

A Few Words from the Principal

Happy New Year! At NMS we quickly returned to the routine during the first week of 2022! Of course, the snow day on Friday may have thrown us for a loop, but students and faculty are ready to tackle all that comes our way this year as they have always done!

This Thursday, January 13, the Grade 6 Band and Chorus will perform their winter concert at Norwell High School at 7 PM. Please come listen to the students who have been working hard to prepare for their first show as middle school students.

During winter, there tend to be more absences and we appreciate students staying home when they are sick. Please remember it is a student's responsibility to make up what they missed when they are absent and we will help as needed. When at home, students can check Schoology to see what they are missing and if feeling okay should complete what they are able. If they cannot complete the assignments due to missing information or directions, they should check in with their teacher upon their return to school. To catch up on missed work, students might plan on staying for late night with their teacher, in the library, or with Homework Club. There is math support offered by the Math Tutors and organizational support available on the [NMS Guidance website](#).

Thank you, have a good week, and be kind.

~ Mr. Sulc

Calendar

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| Monday, 1/10/22 | Day 1 |
| Tuesday, 1/11/22 | Day 2 |
| Wednesday, 1/12/22 | Day 1 |
| Thursday, 1/13/22 | Day 2 |
| Friday, 1/14/22 | Day 1 |
| Monday, 1/17/22 | NO SCHOOL MLK Jr. Day |
| Tuesday, 1/18/22 | Day 2 |
| Wednesday, 1/19/22 | Day 1 |
| Thursday, 1/20/22 | Day 2 |
| Friday, 1/21/22 | Day 1 |
| END of QUARTER #2 | |

LUNCH ORDERS

In order to have more accurate lunch counts, **all students** need to complete an **order form** each morning.

GRADE 6 Band & Chorus Concert
Thursday, January 13 at 7 PM
Norwell High School Auditorium

NMS YEARBOOK

All students can now order this year's NMS Yearbook by [clicking here](#).

The cost is \$30 if ordered by January 10.
The price will increase after that.

From the NMS PTO

We hope everybody had a wonderful winter break. Here's hoping for a happy and healthy 2022!

- **Next PTO Meeting:** Friday, January 21 at 9AM. Location: TBD in person or Zoom. email nmspto@gmail.com to be sure to get the Zoom link
- **Anytime Shopping:** Shop with Amazon Smile or Minted and the NMS PTO gets a percentage back!
 - **Amazon Smile:** smile.amazon.com/ch/83-0839693
 - **Minted:** Use FUNDRAISENORWELL for 20% off
- **NMS Student Directories** are available to be ordered for \$5. You can get your copy by emailing Cara Rinaldi (cecorbett@gmail.com) as well as paying \$5 by Venmo (@NMSPTO) or sending \$5 to the NMS office in an envelope addressed to the NMS PTO.
- **Keep informed of PTO happenings via**
 - [the PTO link on the Norwell Schools website](#)
 - [NMS Facebook group](#)

Reminders

Absence Reporting

- Please report student absences to the office as soon as possible.
- You can report absences by
 - calling the absence line: 781-659-8814 x1206 and leaving a message.
 - sending an email to Mrs. Pellicano at kara.pellicano@norwellschools.org.

Dismissing a Student during the School Day

- Please send a note to the office the morning of the dismissal.
- If there is not a note, parent/guardian will need to enter the building to sign their student out.
- Please provide a written note if somebody other than a parent/guardian is picking up a student during the day for dismissal.

Forgotten Items

- When bringing in a forgotten item for a student, please leave it with a label on the "I Forgot It" table by the front office.
- It is a student's responsibility to check the table for the forgotten item.
- If a student does not call home for the item, please do not bring the item to school as they likely do not need it.

Cell Phones

- Students' cell phones should be off and in their locker or bag during the day.
- Parents / guardians should not text or call their students' cell phone during the school day as it disrupts the class. Messages can be left at the office for students.



FEDERATION FOR CHILDREN
WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Basic Rights: Understanding the IEP

A Free Virtual Workshop for Parents and Professionals

This presentation will delve into the Individual Education Program (IEP) document, its development, the breakdown of each section and understanding how the document will support a student.

Workshop Topics:

- *Why the IEP is Important*
- *Who is eligible for an IEP*
- *How the IEP is Developed*
- *Strengths and Concerns*
- *Vision Statements*
- *IEP Sections including PLEP A & B, Annual Goals and Service Delivery Grid*
- *Differences between Accommodations and Modifications*
- *Response, Placement and Consent*
- *Procedural Safeguards and more!*



About Your Host:

Norwell SEPAC is a group of members that meet regularly to discuss special education services (IEP and 504) and how they related to students in Norwell. The SEPAC also offers families resources, workshops, and information throughout the year.

Date: **January 12, 2022**

Time: **6:30-8:30**

Registration Link:

https://fcsn-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpcuivqDMqG9ArJbipyhrj5rvXNrAGI_6F

For more information about the educational workshops available from
The Federation for Children with Special Needs,
please visit us at fcsn.org/ptic/workshops or email: workshops@fcsn.org

Click the following link to Register for the Workshop:

https://fcsn-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpcuivqDMqG9ArJbipyhrj5rvXNrAGI_6F