

# **NIGHTHAWK NEWS**

The Official Monthly PTA Newsletter Of Northwest Elementary School

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#### 1st Semester 2022-2023 School Yr

Thur, Oct 6 6-7pm Spring Fling Kickoff - Planning https://meet.google.com/uhqukbi-rgr

Tue, Oct 11 4-8pm Northwest Night Out Chipotle

Wed, Oct 12 End of 1st Grading Period

Mon, Oct 17 Non-Student Day

Thu, Oct 20 Dad's Club Costume Contest

Thu, Oct 27 5:30-7:30pm Spooky Science Night

Mon-Fri, Oct 24-28 Red Ribbon Week

**Thu, Nov 10 8:15am** Veterans Day Program

Fri, Nov 11 Veterans Day/Non-Student Day

Mon, Nov 21 - Fri, Nov 25 Fall Break/Non-Student Days

Mon, Nov 28 Students Return to School

Mon-Fri, Dec 12-16 Holiday Shop

Fri, Dec 23 End of 2nd Grading Period

Mon, Dec 26, 2022 -Mon, Jan 9, 2023 Winter Break/ Non-Student Days

## Getting to know Principal Quigley

Let's continue celebrating our 35th anniversary and get to know Principal Bryan Quigley. This year's theme is 'Back to the Future" and just like the movies' main character Marty McFly, Mr. Quigley has worn many hats in his 16 years at NWE and beforehand. Mr. Quigley, husband and father of three boys, began serving our



community as Assistant Principal in 2006. He became Principal in 2012 and his youngest son attended NWE after his promotion. Prior to coming to Northwest, Mr. Quigley was a teacher who taught many different classes including: 6th-grade Math & Science; Language Arts; CP classes in grades 3-5; and unofficially, Gym. Deciding to be a school principal is a life-altering move. Mr. Quigley was drawn to the "accountability" of the role. He wanted to have a bigger impact beyond the classroom. He liked the idea of being an educational entrepreneur, getting his hands into everything. "I wanted to be able to create something unique." He has done just that and still humbly focuses on the NWE kids and staff. "The kids here are gentle, good-natured and come to school ready." From his days as a teacher, Mr. Quigley added, "Trust me, as a teacher at other schools, this is not always the case." Our principal seems ever-present at the school. If there is a General Meeting, he's there. If there is a Turkey Bowl, he's setting up turkeys. For the mother-son event, he was serving pizzas. Yes, one could say that this is the role of a principal; but, the "how" is what sets leaders apart. Says Mr. Quigley, " I know how fortunate I've been at this school. It truly is a community school." NWE community is incredibly fortunate to have you, Mr. Quigley. Thank you.

#### **Reflections: Show Your Voice**

The 2022-2023 Reflections theme is *Show Your Voice*. Reflections is hosted by the National PTA and is open to students through grade 12. Northwest PTA will lead our school effort to market the program and we ask parents, guardians, and school staff to help us encourage our Pre-K to Grade 5 students to participate. The reflections program provides opportunities for recognition and access to the arts, which boost student confidence and success in the arts and in life. Look for info from the NWE PTA.

https://floridapta.org/reflections-art-program/





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### **Box Tops for Ed.**

Each Box Tops collected is \$0.10 cashed in for our school..

- Download mobile app "Box Tops for Education & choose "Northwest Elementary School" in your profile
- 2. Please add grade & teacher
- Snap a photo of your receipts containing Box Tops products in the app within 14 days of purchase.

In Oct 2022, we have already reached 84% of proceeds that were raised via Box Tops in the entire 2021-2022 school year!! Keep up the good work. The \$\$ goes back to NWE.

# Northwest Business Partners



#### **Contact:**

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If you are interested in business partnerships.

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#### Four Hours Can Make a Difference

With nearly 700 students, it is hard to imagine struggling to find adult volunteers for all of the amazing NWE events and programs. Volunteering at our kids' school(s) is probably something that most want to do, but for many it may seem daunting. It doesn't have to be; the NWE PTA can help you find the ideal fit for your skills, interest, and most importantly, your availability. If you cannot come to the school during the day, perhaps you could help make event signs at night. If you work at night, perhaps you could help with the holiday shop or lead a Junior Achievement lesson during the day. If you can only commit to one thing for the entire school year, maybe you could help the Dad's Club Turkey Bowl, work at the Father-Daughter dance, or lead a game station at the Spring Fling. **Four hours** over the 2022-2023 school year can make a huge difference in our **kids' experiences**. Reach out and let the PTA find the right match for you! A volunteer application is mandatory for most on-site volunteering & quick to complete; access the Y.E.S. application link at <a href="https://northwestpta.org/">https://northwestpta.org/</a>.

## **NWE Lightning News**

**Night out With Northwest** Come out for a Northwest Night out on Tuesday, October 11, 4-8pm at Chipotle. A percentage of the money raised during those four hours will be given to Northwest Elementary - eat-in or takeout. Make sure to mention that you are from NWE! **12827 N Dale Mabry Hwy in Tampa, FL** 

**Red Ribbon Week** This is a national celebration in schools to commit to **making** healthy choices and being drug free. NWE will participate in a weeklong set of activities and dress-up days (Oct 24-28). Look for the flyer soon.

**Holiday Shop** Here comes the holidays! It's never too soon to get ready for NWE's annual Holiday Shop that will be open **Dec 12-16**. This is a great opportunity to connect with our kids while they shop for gifts **(\$2 each)**. Sign-ups are coming.

**Spring Fling** NWE's largest annual fundraiser and excellent community engager, the Spring Fling, is scheduled for **Friday, March 23**, 4-8pm, on campus. An event this large requires fresh ideas, solid planning, over 60 volunteers, and hopefully great weather. Contact Kerrie (kerrieweltman44@gmail.com) or Annette (arr2665@gmail.com).

