

Future important dates:

Oct 8 School Picture

Oct 15 End of First Quarter

Oct 21 Early Dismissal/Parent Teacher Conferences

Oct 25 No School

Fishing Club

By Mark Richey

This year for the fishing club, about thirty students gather every week on Thursday to go fishing! With the incredible permission from Mr. Foeste, Mr. Stoverink and his students walk to a pond nearby the school, in which for two hours, the students have fun fishing! The students learn essential fishing skills, meet with their friends, and overall have an amazing time in the afterschool program. The school is very thankful for the Conservation Department allowing the students to use their fishing supplies. Fishing club runs through mid-fall and mid-spring. Overall, the Nell Holcomb student body is very thankful for the privilege of being able to have good times fishing. Thank you to Mr. Stoverink, the school, parents, and the conservation department for providing materials and the opportunity. See ya fishing!



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Newspaper sponsor: Mrs. H.

Fun Science Fact of Month: **By Mark Richey**

The Eiffel Tower gains around 15 centimeters in height during the summer.

Due to a natural process known as thermal expansion, heat from the sun causes the base of the Eiffel Tower to swell and expand. The expansion causes the height of the tower to increase. The metal expansion also causes the top of the tower to tilt away from the sun. During the winter, colder temperatures cause the swelling to stop, and the height of the tower goes back to normal.



Fun History Fact of the Month:

By Mark Richey

Napoleon Bonaparte was once attacked by a horde of angry bunnies.

In the year 1807, the French leader signed a peace treaty between France and Russia. To celebrate the end of the two nations' fighting, Napoleon proposed to have a rabbit hunt with his men. They set up a luncheon, and collected hundreds of rabbits to hunt. Unfortunately, when the rabbits were released, the French leader and his high ranked military officers were attacked by a swarm of fuzzy critters. Napoleon even tried to escape to his carriage, but the rabbits chased him, and jumped aboard trying to reach him.



Student Council by Kendall Bourbon

Over the month of September, the students of NHS have had lots of opportunities to get involved at school through extracurriculars like Beta, band, volleyball, and basketball. Recently, students have been collecting signatures and approval so that they can get nominated for Student Council! Student council is an organized group of elected students that help with things like setting up school dances, but this year, the new sponsors Mrs. Hall and Ms. Petrillo have much bigger and much more significant plans for our Student Council.

When I went and talked to each of these ladies, they sounded like they were very excited to put some new meaning and purpose into the Student Council. This year, some of the duties that the Student Council will have include getting to go to a school board meeting, setting up the school dances, the one in the fall and one in the spring, and one new thing. The Student Council will be collecting funds for charitable causes both inside the school and out. Some of the fundraisers that the council is doing are things like selling water bottles to thirsty students, and some other fundraisers that the council will decide on themselves.

Now, not just anyone can get into student council—you have to have good grades, behave well, collect twenty-four junior high student signatures, and get Mr. Wortmann's approval. Once you do these things, the students of the junior high will vote on who they want to represent them. Once elected, the student council members will be chosen by Mrs. Hall and Ms. Petrillo for some special positions. Not everyone will be given a special position or title, so getting such an important role is not to be taken lightly.

There are three significant positions. The President, who is the head of the student council makes executive decisions and will be in charge during the setup of the dances. They will be aided by whomever is chosen as their Vice President. This person gets to be in charge as well and helps and approves of the president's decisions and actions. The final position is the Treasurer. This person will be in charge of the funds that are collected from water bottle sales and fundraisers. They will help the sponsors create budgets for the dance and for charitable causes and will also help to point out what inside or outside of the school might need a little help from the student council. Whoever gets these positions will be chosen by the sponsors and their decisions will be based on who they think is best suited for the job. There will hopefully be four representatives from each grade on the council. As of right now, three sixth graders, eight seventh graders, and two eighth graders have applied. A huge thank you to Mrs. Hall and Ms. Petrillo for bringing this fun and exciting extracurricular back to NHS! Good luck candidates!!

