



SHAMROCK SHOUT OUT

OCTOBER 2014



2nd...Volleyball @ New Prairie 5:00
6th-10th...Grandparents Day and Book Fair info. below
6th...Thistleberry Farm 1st Grade
6th...Volleyball @ Oregon Davis 5:00
7th...JGSC Board Mtg. 7 PM
9th...Volleyball Home vs. WES 4:30
10th...Grading Period Ends
11th...Volleyball Tourney @ Walkerton 9 AM

14th...PTO Meeting 7 PM Library
13th...Volleyball @ Triton 4:30
21-22nd...Parent Teacher Conferences – Schedule with
Teacher
24th-27th...Fall Break – No School
28th-31st...Red Ribbon Week – see attached
31st...Halloween

New Indiana Standards to Prepare for College & Career Readiness Assessments

Students in Gr. 3-6 are utilizing Chromebooks for assessments to meet the new Indiana Academic Standards. Our teachers and students are challenged with this rigorous curriculum, which will prepare them for Indiana's new College and Career Readiness Assessment in the Spring of 2015.

The state assessment will continue to be called ISTEP+ with questions that require high level of thinking and written responses. In order to prepare our students for these demands, Grades K-2 are using an assessment called mCLASS 3D/TRC for Reading and Mathematics. Grades 3-8 are assessed using Acuity Readiness for Eng./Language Arts and Mathematics.

These assessments will assist the teachers with differentiating (grouping) students to meet their individual needs. The testing results will inform the teacher's instruction in meeting the standards, adjust the pace and sequence during the school year.

Grandparents Week Oct. 6-10th

Event is from 8:30-9:30 with a visit to the classroom, cafeteria for snacks, and a choice to visit the Book Fair in the back gym. PTO will be taking pictures in the cafeteria for the special event for \$1.00.

Oct. 6 for Grades 3rd and 6th

Oct. 7 for 1st Grade

Oct. 8 for 2nd Grade

Oct. 9 for Grades 4th and 5th

Oct. 10 for KDG

Book Fair Oct. 6-10th

Be a Hero! Reading Saves the Day!

October 9 the book fair will be open in the evening until 7 PM in the back gym.

Online orders from Oct. 3-15 at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/northlibertyelementarysch>

Parent/Teacher Conference Oct. 21-22

Contact your teacher to make an appointment on the progress of your child's education. The scheduled times are from 3:15-7:15 PM.

NELS Falloween Float 1st Place

The North Liberty Summer Readers float won 1st place. Congratulations to all the students, parents, and staff for making this happen. Pictures are posted on the school website if you didn't get a chance to witness their Duck Dynasty theme. "That's a Fact Jack" <http://www.jgsc.k12.in.us/north-liberty-elementary-school>

PTO Website

At the bottom of the school website is an icon for PTO. It has the PTO minutes, events, and committee descriptions. The 2014 Fun Fair proceeds were designated to strengthen and enrich the school literacy program. In addition, the PTO is adding on to the playground with fitness type equipment. A matching grant was secured to assist with the equipment, state approved ground coverage, and some installation. We will have a "Community Help Day" to make this happen in the near future. Next PTO meeting is Oct. 14 at 7 PM in the library.

Student Service Project

6th Grade Student donates time to St. Joseph Co. Humane Society
Victoria spends her spare time assisting with the Humane Society. She is asking for animal food donations brought to school to assist in caring for the animals. Look for a huge tub at the front entrance with animal pictures to place your items.

Science Fair is November 13th

Grades 4-6 have begun the scientific process for the Science Fair. The Science teachers are instructing the students on the process and making classroom deadlines. Check in with your child on their progress and communicate with their science teachers: Ms. Marks - 4th, Ms. Traub - 5th, and Mrs. Weiss - 6th grade. The Science Fair will be November 13 and open to the public in the evening.

Future Boy's Basketball Schedule (subject to change)

11/8/2014	LaVille Tourney (6th A & B)	8:00	T
11/11/2014	Bremen (5th A & B)	4:30	H
TBA	LaVille (6th A & B)	4:30	H
TBA	LaVille (5th A & B)	4:30	T
11/20/2014	New Prairie (6th A & B)	5:00	H
11/24/2014	Walkerton (6th A & B)	4:30	T
11/24/2014	Walkerton (5th A & B)	4:30	H
12/1/2014	Culver (6th A & B)	4:30	T
12/2/2014	Triton (5A & 6A)	4:30	H
12/3/2014	Argos (6th A & B)	4:30	T
12/3/2014	Argos (5th A & B)	4:30	H
12/9/2014	Plymouth Riverside (6th A & B)	4:30	H
12/9/2014	Plymouth Riverside (5th A & B)	4:30	T
12/11/2014	Oregon-Davis (5th A & 6th A)	5:00	H
12/13/2014	North Liberty Tourney (5th A & B)	9:00	H

Red Ribbon Week – Classroom Ideas



Oct. 28th –31st

October 28th – National Mix It Up Day – DO something different. Talk to someone you don't normally talk to. Sit with new people at lunch. Getting to know different people is a great thing!

Miss Match Day – pants backwards, shirts backwards, shoes that don't match, socks that don't match....ect.

Discussion in the morning about "Mixing It Up" and how kids might find new friends if they talk to new people or sit somewhere different at lunch. Encourage them all to talk to three "new" people each day this week.

I pledge to be drug free stickers

October 29th – Boot Out Drugs – To fight against the war of drugs we will need to wear our boots and camouflage.

Wear your boots and Camo-Duck Dynasty Gear, military gear, ect.

Have students give info. on how to avoid drugs and what and how to say NO.

Stomp out Drugs stickers

October 30th -- "I can, you can, we can, say NO to drugs"

Bring in cans and non-perishable food items today and any day until November 21st. Good Citizenship is caring with a big heart by helping others with our actions and words.

Wear red day

Have students complete a chart with a partner or as a class about giving back and helping others.

Wear red day stickers

October 31st – Team Up Against Drugs Day – Students and staff can something showing support for their favorite sports team. You may wear a cap/hat, shirt and/or jewelry supporting your favorite team.

Wear your favorite team shirt/attire

Discuss/brain storm on chart paper how being part of a team can be a good support. How can a team benefit you? What does being part of a team mean? What does being part of a team look like?