NUMBER 1 FLYER FAN

Congratulations to Jim Belgarde as Section X recognized his dedication with the coveted Patty Baldwin Award. The intent of this award is to honor an individual in Section X who has made positive contributions to girls’ basketball in one of the following ways:

- Coaching
- Building a program
- Involvement in section/state basketball committees
- Exhibiting good sportsmanship

Jim Belgarde is the true definition of a sports fan. Jim is involved not only with the Norwood-Norfolk Lady Flyers basketball teams but also the soccer and softball teams. Whether he is keeping scorebook, cheering from the stands, watching from the sidelines, or keeping stats for the Lady Flyers teams, Jim is always there for the kids. Jim makes it a point to chat with the coaches and players from other teams about the game. He goes to every away game to support the Norwood-Norfolk teams. The girls on our teams love him. He is a kind hearted man who chats with them about sports and always has candy in his pocket. Jim has also been active umpiring baseball and softball for many years. He is a model citizen and a great fan.

We're proud that Jim Belgarde was recognized by Section X. Congratulations, Jim, on this well-deserved honor. Go Flyers!

ICEMEN HOCKEY

Congratulations to our varsity hockey team as they captured the Section X Division II Championship and Doug LaVigne was recognized as Coach of the Year. They’ve had quite the season, capturing the championship in a fast-paced game against Salmon River, winning 6-1. They will move into the state playoffs with a 13-6-1 overall record.

Our Icemen met Webster Thomas from Section V on Saturday at the Dominic Zappia Arena. We started strong, ending the 1st period tied 1-1, but the fast team from Rochester took the game. We’re proud of our team and how they played. Congratulations on a great season!
READING WEEK & DR. SUESS'S BIRTHDAY

Reading Spirit Week was a wonderful success this year! We started out the week wearing fun shirts for all to read. On Tuesday we wore crazy socks to celebrate the tongue-twisting book “Fox in Socks”. There was green all around on Wednesday. If they dared, our students had the option of eating eggs and ham at lunch to honor Suess’s wonderful book “Green Eggs and Ham”. On Thursday goals were set and students dreamed of their future by dressing as their future self to celebrate the book “Oh, The Places You’ll Go!”

Friday was a big celebration! Students met in the elementary lobby to compete in Dr. Suess themed minute-to-win-it challenges. Towers were built and towers fell down, truffala seeds were shuffled, there were wockets in pockets, and pom poms traveled to faraway places during our competitions.

The reading rooms were opened to guest readers as students were able to listen to very special children’s books. Our guest readers included some of our very own that do not get the chance to read to the students every day. Our administrators Mrs. Kingsley, Mr. Lint (as Dr. Suess), Mrs. Mattimore, and Mr. Cruikshank did a fantastic job reading to the students. Mrs. French, our school counselor, Mrs. Colby, a behavior consultant, and Ms. Lane, 8th-grade science, were fantastic readers as well. Our students truly enjoyed hearing stories from people they may recognize from our school community, but not interact with on a daily basis.

Amanda Jones, the Norwood Public Library Director, was gracious enough to volunteer time to read to our students and create library cards for our Pre-K and Kindergarten students. We are thankful for all of the resources she has provided our school and community with.

Finally, we are thankful for Mrs. Dean for baking and decorating the beautiful Dr. Seuss themed birthday cakes to celebrate Dr. Seuss’s birthday.

Also, our school began our One School, One Book initiative. This year, each child received a copy of Friendship According to Humphrey. What a wonderful opportunity for our elementary community to join together to read this perfect book. I’m sure our children will enjoy!

Great job to everyone who supported our children as they celebrated reading this week.

WHAT A GREAT EVENT

Sponsored by the St. Lawrence County Health Initiative, Kiwanis Club, Key Club and Varsity Club, we offered a free Cross-Country Ski & Snowshoe event this past weekend. Families were invited to come and try out our new cross-country skis and snowshoes that we have been able to purchase through a grant opportunity brought to us by the St. Lawrence County Health Initiative. Fun was had by all. “These skis and snowshoes were received from the Health Initiative's Creating Healthy Schools and Communities Project, which is funded by the New York State Department of Health.” Hot chocolate and coffee provided for the perfect experience.
ROBOTICS – SUCCESS IN MONTREAL

The building season is officially over for our high school robotics students. The robot was bagged and ready to compete in Montreal for their first competition. The students involved include Collin Bromley, Ben Haenel, Alexander McConnell, Storm McConnell, Blake Richards, and Hayden Roi. Early in the competition our team started strong and was ranked in 1st place. They continued their success and finished in 2nd place and won an automatic bid to the WORLD Championship in Detroit, Michigan later this year. Congratulations to Mrs. Gutenmann and the team!

They’ll be competing in another competition in Utica in March…and then onto WORLDS!

INDOOR TRACK STATE MEET

Our three track champions competed in the NYS Indoor Track & Field Championship this past weekend. Maddie Dinneen, Sydney Levison, and Alaina Elliot all showed respectfully in their events. Congratulations girls on a great season!

