



# OCTOBER 2017



## ATTENDANCE

Our attendance office is located in the elementary office. When bringing in a student after 8:00 AM, please sign him/her in. Also, when picking up a student **before** the 2:50 dismissal time, parents will need to come to the elementary entrance vestibule to sign the student out. The 2:50 **regular dismissal** pick up area is located in the cafeteria which should be accessed through the door on the side of the building that goes directly into the cafeteria. If your child is going to be absent from school, letting Nurse Laughlin (ext. 4032) know what is "going around" is helpful. Please send a signed written excuse when your child returns to school. Daily attendance is essential for students to achieve academic success. Help us help the children by having them here regularly **and** on-time!



## Fire Prevention Week

In early October, the Newfield Volunteer Fire Company will be coming to the elementary school to teach our students about fire safety. We appreciate the fire department's dedicated members who volunteer every year for this very worthwhile program.

## Did you know?

For years Newfield Elementary has implemented a PBIS system. The acronym stands for **Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports**, and it is a systematic way of preventing problem behaviors in our building. Daily our faculty and staff guide and/or reinforce appropriate behaviors in all school environments. Please see the attached matrix for the information we are teaching your student in his/her settings. Each month we focus on a specific trait to teach and support school wide. In September we developed "cooperation" by teaching our Otter Code of Conduct.

Each month see the "Counselor News" page of this newsletter to review the lessons that Mrs. Charsky taught in the grade level classrooms to help the students further understand the "trait of the month."

## PICTURE DAY

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

This year's the elementary picture day will be 10/11/17. The make-up day will be 11/17/17. You will have the options of sending your order and money in with your child or ordering online. Order envelopes will go home approximately one week before the picture date on 10/11.

For online ordering the website can be reached at [my.lifetouch.com](http://my.lifetouch.com). Online ordering is an option for busy parents that may have forgotten about pictures because orders can be placed up until 48 hours after portrait day. Parents can log on and enter the picture day ID and their student's name. The picture day ID is the unique code assigned to our picture day. This code is found on the picture day flyer, it is: WL017021Y0.

If you have any questions please be in touch with Linda Seaney ([lseaney@newfieldschools.org](mailto:lseaney@newfieldschools.org)) or Tracy Wall. ([twall@newfieldschools.org](mailto:twall@newfieldschools.org))

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## OCTOBER CALENDAR

10/9 No School—  
Columbus Day

10/11 Elementary Picture Day

10/11 Reading Made Easy  
5:45 p.m. PK-Gr. 1 parents

10/27 No School for students—  
Sup't Conf Day

## NOVEMBER CALENDAR

11/10 NO SCHOOL—  
Veterans Day observance

11/10 Marking Period Ends

11/17+ 11/30 PT Conf.  
Elem students **released at 10:30**

11/17 Report Cards Home

11/22-11/24 NO SCHOOL  
Thanksgiving Holiday

**HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HALLOWEEN!**



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 CEP forms due today (Free/Reduced lunch eligibility forms)	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 NO SCHOOL Columbus Day	10 Fire Prevention	11 Elem Fall Picture Day Reading Made Easy— 5:45 P.M. ES Library Parents PK-Gr. 1	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 NO SCHOOL— SUP'T Conf. Day	28
29	30	31				

Becky Charsky

School Counselor

**PBIS Topic of the Month:**

**COOPERATION**

**Question:**

Ask your children if they like working together to help each other reach a common goal.

***PBIS Lessons: Grades K & 1***



During the K & 1<sup>st</sup> grade PBIS lessons we read the book, *Stone Soup* by Marcia Brown. This book teaches about how a small village cooperated by working together to make soup that feed the entire village and three visiting soldiers.

**WELCOME BACK !**

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***PBIS Lessons: Grades 2 & 3***



During the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade PBIS lessons we defined what Cooperation means, we completed a cooperation booklet about how we show cooperation toward classmates and friends. Then we played a Mystery Task game where teams had to work together to solve the problem.

***PBIS Lessons: Grades 4 & 5***



During the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade PBIS lessons we defined cooperation and completed the Marshmallow Challenge. Each team got the same amount of materials. The challenge was to build the tallest freestanding structure.