Idiom of the Month by Kendall Bourbon

SEPTEMBER – TURN OVER A NEW LEAF

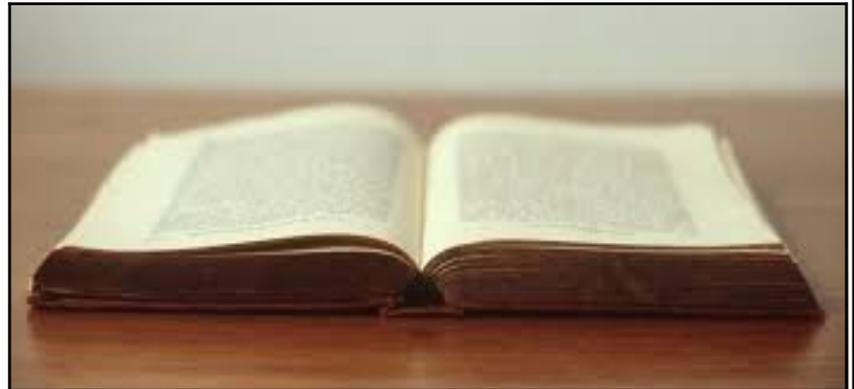
THIS FUN FALL IDIOM MEANS TO START OVER, TO START FRESH, TO BE NEW.
ENJOY FALL AND TAKE IT AS A NEW OPPORTUNITY TO BE NEW!



Ms. Nelson's Book Recommendations by Kendall Bourbon and Mark Richey

Every quarter, Ms. Nelson and Mrs. Garner explain to the Junior High student body what kind of book they'll have read for the quarter, which allows the students to partake in the joy of reading. There are four assigned categories each year, and students have to take an AR test to show that they understand the book that they chose to read. You, as the student, have a free choice of any book that fits the category. Here are some of the books that Ms. Nelson says are the most popular in those categories. The four categories for the 2021-22 school year are non-fiction, historical fiction, fantasy/folklore, and biography. In the non-fiction category there are many books to choose from, they just have to fit into the reading level of the student. For historical fiction, she told us that lots of students check out the *I Survived* series and the *Little House on the Prairie* series. These are educational series that tell the stories of fictional characters that survived historical events. And then for the biography category, the only criteria for your book is that it has to be about a real person's life. Ms. Nelson told us that the main purpose of having students read these books and take tests on them is to help the students to read something that they usually wouldn't read and the test is to check for understanding. Have fun reading!

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BAND by Heidi Probst (continued on next page)

5th Grade

Hannah Webber
Brynn Winkler
Evie Gardiner
Cody Sullinger
Liam Berry
Alexis Moore
Mali Reid

6th Grade

Skyler Sapp
Heidi Probst
Acasia Mosley

7th Grade

Paeton Roberts
Lukas Haupt

8th Grade

Kendall Bourbon
Zoe Kester

BAND by Heidi Probst (continued from previous page)

Band is where you play instruments, and get to know people in your band. Band is split into two groups. Fifth and sixth grade, and seventh and eighth grade. (Mrs. Cain teaches both.) Fifth and sixth grade's band is held after school from 3:00 to 4:30 on Wednesday. Seventh and eighth grade's band is held after school from 3:00 to 4:30 on Monday. In the fifth and sixth grade band there are ten people. The fifth graders are Hannah Webber, Brynn Winkler, Evie Gardiner, Cody Sullinger, Liam Berry, Alexis Moore, and Mali Reid. The sixth graders are Skyler Sapp, Acasia Mosley, and Heidi Probst. In the fifth and sixth grade band there are three trumpets, two clarinets, one flute, one trombone, one baritone, and one percussionist. The trumpet players are Skyler Sapp, Liam Berry, and Mali Reid. The clarinet players are Alexis Moore and Brynn Winkler. The trombone player is Cody Sullinger. The baritone player is Heidi Probst. The percussionist is Hannah Webber. In the seventh and eighth grade band there are four people. The seventh graders are Paeton Roberts and Lukas Haupt. The eighth graders are Kendall Bourbon and Zoe Kester. In the seventh and eighth grade band there are two clarinets and two percussionists. The clarinet players are Kendall Bourbon and Paeton Roberts. The percussionists are Zoe Kester and Lukas Haupt.

