



TRITON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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From the office of Dr. Sandra J. Halloran

News of the Week **May 28, 2010**

There will be a school committee meeting on Tuesday, June 1, at 7:00 in the Triton High School library. Mr. Christopher Farmer will be presenting his reorganization plan for the 2010-2011 school year.

Want to stay informed about what is happening at Triton? Watch us on your computer at ustream.tv. Thanks to Triton's Media Productions classes we currently have two channels up and running. Both are full of useful and entertaining shows with more being posted every week. For School Committee meetings visit: <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/triton-regional-school-committee-meetings>

For student related programming visit: <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/vtv-viking-television>

Are you a child of the 60's? Watch the video highlights of Triton High School's first 60's Week, sponsored by the History, English, Drama, Art, Music and Media Productions departments. <http://www.ustream.tv/recorded/7222939>

TMS Summer University: Please get those registrations in ASAP for TMS Summer U. Classes are filling up

The class of 2010 will celebrate with a senior trip to Boston on Thursday June 3rd. They will enjoy a Duck Tour, Faneuil Hall, dinner at Dick's Last Resort and a comedy show at the Improv Asylum in the North End. They will also celebrate at a Beach Cookout Friday June 4, Salisbury Reservation Pavilion, 5:00-8:00.

The Triton Marching Band will be out and about on Monday, May 31st, serving the communities for the Memorial Day holiday. At 10 AM, the annual parade in Salisbury steps off

from the Fire Station proceeds down 1A toward the beach, runs up Ferry Rd, down Pleasant Street and back to Salisbury Square for a short ceremony. After this is completed, the band will head over to the Upper Green in Newbury to play for a 375th anniversary celebration and then have lunch, provided by First Parish of Newbury. Then, we travel to Rowley, to start at the VFW at 1:30, head down Bradford Street to Main Street, through the cemetery and back to the Rowley Common to conclude. It's a long day, but rewarding community service for our students.

[SES Kindergarten classes](#) visited the Spencer Pierce Little Farm this week to learn about farm life "then and now." They are also studying frogs and hope to get some tadpoles for the children to observe. Fun, Fun, Fun! They explored their own vernal pool and caught a few tadpoles to bring back and observe in class. They also spotted HUGE bull frogs. VERY COOL!

[Recently, two of TMS Team 8-2 Spanish classes](#) hosted three of TMS Team 7-2 Spanish Classes. The students exchanged conversation in Spanish and were paired up, one 7th grade student with one 8th grade student for a Clicker Competition!! Mrs. Faulkner and Mrs. Regazzini developed the questions based on content covered this year. All the students loved using the clicker software to "Vote" for the best answer choice for each of the 25 questions. Additionally, the 8th grade students enjoyed teaching the 7th grade students how to use the clickers and how to collaborate on selecting the BEST answer choice for the question! It was a great success!! It was a joy for Mrs. Faulkner and Mrs. Regazzini to watch students teaching students!! Yahoo!!

[This week, the 6th graders at NES](#) met Kevin Hunt from the Veterans' Affairs Office at the First Parish Cemetery. Kevin was helpful in finding all Newbury veterans from the Revolutionary War through 2010 for our 375th celebration at NES. The students found veteran stones at the First Parish Cemetery and placed flags at their graves for 'Decoration Day,' now called Memorial Day.

[PGS Kids Club Receives Donations!](#) [Anna Jacques Hospital](#) recently made a welcome donation to the PGS Kids club program. The surprise box contained balls, jump ropes, Chinese jump ropes, sports timers and a wonderful laminated booklet on rules of the games. [Staples also gave a pick up truck of office supplies](#) to the school this week. They gave staplers, paper clips,

a whole case of correction tape and lots of other things. Students have been busy writing thank you notes.

KIDS & MULTI-TASKING: This is a link to an interesting article on the subject-check it out!
<http://voices.washingtonpost.com/answer-sheet/guest-bloggers/data-shows-kids-shouldnt-multi.html>

The Pine Grove School Band and Chorus performed their Spring Concert @7:00pm on Thursday May 27 in the All Purpose Room. Everyone was invited to come and listen.