***NEXT MONTH: A Bully Proof School !***

	Classroom	Hallway, Stairs & Lockers	Playground	Bathroom	Cafeteria	Library/Computer Lab	Special (Art, Music, PE)	Assembly/ Field Trip	Bus	Before School/After School	Bus Loading Zone
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walk.</li> <li>Hands, feet and objects to self.</li> <li>All furniture legs on floor.</li> <li>Get adult help for accidents/balls of if another student is bothering you.</li> </ol> <p>Be Safe</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walk in line facing forward.</li> <li>Stay to the right.</li> <li>Keep hands, feet, and backpack to self.</li> <li>Take stairs one step at a time.</li> <li>Open/close lockers slowly.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inform playground staff of any problems.</li> <li>Dress for the weather.</li> <li>Keep hands and feet to self.</li> <li>Stay in the designated areas.</li> <li>What is on the ground, stays on the ground.</li> <li>Walk and stay on sidewalk/crosswalk to playground.</li> <li>Follow the playground rules.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wash hands with soap.</li> <li>Put towels in garbage can.</li> <li>Keep floors and walls dry.</li> <li>No climbing on bench facing table.</li> <li>Clean up spills.</li> <li>Follow the cafeteria rules with 2 hands.</li> <li>Do not share food.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All furniture legs on floor.</li> <li>Hands and feet to self.</li> <li>Stay in designated areas.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wait for directions.</li> <li>Use materials appropriately.</li> <li>Ask for help if you are unsure.</li> <li>Be aware of activities or games around you.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stay with your class, group, or buddy.</li> <li>Keep hands, feet, and objects to self.</li> <li>Sit with a safe space around you and on your bottom.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stay in your seat and wear your seatbelt.</li> <li>Face forward.</li> <li>Use quiet voices.</li> <li>Keep hands, feet, and objects to self.</li> <li>No eating or drinking.</li> <li>Keep aisles clear.</li> <li>Wait for driver's signal to cross.</li> <li>Get adult help if a student is bothering you.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check in.</li> <li>Keep hands, feet and objects to self.</li> <li>Follow the hallway rules when entering/exiting.</li> <li>Get adult help if there is a problem.</li> <li>Stay in designated areas.</li> <li>Follow all school rules.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stay on sidewalk until all buses are stopped.</li> <li>Walk in line facing forward.</li> <li>Stay with designated adult.</li> <li>Keep hands, feet, and objects to self.</li> <li>Go directly to your bus and stay on bus.</li> <li>Wear backpacks safely.</li> </ol>	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use kind words.</li> <li>Be a good friend.</li> <li>Help others/share.</li> <li>Be honest.</li> </ol> <p>Be Caring</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greet others.</li> <li>Hold door for person behind you.</li> <li>Help others if needed.</li> <li>Pick up litter.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invite/ include others to play.</li> <li>Play safe.</li> <li>Play fair.</li> <li>Share.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Practices good table manners.</li> <li>Put trash in trashbin.</li> <li>Be CRT stations to dispose of food/garbage.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use quiet voices.</li> <li>Use kind words.</li> <li>Be a good listener.</li> <li>Line-up quietly.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Help others/share.</li> <li>Use kind words.</li> <li>Try your best.</li> <li>Include everyone/ teamwork.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter and exit quietly.</li> <li>Appropriate audience behavior.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use kind words.</li> <li>Be a good friend.</li> <li>Invite/include others to play.</li> <li>Help others/share.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use kind words.</li> <li>Be a good friend.</li> <li>Invite/include others to play.</li> <li>Help others/share.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use kind words.</li> <li>Be a good friend.</li> <li>Invite/include others to play.</li> <li>Help others/share.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Help others if needed.</li> <li>Hold the door for person behind you.</li> </ol>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raise hand.</li> <li>Quiet voices.</li> <li>Ask permission to see or use others property.</li> <li>Wait your turn.</li> <li>Be quiet when you hear the clapping signal.</li> <li>Put things where they belong.</li> </ol> <p>Be Respectful</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respect personal space.</li> <li>Quiet voices and feet.</li> <li>Admire art/posters on the walls with eyes only.</li> <li>Listen to and follow adult direction.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use equipment properly.</li> <li>Return equipment.</li> <li>Use appropriate language.</li> <li>Follow adult instructions immediately.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flush toilet and others privacy.</li> <li>Use quiet voices.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use indoor voices.</li> <li>Look for an empty space to sit.</li> <li>Use your own food.</li> <li>Clean up your area.</li> <li>Raise your hand for help.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Treat books and equipment properly.</li> <li>Wait your turn for book check out.</li> <li>Push chairs in.</li> <li>Raise your hand.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use books, supplies, and equipment properly.</li> <li>Clean up.</li> <li>Use appropriate voice level.</li> <li>Be quiet on signal.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ask appropriate questions.</li> <li>Use appropriate responses (e.g., applause, saying thank you).</li> <li>Be considerate of others and use your manners.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter and exit the bus peacefully.</li> <li>Keep seat area clean.</li> <li>Listen to and follow driver's directions.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep track of personal belongings.</li> <li>Respect others' property.</li> <li>Clean up materials you use.</li> <li>Listen to and follow adult directions.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wait for other classes to pass.</li> <li>Be aware of others around you.</li> <li>Respect personal space.</li> </ol>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be on time.</li> <li>Have supplies &amp; assignments ready.</li> <li>Listen and follow directions the first time.</li> <li>Do quality work.</li> </ol> <p>Be Here, Be Ready</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stay together.</li> <li>Everybody ready before leaving the room.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dress appropriately for the weather.</li> <li>Line up on signal.</li> <li>Use the bathroom/get drink before recess.</li> <li>Have fun!</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep unnecessary objects in the classroom.</li> <li>Be in your own space.</li> <li>Return to class quickly when finished.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sit in one spot.</li> <li>Obtain all materials before sitting down.</li> <li>Wait for teacher signal to line up or take tray up.</li> <li>Follow cafeteria staff directions.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listen and follow adult directions.</li> <li>Return books on time.</li> <li>Make friends with books!</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listen and follow adult directions.</li> <li>Be ready to participate.</li> <li>Come prepared.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listen and follow adult directions.</li> <li>Use the bathroom/get drink before the performance or activity.</li> <li>Relax and enjoy!</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be at bus stop on time.</li> <li>Find seat quickly and quietly.</li> <li>Have a safe ride!</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Put belongings in appropriate storage area.</li> <li>Begin homework if you have it.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listen and follow directions.</li> <li>Have all materials and notes before you leave the building.</li> </ol>