Mrs. Cain has taught band a total of three years, but she has taught music for fourteen years. She personally plays three instruments: the clarinet, the trumpet, and the piano. It took her five years of college to become a band director. It normally takes four to five years to become a band director. She loves directing bands and was sad that her old job didn't have a band class. The band students will need to come to every practice, and also practice every day at home. Mrs. Cain reminds us that, "Band is like a sport. If you keep practicing, then you will get better."

Mali Reid plays trumpet. How she puts her trumpet together is this- "You put the mouthpiece into the trumpet's hole." How long have you played? She heard about band in class from her teacher. Mali says, "How a trumpet works is you hold down the keys and make a weird raspberry noise with your mouth."

Heidi Probst plays baritone. How she puts her baritone together is this- "There are two parts, the body of the instrument and the mouthpiece. You just put the mouthpiece into where the mouthpiece goes, and there is your baritone. She has played for one year and is still playing. She heard about it from her sister when she went to band for the first time. Her sister's name is Cadence Probst. Heidi says, "How a baritone works is you buzz into the mouthpiece and move your fingers to play notes making the "to" motion with your mouth to make sound."

Lukas Haupt is a percussionist, but mainly plays snare drum. How he put his drum together is this- "There are three parts: the stand, the practice drum, and the drum itself. You put the stand up, then the practice drum on the stand, and last you put the drum on top." He heard about band when his teacher was handing out band forms. Lukas says, "How it works is you hit it with a drumstick and it makes a sound." How long have you played? He has played for two years.

Kendall Bourbon plays the clarinet. How she puts her clarinet together is this- "You slide the pieces together, cork on plastic, not cork on cork, or plastic on plastic, or it will not work, then put the reed on the mouthpiece and the mouthpiece on the rest of the clarinet. She heard about band from the old music teacher Mrs. Thrower when she was playing a video called "Part of the Band." Kendall says, "How it works is you blow into it and move your fingers to play notes while moving your tongue to the reed to make sound."

You can be part of the band too. Just ask Mrs. Cain for a permission slip today!

Girls Volleyball by Acasia Mosley

Coaches: Matt Hollis and Mrs. Seyer

Sixth Grade **Seventh Grade** **Eighth Grade**

Heidi Probst	Alexis Craft	Jalah Clark
Kaydence Wallace	Ella Sparkman	Jayla Smith
Alisa Kinder	Shaylee Mathes	Claire Gibbs
Breanna Mathes	Paeton Roberts	Zoe Kester
Kaya Salentine	Natalie Hahs	Trinity Wallace
Charlotte Stovall	Willow Broshuis	Madilyn Kirchoff
Acasia Mosley	Briley Hollis	Sydney Hoehne
Makenna Dougherty	Sydney Hoehne	
	Paige Rice	
	Presley Sumner	

I interviewed Mrs. Seyer. I asked her what her expectations for the volleyball girls are. She said, "I expect the girls to show up on time to practices and games". Do their best and try their hardest and have fun. About the teams she said, "The girls are different because they all have different personalities. They all work differently. They are learning how to become better players and use the skills they learn and practice". This year the seasons are more exciting. We get to play more schools. The girls are working really hard, and we are winning a lot of games. The coaches also want the girls to be on time for practices and games. If they miss practice, they miss the first set of the next game. If they miss a lot of practices, they sit out the next game. Their grades have to stay above a D. I interviewed a couple of girls from C team Makenna Dougherty and Alisa Kinder, and I asked them how long they have been in volleyball and they both said 5 years. Wow! That's a long time. I also asked what was their favorite part about volleyball, and Alisa said, "A successful overhand serve." Makenna said, "Hitting the ball over the net". And I asked them what was their favorite position on the court? Makenna said back, and Alisa said serving. I also asked them what they expect from the team and Alisa said, "Trying hard and being confident." Makenna said, "To also try hard and go for the ball." Mrs. Seyer would love for you all to come out and watch our girls play. Our last home game is October 7. Come out and cheer our girls ON!!!

