



From the desk of Mrs. Ann Sheldon, Principal:

The winter season is upon us even though it has not provided us with too much snow. I hope all families had some time during the Winter Holiday season to relax and just spend time together. We have many activities in store for the next few months and we look forward to all of our learning activities. It is our continuing mission to have every student feel welcomed, connected and a part of the Middle School Family. Please do not hesitate to contact me: asheldon@newpaltz.k12.ny.us

(845) 256-4200

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:

January 27-31 Diversity Training for 6th graders and new students

January 31 - MS report card distribution

February 4—PTA meeting

February 14—Superintendent Conference Day

February 17—Presidents Day

February 28—March 1—MS Production of Shrek Jr.

March 12—P/T conferences (6-8 PM) - Hidden in Plain Sight for parents

March 25-26—NYS ELA testing

March 27—Co-Rec at MS—7-9 pm

April 6-10—Spring Break

April 14—PTA meeting

April 17—MS report card distribution

April 21-22—NYS Math Assessment

May 8—Student Recognition Breakfast

May 12—PTA meeting

May 14—MS Art and Music Festival (7-8:30)

May 18—Memorial Day Program

May 21– Spring Concert for Grade 6—HS at 7 pm

May 22—Superintendent Conference Day

May 25—Memorial Day

May 28—Spring Concert for Grades 7/8—HS at 7 PM





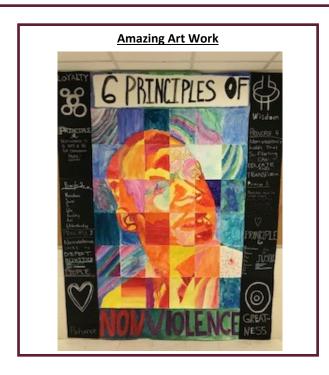


It is vitally important that we have the current information for your child. Please make sure we have this information. We gather this information on the <u>Emergency Information Sheet</u>. It can be found here:

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New Paltz Middle School
Bell Schedule
2019/2020

Teacher Time	7:40	2:45
Locker Time	7:45	7:55
Period 1	7:55	8:40
Period 2	8:43	9:23
Period 3	9:26	10:06
Period 4	10:09	10:49
Period 5	10:53	11:35
Period 6	11:39	12:21
Period 7	12:25	1:07
Period 8	1:11	1:51
Period 9	1:55	2:35



Fall Accomplishments: Thank you for your support

Sock Drive—over 500 pairs of socks donated to Family of NP

Thanksgiving Food baskets— 45 complete baskets provided to families throughout our district

Holiday Fund — many families supported for holiday season

Hats/Scarves/Mittens — many items donated to Family of NP





What is a Co-Rec?

The Middle School has three (3) Co-Recs planned for this year. This is a PTA fundraising event that benefits the students of the Middle School. On the designated Friday nights, students are welcome to come to the Middle School at 7PM, pay \$5.00 at the door and enjoy an evening with a live DJ in the auditorium, snacks (\$) and games in the cafeteria and basketball games in the gym. At 9:00 PM the Co-Rec is over and parents are expected to pick up their students. Parent Chaperones are needed for this event. Please contact the PTA to volunteer.

Co-Rec Dates: February 13 & March 27



Clubs at the Middle School

Please have your student try out a club...

Drama—Mrs. Mary Holmes

ABC Book Club-Mrs. Rosen

Art—Mrs. Abrahamsen

Student Council– Mrs. Conrad/Mrs. Abrahamsen

Chess Club-Mr. Burns

School of Rock—Mrs. Nosovsky/Mr. Halpern

The Mirror (Student Newspaper) - Mrs. Hayden

Yearbook-Mrs. Conrad

GSA/Pride Club—Mrs. Gruver-LaPolt

Geography Club—Mrs. Mouyios

Come and see....





February 28 at 7pm

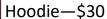
February 29 at 2 pm and 7 pm

March 1 at 2 pm

Get your Middle School Spirit

Wear!

Tee shirt - \$10



Long Sleeve shirt - \$15

Available through the PTA!





















Join the PTA....Just \$10.00

PTA

So much is provided for our students through this volunteer organization. everychild.one voice.

https://sites.google.com/newpaltz.k12.ny.us/newpaltzcsdpta/home/new-paltz-middle-school-pta

Students in our Middle School are NOT allowed to carry cell phones with them throughout the school day. If a student brings a cell phone to school it:



- Must be turned off
- Must be kept in the students locker

Students **cannot** use cellphones on school trips. Students are **NOT** allowed to use cell phones to take video recordings of other students at school or on school trips. Students not following these guidelines will be subject to disciplinary action. Any cell phone that is confiscated will have to be picked up at the Middle School. Please call if you have any questions.

More Amazing Art Work









Modified Sports



To find the games you can click on this link:

https://tinyurl.com/lfu44sz



Or call: Sports Hotline 256-4045





Come on out and support our student athletes

LOST and FOUND

Please come and check out our ever growing pile of lost and found items. Lost and found is located in the hallway by the gym. There are lunch bags, shirts, pants, hats, gloves, jackets and



books.







Quote: "The function of **education** is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character — that is the goal of true **education**."

Dr. Martin Luther







Safety Reminder



Please use the <u>drop off lanes only</u> for dropping students off in the morning or picking them up after school. It is dangerous for our students when a third line is formed behind the handicap parking.

"Hidden In Plain Sight"

Would you know what to look for if you suspected a teen of using drugs or alcohol?

March 12—During parent/teacher conferences

A room will be set up for you to go through. This is presented by the Ulster Prevention Council. Please make time during conferences to go through this. If you do not have a conference scheduled, please stop by during the hours of 6-8 PM.







Photos













