

VEWCOMBCENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Oct. 8th Sup't. Conf. Day

Oct. 11th Columbus Day



TREKKING INTO A NEW YEAR!

A message from Superintendent Chris Fisher

On Friday, September 10th, NCS students and staff members kicked off the new school year with an organized Trek. Students in grades three through twelve made the journey all the way out to the Great Camp Santanoni for the day and students in grades kindergarten through second grade hiked to the farm. Upon reaching their destinations, students participated in a tour, learned about the history of the great camp and the farm and participated in a number of cross-curricular and standards-based activities that tied to content areas. The day ended with all students and staff members meeting at the farm together to walk the last mile out to the parking lot.

The Trek Committee worked tirelessly prior to the start of school to organize the event and ensure that the experience was educationally relevant, fun and safe for all who participated. Their hard work and effort was evident in the outcome of the day's events. Students were seen chatting, laughing and enjoying camaraderie with their teachers and peers and a true sense of school community and spirit could be felt. The experience was a huge success and allowed students and staff members alike an opportunity to celebrate the start of the new school year in an enthusiastic and positive manner.

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Learning beyond the classroom is something that has always been valued at NCS. The Trek Committee hopes to design more adventures this school year. Stay tuned for more information about where we may go next!

New Changes and New Faces at NCS:

Fall marks changing leaves, changes in daylight and changes in temperatures. This year, fall also brings about many staffing changes at Newcomb Central School. Over the next few months, the district will experience a significant turnover with some of our seasoned staff members. We will be celebrating retirements and welcoming new teachers and staff to our building. We would like to extend our appreciation to the school community for your patience as we train and transition our new team members.



The end of this month marks the closing of a door, and the opening of a window, for NCS' long-time healthcare provider Mrs. Bolan. After many years of providing care for the students and faculty and staff of Newcomb, Mrs. Bolan embarks on the next chapter in her journey, labeled, "retirement." Her professionalism, wisdom and commitment will surely be missed!

Below are a few responses from the student body when asked, "What was the best part about having Mrs. Bolan in our building?"

"She really looked out for us. Really checked on us and looked into things when we were hurt."-Eadie

"She did a lot of progressive stuff. She was part of the Green Team and climate stuff. She tried to help the world." -Rowan

"She was always really nice to all of the students and did her best to make us feel better."- Katlin

"She was so organized. Always had everything that we needed to make us feel better." - Hope

"Being able to see her. She helped us get better so we could get back to class."-Taylor

"She's always there if you need something!"- Kendall

"Her outfits! They're awesome! She always looks so proper!" -Eldaa

Reaching retirement is an enormous accomplishment in life. On behalf of the Newcomb Board of Education, the student body, and the faculty and staff, we would like to congratulate Mrs. Bolan on this happy occasion. Although it is hard to say goodbye, we extend well wishes for a long, happy, and healthy retirement!



Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Caryn Draper as our afternoon office receptionist. Caryn joins us with many years of experience in front office management. We are so fortunate to have Caryn join our NCS team!

ELA - Units of Study

PJ Motsiff, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Orienteering is the sport of navigation—often held in unfamiliar terrain—using a map and compass! This school year our elementary teachers are in the process of planning a trip for their students. They are headed on a journey that they have never been on with the delivery of our new language arts program. The Units of Study as they are referred to include Reader's and Writer's Workshop. The format includes a mini lesson, independent work, individual and small group conferences, a mid-workshop teaching point and ends with students sharing their work.

In order to assist teachers in mapping out their inaugural trip this year, the school district brought in Jean Tribuzzi, an independent consultant with the Units of Study. She visited last spring and then again on September 21 and 22 to create a two-year plan to meet the New York State learning standards. This new way to deliver ELA lessons is deliberately designed to offer a simple and predictable environment so that the teacher can focus on the complex work of observing students' progress and teaching into their needs

From The Guidance Office

SENIORS:

- All seniors going off to college will need to fill out the <u>FAFSA</u> beginning in *OCTOBER*. You can apply on-line, which saves a lot of time. Before you can do that <u>you and a parent</u> need to register for a *FSA ID*. To get your *FSA ID* you can go to <u>www.fsaid.ed.gov</u>. If your parents or siblings have a PIN, they can "link" their PIN number to their FSA ID. This will aid in transferring your information from PIN to your FSA ID. When you receive your FSA ID number go to <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u> to apply for Financial Aid. Financial Aid forms can be filled out beginning in October this year, using last year's tax returns. You should do this right away. Doing them on-line is much faster and easier.
- Check your application deadlines! Applications should be out <u>by</u> December 1st. (Check your college deadline dates) If you want your transcripts to go out before Thanksgiving, you need to let me know which colleges to send them to by **November 12, 2021.**
- Please check your application before you send it out. Check spellings, print neatly, and check your grammar!!
- Ask at least 2 teachers to write you a letter of recommendation to keep in my office so that I can send them out with your applications.
- *VISIT* the colleges you plan to apply to! You are going to want to be at a place that you like. You won't know that unless you take a tour. This year you may have to take your tour virtually, but it is still important to see the campus you plan to live.
- I need your updated Transcripts or Resumes so that I can send the college's accurate information. Please list all activities you have done grades 9-12, so that I don't forget anything. Please include any Volunteer Work you have done. Remember, volunteering means you are not receiving money for the work you are doing. Example: Class fundraising is not Volunteer work. You are receiving money for a senior trip for all class fundraising activities.

