



# NEWTON FALLS ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

**Mr. Paul Woodard**  
Superintendent

**Mr. Thomas Sullivan**  
Principal

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## OUR LITTLE TIGERS EXPECTATIONS

**Be Respectful, Be Responsible  
Be a Learner and Be Safe!**

### **Welcome Mr. Sullivan**

We are excited to welcome Mr. Sullivan to the elementary building. While he is new to our building, he is not new to our district. Mr. Sullivan has been an administrator at Newton Falls for the past 6 years; serving for 2 years as the assistant principal at the high school and also as the middle school principal—a title he continues to hold.

Mr. Sullivan has served in education for over 25 years. He has also coached numerous sports including football, girls basketball, and track.

Mr. Sullivan has been married to his wife, Valerie, for 17 years. They have 4 children: Kathleen, Faith, Tommy & Colleen.

### PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES



Elementary Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, October 2, from 3:00-9:30 p.m. (There is no school for students on this day—Professional Day for staff)

To schedule a conference for your child, phone the school office at 872-5225 (ext. 2301) *beginning Monday, September 25.*

If you are not available for an appointment on October 2, one can be made for you during the teacher's planning time during the day.

### **SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**DOORS LOCKED:** After the tardy bell rings each day at 8:40 a.m., ALL doors, including the front doors to the office, are locked. To obtain entrance into the building, please "call" using the keypad to the right of the front doors. This will alert the office that someone is waiting to be let into the building. The office can see who is there, ask questions, etc.

**PLEASE!!  
NOTE**

**STUDENT FEES:** All students K-12 will be charged a student fee of \$40 again this year to help offset some of our expenditures. Please send check or money order made payable to Newton Falls Elementary School no later than Friday, January 19.

**INTERIMS:** These reports will be sent home with students **TODAY.**

**CHANGE OF CLOTHES** - It is very important that EVERY STUDENT have a change of clothes kept in their locker. There are many things that can happen in the school day that cause your child to need to change clothes. (Spilled drinks, mud or water from the playground, bathroom accidents, bloody nose, etc.) It is easier and more comfortable for the student if they have their own items to change into.

## BASKET RAFFLE

The ABC Club is again sponsoring a basket raffle fundraiser during our fall conferences on October 2. Each classroom has been assigned a theme, but you can donate items for ANY basket. Please send items no later than Tuesday, September 26, to allow time to put the baskets together.

### Themes include:

Family Fun, Pet Lovers, Girl, Boy,  
Snacks, Reading, Fall, Craft,  
Coffee Lovers, Christmas, Candle,  
School Supplies, Baking, and  
Italian



# FUNDRAISING

**FALL FUNDRAISER** - Begins Thursday, September 21. The elementary students will be selling a variety of items including frozen pizza, pretzels, candy and candles. This sale runs through Tuesday, October 10. Money must accompany orders. (Checks or Money Orders—No cash please) Money raised is used for various things for our students including our COSI on Wheels program.



## PICTURE RETAKE DAY

School picture retake day will be held Wednesday, October 11 in the morning.

Anyone who was absent on picture day, will be photographed as well as those who wish to have retakes.

Those having pictures retaken must return their picture packets to the photographer on the day of retakes.

If you need to have a picture envelope sent home, call the school office at 330-872-5225 or contact your child's teacher.

## ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

If your child is absent...

1—**CALL** the school (330-872-5225) the morning of the absence to report your child off and give the reason for the absence.

2—Send a **NOTE** to the school the day your child returns. The note must state why the student was absent, the date of the absence, and include the parent/guardian's signature.

All absences are designated as unexcused, unless an excuse is provided within the 48 hour allocated time period.

If your child is absent due to a doctor/dentist appointment, be sure to **get an excuse while at the appointment** and turn it into the office the following day. If the doctor/dentist needs to fax an excuse, our fax number is 330-872-0228.

A doctor's excuse verifying the illness may be required after a child is called off for personal illness 5 times in a grading period or 10 times for the entire school year. If your child sees a doctor, please be sure to get an excuse from the doctor's office.

**If your child is tardy, they must be signed in by an adult.** Students may accumulate a maximum of 10 tardies in a semester. With the 11th tardy, the student and/or parent will be required to attend a truancy intervention program.

Please keep in mind that our handbook states that the building administrator must receive a written request **two to five days prior to a student going on vacation for vacation to be an excused absence.**

