



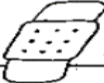
It's Elementary

November 2020

Virtual Parent/Teacher Conferences

Teachers will notify all parents regarding setting up Parent/Teacher Conferences. This is a wonderful opportunity to find out how your child is doing in school and get suggestions to support him/her at home. This year P/T conferences will be held virtually or by phone on Wednesday, November 18th. There will be NO SCHOOL this day for elementary students.



Nurse  *Notes*

Dear Parents,
 Thank you so much for contacting me with questions, and keeping your children home from school if they do not feel well. This year is different than the past. If I need to send home 1 child with a COVID symptom, I need to send the whole family home. Please continue to remind your kids to wash their hands, social distance and wear their masks in public.
 Stay safe, smart and healthy,
 Nurse Laughlin, RN
claughlin@newfieldschools.org
 564-9953 ext. 4032



REPORT CARDS

Report Cards will be sent home on Friday, November 13th. Questions regarding your child's progress can be addressed by contacting his/her teacher.



Virtual Book Fair Coming to the elementary school:

You can use the link here to shop our virtual book fair. The link will not be live until November 1st.

<https://efairs.follettbookfairs.com/guest/home?classCode=M73LP>



BIG RED BUDDIES PROGRAM CONTINUES

Newfield elementary has benefitted from hosting Cornell athletes since 2014. We are pleased to announce that the volunteer program will continue in a virtual capacity. Please see the notification on the following page.

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 Newfield, NY 14867
 564-9955
 L. Gillette, Principal



November Dates:

11/1-11/14 Virtual Book Fair

11/11 Veterans Day observance -NO SCHOOL

11/13 Report Cards home

11/18 P/T Conferences
NO SCHOOL FOR ES STUDENTS

11/25-11/27 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Break

Stay tuned for information on our "Early Go Home Drill."

DECEMBER DATES:

12/24-1/3/21 NO SCHOOL Holiday Break



Big Red Buddies: Virtual Cornell Student-Athlete Volunteers

Since 2014, Newfield has had the privilege of benefitting from dedicated CU student-athlete volunteers in our school. They have provided countless volunteer hours of playing and learning with our students in the classrooms, playgrounds, cafeterias, etc. Although this year is different, Cornell students very much want to connect with our students virtually to help support them during this challenging time: whether that's talking with them about their interests and what's happening in their lives, playing a virtual game, or helping them with their school work (reading, writing or math tutoring). *This will start as an Email Pen Pal, but can also include Google Meets.*

All of our Big Red Buddies will have completed background checks and a safety training through Cornell Risk Management. We currently have 44 Newfield students signed up for a virtual Cornell Big Red Buddy. ***The first 50 students will be prioritized,** and then we will use a wait-list as we try to add more CU volunteers if needed.

*Please note that all Pen Pal emails will be through a parent/guardian- NOT directly with the student- and that for a Google Meet live virtual meeting, a designated adult in the home must be within proximity of the child (this is Cornell policy).

Thank you for your interest in our program! We look forward to the time when we can have our outstanding Big Red Buddies back in the building, and we are grateful for their passionate commitment to our Newfield students.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jamie McCaffrey, School Social Worker at jmccaffrey@newfieldschools.org or 564-9955 ext. 1213.

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This month I'd like to remind our Newfield Community that self-care during these times is so important.

Here are **4 SUPER EASY SELF CARE TIPS:**

- 1. Eat. And eat well.** **f**ind some healthy on-the-go foods to keep **ready** in your kitchen.
- 2. Go to bed on time.** **t**ry to keep a **regular bedtime**, no matter what is going on. If you're tired or sleep-deprived, you'll be less effective at the tasks that you need to complete.
- 3. Take a break.** **i**t is absolutely fine to stop what you're doing and take a **break**, no matter how busy life is at the moment. Sometimes, taking just a few minutes to yourself is enough to **reset your mind and your body**.
- 4. Ask for help.** **a**sking for help is actually a form of **self-care** too. Knowing that you DON'T have to be the one to take care of everything will **create a sense of calm**. Reach out, ask for help from those around you.

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