NEW GRANT TO HELP OUR CHILDREN

Great news! We learned that St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES received a grant from Feed the Children's Homeless Education Literacy Program (H.E.L.P.). This grant specifically helps our homeless & transient populations. This will provided the North Country with 1000 backpacks filled with school supplies and hygiene items. Additionally, SLL BOCES received a large pallet of books for homeless students.

The amount of supplies that NNCS will receive will provide for our homeless students for the next two years. We are very happy to receive this support for our struggling families. A huge Thank You to SLL BOCES for your diligence in obtaining this grant. Thanks for looking out for the children of the North Country.

FITNESS CENTER'S LOOKING GREAT

Over the past few months, National Honor Society and Varsity Club students have been working hard to brighten up the fitness center! It took a lot of teamwork to paint wooden frames, choose photos from the Yearbook team, print, frame, design, and finally display. Thank you to the Yearbook staff for the amazing sports photos and thank you to the maintenance staff, Jason and Roger, for helping to paint and hang the green boards as well as hang the completed frames. Thank you to all the students who volunteered their time to bring more Flyer Pride to our building.

Flyer Pride
Embrace the Power of Working Together
School-Family-Community
**RECOGNITION OF A FLYER IN MEMORY OF A FLYER**

We were overjoyed when we learned that the Indoor Track officials were remembering one of their own, Jon Hazen, with a special award. Named in Memory of Jon Hazen, a long-time official, the recipients would be outstanding performers who show exceptional sportsmanship, leadership and respect for the sport, fellow competitors and coaches. Jon Hazen was a lifetime Flyer, serving on the Board of Education after his long career as a teacher and coach at NNCS. One of this year’s recipients was Senior Sydney Levison, one of our most honored athletes. Sydney Levison has competed at the highest levels in NYS, representing the Flyers. She has been an outstanding teammate, competitor, and champion. Her humbleness and friendly demeanor are evident in every conversation. Sydney Levison is an excellent choice for this year’s Jon Hazen Award. We’re proud of you and we are sure that Mr. Hazen would be proud of you, too. A very special award.

In this picture, Sydney is pictured with her parents Ted and Lisa Levison. In the center of the picture is Cheryl Hazen with her daughter Chris Bateson. Also pictured is OFA’s Nate McNally with his parent’s.

**SEAWAY TECH NEWSLETTER AND STUDENT OF THE MONTH**

We would encourage you to read through the February Newsletter from Seaway Tech (attached to this email). There’s a lot going on with our CTE students and we appreciate the faculty providing so many wonderful opportunities for our students. Also, congratulations to Tyler Trimboli who was selected as the HVAC Student of the Month. Tyler is a senior at NNCS and has been doing a great job in his program at Seaway Tech. Congratulations!

**CALLING ALL FLYER ALUMNI**

Combined Class Reunion 2019! There is a class reunion THIS SUMMER for all NNCS graduating classes. If you’re interested in helping to organize or represent your class, then contact Chuck Morse, ’77 at morsechuck10@gmail.com. Let’s get out and show your Flyer Pride!

**THE FLU UPDATE**

We continue to monitor information from the NYS Department of Health relating to the Influenza Virus. This is the 10th consecutive week of widespread confirmed cases. We remind people that the best barrier is the flu vaccine. Also, regularly washing your hands and covering your mouth/nose when you sneeze prevents the spread.
MUSCIAL
We’re getting excited for this year’s musical, presented by the Norwood-Norfolk Drama Club: *Guys and Dolls*. There will be shows on March 15th & 16th. If you would like to buy tickets to the show, you may do so here: [https://www.showtix4u.com/events/15456](https://www.showtix4u.com/events/15456). Or, you can purchase them in the high school office. Soon, you will see posters around the school that have a QR code on them. If you open the camera on your smartphone and point it at the QR code, it should pop up a banner, which, when clicked upon, will take you to the website listed above. Ticket prices are $12 for adults and $8 for students.

AWESOME THINGS HAPPENING AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Fifth Grade Lung Models

Extended Day Designing Pizza

Flyer & Student of the Quarter

8th Graders have been working on their 4 year high school plans. Checkout the display in the middle school lobby. There’s a picture of each 8th grader, dressed in graduation gowns, stating what they want to be when they grow up. We have some students who will definitely impact our world in the future. Keep reaching for your dreams!

FACEBOOK
Celebrate our children! Follow our middle school on Facebook page by clicking "[Norwood-Norfolk Middle School Moments](#)". Our elementary has also joined with a Facebook page, called “[Norwood-Norfolk Elementary School](#).”
UPCOMING EVENTS

3/3-5  Superintendent at NYSCOSS
3/8   Middle Level Fun Night
3/9   Lego Competition at Clarkson
3/10  Daylight Savings Begins
3/11  President & Vice-President Meet with Superintendent
3/12  Budget Work Session
3/15  Early Dismissal for Staff Development
3/15-16 Musical
3/19  Board of Education Meeting
3/20  Seniors to Gateways to Careers
      Grade 5 Band Concert
3/21  District Improvement Group (DIG) Meeting
      Pep Rally and Green & Gold Night
3/22  Regional Staff Development Day