



New Paltz Middle School

From the desk of Mrs. Ann Sheldon, Principal:

The fall weather is upon us. The crisp feel of the air and the crackle of leaves under our feet are sure signs. We have been very busy here at the Middle School. Our library is now open providing our students with many books and learning opportunities. Many students have been on field trips outside the classroom and even more opportunities are coming up in the next couple of weeks. We have settled into a nice routine here at the Middle School. Thank you for all your support.

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All my best ... Mrs. Ann Sheldon

Middle School Mission Statement

"The New Paltz Middle School is a community of students, parents, teachers, administrators, and support staff that creates a nurturing and supportive environment where learners feel safe to set goals, achieve success, and work towards fulfilling their potential. Ideals such as compassion, empathy, lasting friendships, academic achievement, and personal growth are encouraged daily within our learning community."

Dates to remember:

| October 23-October 31-Red Ribbon Week/Sprit Week | |
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| October 23— "Mix it Up Day"—Lunch periods | |
| October 24—7th Grade Field Trip—Rhinebeck Theatre | - Bar |
| October 24—Don't Be a Monster Assembly—6th Grade | in mit |
| October 25–8th Grade Field Trip—9/11 Museum and Observatory | |
| October 26—First Co-Rec— Wear Halloween colors— 7-9 pm | |
| October 31- Halloween—Students can wear costumes to school | |
| November 1—County Wide—Early Dismissal (15 minutes early) | |
| November 6—PTA meeting –6pm—Library | |
| November 7 & 8 — Middle School Picture Day | |
| November 12—No School –Veteran's Day—Thank you for your service! | |
| November 21-23—No School—Thanksgiving Break | |
| November 27—Parent/Teacher Conferences—6-8 pm | |
| November 26-30—PTA sponsored Book Fair—Middle School | |
| November 30—Parent/Teacher Conferences - no school for students | |
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You may have noticed a new object on our website. We are now posting our written announcements on our website. All you need to do is click on the object and you are directed to our announcements. All of our clubs are in full swing and you will read all about the excellent activities going on at the school.





Clubs at the Middle School

Drama-Mrs. Mary Holmes

Art—Mrs. Abrahamsen

Student Council- Ms. Conrad/Ms. Abrahamsen

Reflections (Literacy Magazine) - Mr. Chervenak

School of Rock-Mrs. Nosovsky/Mr. Halpern

The Mirror (Student Newspaper) - Ms. Hughes

Yearbook—Ms. Conrad

Geography-Ms. Mouvios





The New Paltz Middle School Literary & Art Magazine









Get your Middle School Spirit Wear!

Tee shirt - \$10

Hoodie—\$30

NPMS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Long Sleeve shirt - \$15

Available through the PTA!

Payment online is available!

Kindness focus:

We have been reading excerpts from the book, <u>Kid Presidents's Guide To Being Awe-</u> <u>some</u> by Brad Montague and Robby Novak. Everyday we have a thinking challenge or a action to take in an effort to make the world and the Middle School a better place for all.



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Red Ribbon Week/Spirit Week

October 23-October 31 we are combining Red Ribbon Week with Spirit Week. Red Ribbon

week is time where we focus on drug awareness. Each day a positive message will be broadcast about how to stay healthy and drug free. The students have developed a saying for each day and we will wear items to show our school spirit throughout the week.



Bias-Awareness Training:

Every sixth grader and new student to New Paltz Middle School will have training next week (October 22-October 26) with Mr. Shawn Best.

The Middle School Day

| REGULAR | SCHEDULE |
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| Teacher Time | 7:40 - 2:35 |
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| Students Enter | 7:30 |
| Locker Time | 7:45 - 7:55 |
| Homeroom | 7:55 - 8:00 |
| Period 1 | 8:04 - 8:44 |
| Period 2 | 8:48 - 9:28 |
| Period 3 | 9:32 - 10:12 |
| Period 4 | 10:16 - 10:56 |
| Period 5 | 11:00 - 11:40 |
| Period 6 | 11:44 - 12:24 |
| Period 7 | 12:28 - 1:08 |
| Period 8 | 1:12 - 1:52 |
| Period 9 | 1:56 - 2:35 |
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Spirit Week Days

Tuesday—October 23—Wear red to promise to stay drug free

Wednesday—October 24—Team up and work together. Wear your favorite team clothing and crazy hat

Thursday—October 25—All States and Countries should stay drug free. Represent your favorite state or country

Friday—October 26—Fight the war on drugs with Grade Wars. 6th—wear tie dye, 7th—wear black, 8th—wear white

Monday—October 29 –We are tired of drugs. Wear your PJ's to school

Tuesday—October 30– Keep school spirit healthy. Wear maroon and white

Wednesday—October 31—We aren't afraid to say NO! Wear your Halloween costume to school

Please make sure you have filled out all the important school information forms....especially the Emergency Information Sheet. It can be found here :

http://www.newpaltz.k12.ny.us/cms/lib/NY01000611/Centricity/Domain/619/3-Registration% 20Form%20NPCSD.pdf

Or on the Parent Portal found here: <u>https://ps.newpaltz.k12.ny.us/public/</u>

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Assembly on October 24th for all sixth graders!

Tuesday, October 23rd is National Mix-It-Up at lunch day.

One day a year, we ask students to move out of their comfort zones and connect with someone new over lunch. This year, the theme is "<u>Be</u> <u>the Reason Someone Smiles Today"</u>. Our hope is for all students to participate in icebreaker activities and take a fun picture in our DIY photo-booth, all while making new friends. There will be music and fun for all!



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https://npmspta.memberhub.store/