If you have any comments, suggestions, or would like to add an article to the bulletin, you can e-mail them to Pam Bush at pbush@newcombcsd.org



DATES TO REMEMBER

November 6, 2021 December 4, 2021

March 12, 2022 May 7, 2022 June 4, 2022

Registration Dates

October 6, 2021 November 4, 2021 February 11, 2022 April 7, 2022 May 5, 2022

ACT DATES

October 23, 2021 December 11, 2021 February 12, 2022 April 2, 2022 June 11, 2022

Register By:

September 17, 2021 November 5, 2021 January 7, 2022 February 25, 2022 May 6, 2022

Newcomb Central School CEEB Code is: 333-330. You will need to know that when you register to take the exams, so that I will receive your test scores.

DATES FOR JUNIORS TO REMEMBER

PSAT: Wednesday, October 13, 2021 @ 8 a.m.

All juniors (No international students) will take the PSAT at no cost to you. The purpose of taking this exam is to give you an idea what the SAT exams are like. This is a learning tool to help you prepare for the May/June SAT. Depending on how well you do, you <u>MAY</u> qualify for a merit scholarship.

Reminder to parents of 3rd through 8th grade students

New York State testing will be in March through June. Please make sure your children get plenty of rest before their exams. Also, if you can help it, *please make sure your child does not miss school on the day of an exam*. These exams will be very difficult to make up. Please review the schedule below. Thank you for your support.

3-8 ELA: March 29th- April 5th, 2022 3-8 Math: April 26th- May 4th, 2022

Grade 4 Science Performance Test: May 24-June 3, 2022 Grade 8 Science Performance Test: May 24-June 3, 2022 Grades 4 & 8 Science Written Test: Monday, June 6, 2022

It is so nice to have everyone back to school! Happy Fall!

The colors are beginning to come out! The mountains are absolutely beautiful in the Fall!!

Mrs. Markwica

CLASS NEWS

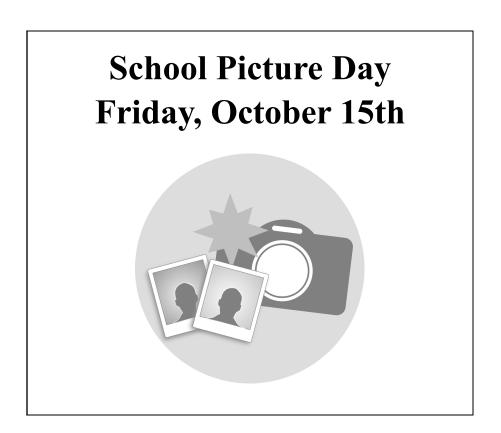
The Class of 2022 would like to thank everyone who supported us at our Newcomb Day and TR Weekend Lunch.

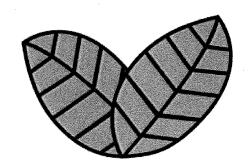
We are continuing our bottles and cans redemption effort. Please let us know if you have a donation you would like to make by contacting lchase@newcombcsd.org or 518-582-3659. We can pick them up.

To date, the Class has donated 57 pounds of pull tabs to the Ronald McDonald House.

The Class will be visiting homes to take orders for Apples, Potatoes, Pies and Syrup in the next two weeks. We will not be entering homes and will be masked during our visit to ensure the health of our community. We ask that you wear a mask if you have any medical considerations. If you prefer, we can leave an order form in your door and orders can be emailed to lchase@newcombcsd.org or called in to 518-582-3659.

We would like to thank you in advance for your support and willingness to help us in keeping everyone safe and healthy. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again!





