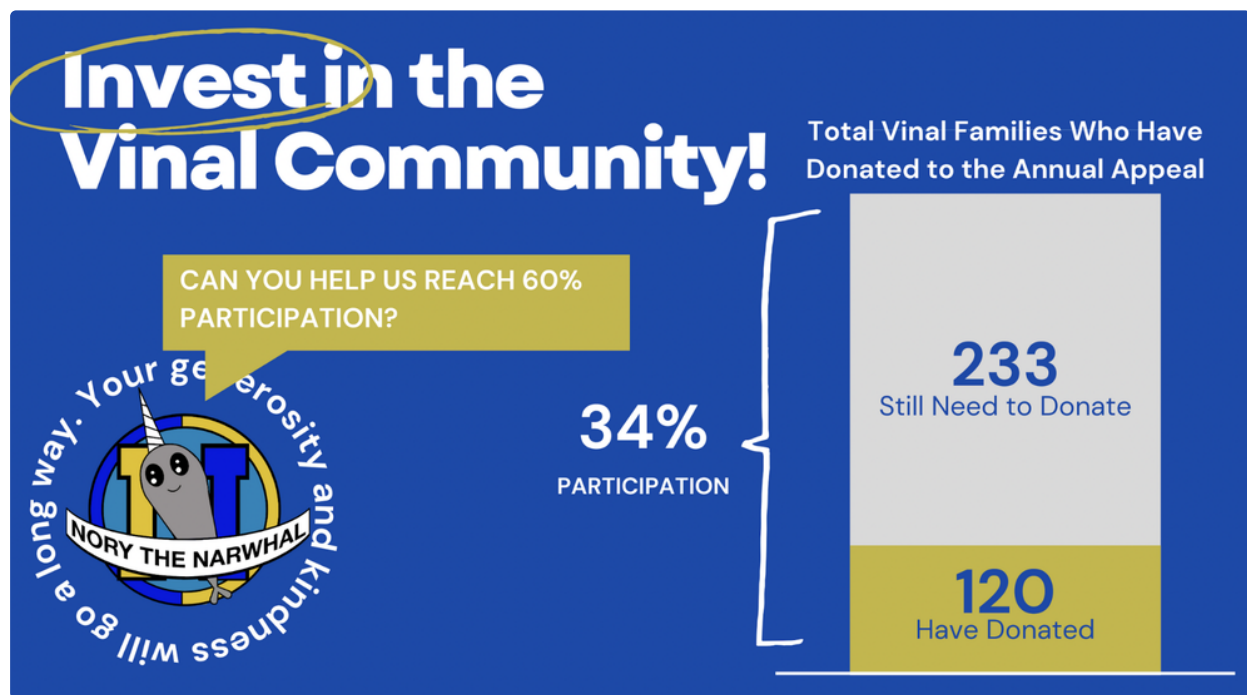
A Halloween-themed poster for a 'Spooky Walk'. The background is dark purple. At the top center is a purple witch hat with an orange buckle. Below it, the words 'Spooky WALK' are written in a large, white, jagged, dripping font. The background is decorated with white silhouettes of bare trees on the left and right, and several grey bats flying in the sky. At the bottom, there are several orange pumpkins with green stems and carved jack-o'-lantern faces. The text 'Save the date! Details to come!' is in the center, followed by 'Friday 27 | October | 2023' and 'Vinal Elementary School Woods www.vinalpto.com' at the bottom.

Spooky WALK

Save the date!
Details to come!

Friday
27 | October | 2023

Vinal Elementary School Woods
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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](#).

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!



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NORWELL YOUTH TRAVEL BASKETBALL

Tryouts 2023-24 @ Norwell High School

Boys

Grade 3: 10/12 (6:00-7:00pm) – 1ST YEAR BEING OFFERED BY PROGRAM

Grade 4: 10/10 (6:00-7:00pm)

Grade 5: 10/10 (7:00-8:00pm)

Grade 6: 10/12 (7:00-8:00pm)

Grade 7: 10/12 (8:00-9:00pm)

Grade 8: 10/10 (8:00-9:00pm)

Register:

***must be a Norwell Resident**

****Tryouts being held at Norwell High School**

*****Anyone who cannot attend one of the tryouts above is free to attend another session, please just notify the league of this via the email address below**

******Any parents interested in coaching should notify the league**

Questions?

Email: norwelltravelbball@gmail.com

Norwell Council on Aging



Navigating Dementia Series flyer 2023.pdf

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