GO Hawks!!!



Boys' Basketball! By Kamryn Bourbon

Coaches: Coach Winkler and Mr. Campbell

5th Grade

Jordan Tucker
Corban Irving
Wyatt Wheat

6th Grade

Carter Uhrhan
Cooper Watson
Lucas Reeves
Trevor Patrick
Alton Clark

7th Grade

Hayden Schenimann
Kaegen Long
Tyler Craig
Kenyan Kelp
Josh Reeves

8th Grade

Mark Richey
Andrew Yarbro
Evan Farrow
Devin Adams
Camarion Ware
Kaden McClenithan

**GO
HAWKS**

This year Coach Winkler is expecting a normal season. He said that the schedule should go back to the way it was before COVID. He is expecting to play tougher teams this year also. Basically summing all that up, he says he is very excited to get back to playing! He says the schedule for the games this year might be tough, but he plans to make it work. I asked him how long he had been coaching boys' basketball here at Nell Holcomb, and he told me 22 years! He also said that the reason he got into boys' basketball is because he loves basketball and he enjoys teaching it to other people. I talked to some of the players, and they said that they were ready for a fun and safe season. Also some of the players have been playing basketball either for a rec team or the school for more than six years!

Mr. Campbell's expectations are pretty simple; he just wants everyone to learn, have fun, and get better. He says that in practice they have been working on all-around fundamentals and defense. He has been coaching for around 10 years. He got into coaching because he loves the sport and teaching kids.

NHS Birthdays

August	September	October
2 Josie Blair	1 Liam Schmidt	1 Lillyan Conklin
2 Jaselyn Blair	1 Thomas Griffaw	4 Presley Stephens
2 Gracie Blair	2 Audrey Moore	4 Felicity Lee
3 Andrew Yarbro	4 Tyler Craig	5 Tomas Sosa
7 Aspen Dewrock	4 Michael Hager Jr.	6 Cody Sullinger
7 Evan Farrow	4 JaKylynn Harvey	7 Kylie Craiglow
8 Jace Kirchoff	5 Charlotte Stovall	7 Tess Merritt
8 Lewis Monroe	5 Asher Williams	10 Jaxstyn Hale
8 Khyden Cissell	5 Kamdin Davis	10 Trinity Wallace
9 Alton Clark	9 Joshua Reeves	13 Annabelle Wheat
11 Corben Irving	9 Annabel Brewer	17 Eli Gean
11 Alexander Wybert	10 Kobie Moore	18 Liam Biri
11 Karsun Tucker	11 Hayden Schenimann	22 Levi Monroe
14 Kinley Vines	22 Wyatt Wheat	24 Arianna Milner
17 Kaegen Long	24 Mylez Garms	24 Isabella Barton
19 Eli Craiglow	24 McKinley Campbell	30 Shaylee Mathes
20 Tahyri Harvey	26 Tessa Flieg	
21 Bruce Seng	26 Ayden Crossen	
22 Brady Brewer	28 Ali Moore	
24 Ally Vandeven	28 Jacob Seay	
24 Kamden Johnson	29 Ireland Hunter	
26 Allison Langston	30 Paige Rice	
26 Kyndall Fisher	30 Jazmyn Brown	
28 Lincoln Biri		
28 Cooper Watson		
28 Kendall Bourbon		