FALL YARD WORK

Class Of 2023

skeglovits@newcombcsd.org

PHONE - 518-582-3333

Dates: October 2 -November 13

WEEKENDS ONLY

**Dates Subject to Change

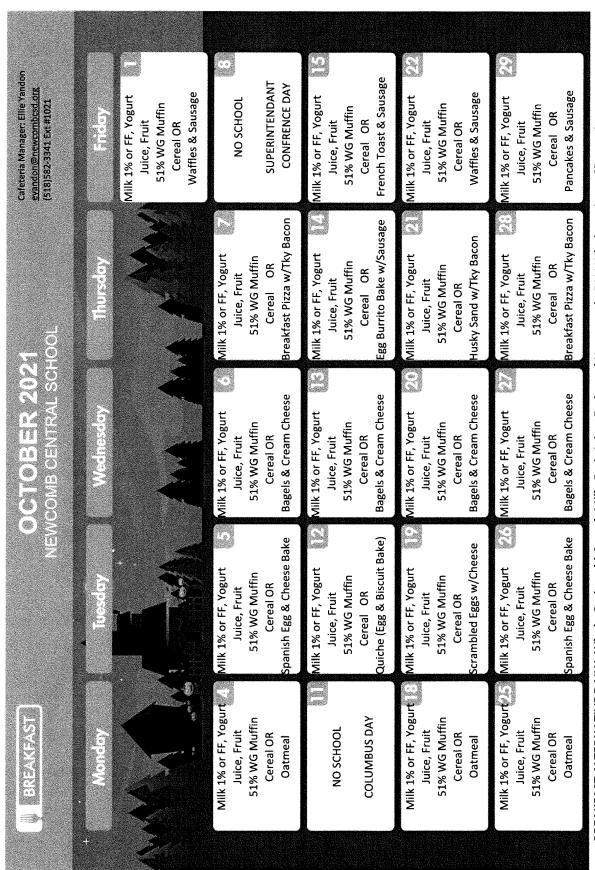
CONTACT SCOTT KEGLOVITS TO RESERVE NOW. DATES WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE WEATHER AND WE WILL CONTACT YOU. WE WILL SERVE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS. CONTACT INFORMATION IS ABOVE





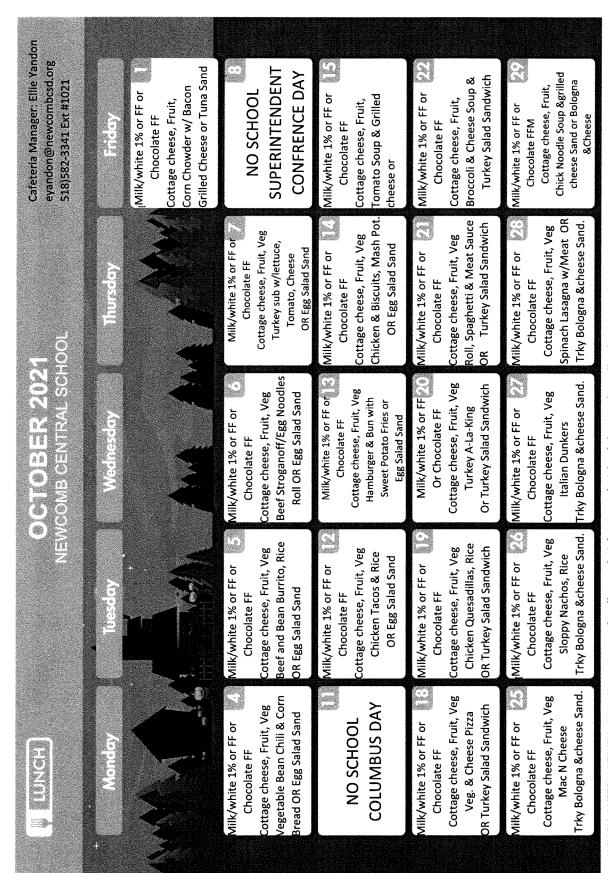
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2021-2022 Yearbook Happy Ads

This year we would like to offer the families and community to participate in our Happy Ad Campaign. All donations help keep our yearbook costs down.

Happy Ads start at \$10 a message Business card 1/8th Page is \$25

Please return by December 1, 2021

Yes!	
would like to bu	e of your organization or family) uy a Newcomb Central School yearbook ad. If there are an
questions, the	best way to contact me is:
Please use the	attached business card for ad
I will email a di	gital file/artwork to dbernat@newcombcsd.org
Please have st	udents' create ad based on information below:
I have enclosed School-Yearbook	d a check made out to Newcomb Central
Please mail to:	Newcomb Central School - Yearbook PO Box 418

Thank you all for your continued support!

Newcomb, NY 12852























POEMS INSPIRED BY THE SANTANONI TREK

Still Room

by Sarah Gocke

I lay there almost asleep feeling the cold ground beneath me. I am pulled back to reality by the gentle, yet strong, waves beating repetitively on the shore. I open my eyes one at a time. The canvas walls that were once robust are now old and stained with mold. Much of the canvas sagged off the wall as if it had bad posture. I look at the sink dripping water making a steady beat. Doing my best to move as little as possible, I turn my head to the right and slowly reach out to touch the metal feet of the tub. I stick my finger through a hole made by time and rust. The feet of the tub almost seem weary from holding up the heavy porcelain chipped tub for years. I see a mirror at my feet, cloudy to the point I couldn't see myself in it. It begs the question. What did it look like in time past? I close my eyes and enjoy the feeling of the ancient house swaying in the wind and a stem of goldenrod stabbing between the maple wood floorboards rubbing against my leg. I take a deep breath and cough uncontrollably. It must be the mold in the walls. I pry myself off the ground limb by limb and get ready to leave. I wave goodbye to the mirror and say goodbye to the smell of mothballs, feeling the wind whip through me once more, making me ready to leave. And I know the room is preparing for its next guest.

by Jaydn Whitefield

Shades of green all around, Gentle stillness surrounds. We talk with the rustling trees, Your footsteps are following you and mine are following me.

The cabin has an empty silence, The cool wind is my only guidance. I'm all alone walking around, I can hear such calming sounds.

White wallpaper peels, That's what almost seals the deal. The water washes into the rocks, It feels almost as if it talks.

The flowers all around me are so low, I can feel my peace grow, But then the whistle blew and it was time to go.

POEMS INSPIRED BY THE SANTANONI TREK

My Reach

by Emily Fifield

I can see it all.

The towering, green pine trees,

The rough waters flowing around the rocks and trees,

The mountains in the far distance

I can hear it all.

The repetitive whooshing of the wind,

The loud chirping from the birds

The creaking of the tall trees

I can feel it all.

The cold wind blowing in my face,

The hardwood underneath me,

The rough sand on the floor.

I can smell it all.

The fresh air from the mountains,

The sweet smell of the trees,

And the smell of dirt from the mud below the dock.

Everything is within my reach.



From the Health Office

FAREWELL

After almost 3 decades at Newcomb Central School, it is with mixed emotions that I am retiring. Although I am excited to begin this new chapter of my life, I will certainly miss the smiles of our students, the joy of helping to educate and improve their health, and providing opportunities for enrichment. Standouts include the PTSO, Lip Sync, the Exploring Humanities through Film course, the HIV curricula, treks, peer group, World AIDS Day, Secret Santa Shop, watching our athletes compete, and various health classes.

Thank you to our stellar faculty and staff - for your camaraderie, support, and all the laughter throughout the years. Thank you to our students - for your unique insights and for helping to keep me inquisitive.

I wish health, happiness and success to you all. Mrs. Bolan

From the Sports Corner

Basketball coaches are needed at the Modified and Varsity Levels.

If interested, please contact Millie Winslow at 518-582-3341

or

send an email to <u>miwinslow@newcombcsd.org</u>.



OCTOBER SOCCER GAME SCHEDULE

Scheduled dates and times are subject to change. Please refer to the school's website at newcombcsd.org on the Athletics page.

10/1	GV @ Long Lake, 4:30 start BV vs. Kings @ Newcomb, 4:30 start
10/4	BV vs. Indian/Long Lake @ Schroon Lake, 4:30 start
10/5	GM vs. Keene @ Schroon Lake, 4:30 start GV vs. Keene @ Newcomb, 4:30 start BM & BV @ Keene, 4:30 start
10/7	GM & GV @ Crown Point, 4:30 start
10/8	GM @ Johnsburg, 5:30 start GV vs. Kings, 4:30 start (game site pending) BM vs. Crown Point @ Schroon Lake, 4:30 start BV vs. Crown Point @ Newcomb, 4:30 start
10/9	BV @ Bouquet (Camp Dudley), 4:00 start
10/11	BM & BV @ Chazy, 4:00 start
10/12	GM vs. Minerva/Johnsburg @ Newcomb, 4:00 start GV vs. Minerva/Johnsburg @ Schroon Lake, 4:00 start
10/13	BM @ Minerva, 4:00 start BV @ Johnsburg, 4:00 start
10/14	GM vs. Willsboro @ Newcomb, 4:00 start GV vs. Willsboro @ Schroon Lake, 4:00 start
10/15	BM & BV @ Willsboro, 4:00 start
10/18	Elementary @ Long Lake, 4:00 start
10/19	GV & BV Prelim Games TBD
10/20	Elementary @ Newcomb, 4:00 start BV Quarterfinals TBD
10/21	GV Quarterfinals TBD
10/22	Elementary @ Minerva, 4:00 start
10/25	GV & BV Semifinals TBD
10/30	GV & BV Finals @ Beekmantown TBD



f UPCOMING IN THE f DISTRICT

October 2021

- 8
- Mid-Marking Period NO SCHOOL Supt. Conference Day NO SCHOOL Columbus Day 8
- 11
- Board of Education Meeting, 6pm 14
- 15 Picture Day

November 2021

- 10 **Emergency Release Day**
- 11
- Veterans' Day—NO SCHOOL Board of Education Meeting, 6pm 11
- 12 End of 1st Marking Period
- 24-26 Thanksgiving Recess

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