On May 24th the 1st graders visited the Museum of Science and went on the Duck Tours in Boston for a great adventure.

Grade 3 enjoyed their annual field trip to the Minute Man National park on Monday May 24th.

The Marionette puppet show was a huge hit with Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade on May 26th.

Grade 4 is going to be leaving on Tuesday, June 1 for the Lowell National Park for the entire day.

Student council, along with the 5th grade class at **PGS**, is continuing their year-long community garden project. We will be incorporating lessons from plant and soil sciences and colonial life studies by planting "Three Sisters" garden boxes, which include Native American plantings of beans, squash, and corn. The garden boxes were generously made and donated by Ms. Roach's Girl Scout Troop.

A composter has arrived and will be up and running for two Green Day lunch events. The lunch trays for the Green Day events are purchased by Student Council and are biodegradable for composting. The Students of Pine Grove School are excited about their continuing efforts in becoming a greener school!

AND...The National Association for the Education of Young Children validation visit was this past Wednesday and Thursday. During that extensive visit, the assessor spent an hour in both the

morning and afternoon preschool classes, one hour in one full day kindergarten class and one hour in a half day kindergarten class. In addition, the assessor reviewed extensive classroom and program portfolios including family and staff surveys. The portfolios had been in process for several years and staff have devoted many hours of preparation. The visit went extremely well and the staff expect to hear that we have received accreditation sometime over the summer.

Thanks to all for their hard work.

[The Newbury Elementary School Recycling Committee](#) (made up of students, teachers, parents, and community members) is thrilled to announce that recycling at the Newbury Elementary School (NES) is now a single-stream system. On Thursday, April 29 the Recycling Committee celebrated Earth Day by holding two assemblies to introduce single-stream recycling to the school. Our efforts to reduce trash (and thus waste removal expenses) at NES will continue into next year as we seek funds to purchase and install a dishwasher in the cafeteria so that Styrofoam trays are no longer necessary.

Many people were instrumental in the development and the production of these assemblies and the implementation of single-stream recycling at NES. Many thanks to Principal Sylvia Jordan and Vice-Principal Betsy Boulanger; Charlie LaBella and the NES Student Council, especially Emma Pickett, Ben Hall, Jon Lech, Joe Kennedy, and Gwen Norton; Jen Wright and her after school Recycling Club including Kate Carter, Madison Cotter, Benjamin Janvrin, Matthew Janvrin, Paige McRaven Hans Morris, Josh Norgaard, Lila Roy, Marisol Roy, Josie Smith, Travis Tkaczek, Henry Weese, Abby Wing, Alex Wing, Paige Zukowski Jed Cutter, Ross Corley, and Ashley Houlihan; Bonnie Durante; Melissa Janvrin; Elizabeth Norgaard; Kathleen Pearson; NES Technology Integration Specialist Liz Raycroft; Rhonda Titus at Waste Management; Newbury's Recycling Coordinator "Mr. Recycle" Ron Toleos; Chris Walsh, Triton Manager of Facilities and Grounds; and Laurie Zywiak. Also, many thanks for the hard work and support from NES students, staff, and teachers, especially the custodial staff and cafeteria monitors. This has truly been a remarkable group effort.

Single-stream recycling has been in place for nearly three weeks and there is already a noticeable reduction in the amount of waste going to the trash. With this new system, all paper, cardboard, plastic and glass can be recycled in one bin. At NES, this includes commonly used items such as plastic containers #1-7, soda cans, milk and juice cartons, and juice boxes. Containers must be

emptied but rinsing is not necessary. Juice pouch collection will continue in a separate bin since the PTA receives money back for these containers. Volunteers are monitoring the cafeteria during lunch to give the students assistance in determining what is and what is not recyclable.

NES's waste hauler, Waste Management, has found that single-stream increases recycling in residential areas by 30 - 40%. Single-stream recycling will not only reduce the volume of trash heading to an incinerator but it will reduce NES's costs associated with trash removal and provide opportunities to educate the NES community about the impact of trash on the Earth.

If you would like to get involved or have any questions or feedback about single-stream recycling, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are eager to work with the NES community as we continue to reduce the amount of trash coming from the school.

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HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY!