

NEWFIELD NEWSLETTER



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June 2012

Class of 2012 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Sarah Griggs and **Mitchell Laughlin** have achieved the highest academic averages for the Class of 2012. They will represent their class as Valedictorian and Salutatorian, respectively.



Sarah Griggs, daughter of Mike and Cathy Griggs, has achieved a scholastic average of 97.63%. Sarah received the Hobart William Smith Finger Lakes Scholarship Award, RIT's Computing Medal Award, Rensselaer Medal Award, Leon Krause Memorial Award, Newfield Fire Department highest average in Math & Science awards, the Marines Scholar Awards for highest overall average and she also earned highest average award for a sequence in English. Sarah achieved High Honor Roll and Student of Distinction every marking period throughout high school and has accumulated 36 hours of college coursework through Tompkins Cortland Community College. In addition to her academic achievements, Sarah participated in numerous extracurricular activities including Student Council, Chorus (All-County, All-State and NYSSMA), Students Against Destructive Decisions, Travel Club, Drama Club, Peer Education, Big Brother/Big Sister and National Honor Society. She is also very involved in community organizations such as Armstrong School of Dance, Women's Opportunity Center, Running to Places Theater Company, Newfield Recreation Summer Camp, Junior National Young Leader's Conference, Hangar Theater and the United Way's Youth in Philanthropy program.

In the fall, Sarah will be starting her undergraduate program at Drexel University to study Biology/Pre-Medicine in the Honors Program.

Mitchell James Laughlin, son of Christine Laughlin and Gregory Laughlin has achieved a scholastic average of 97.44%. Mitchell received the Outstanding Freshman Award, Hobart William Smith Finger Lakes Scholarship Award, the Clarkson Leadership Award and represented Newfield HS at the Hugh O'Brian Leadership Conference as a Student Ambassador, a Junior Facilitator and a member of the Command Staff. Mitchell has achieved High Honor Roll & Student of Distinction every marking period during his high school years and accumulated 35 credit hours of college coursework through Tompkins Cortland Community College. In addition to his academic achievements, Mitchell participated in numerous extracurricular activities including Varsity Soccer, Varsity Indoor/Outdoor track, Drama Club, Travel Club, Student Council and serves as the secretary for the National Honor Society. In addition, Mitchell worked several summers with Cornell Cooperative Extension to provide programming that would serve the Newfield youth.

In the fall, Mitchell will be starting his undergraduate program at Clarkson University to study Biology.





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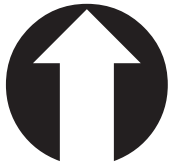
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UPWARD BOUND

Cornell Upward Bound Program is Expanding to Include Newfield High School Students!



Cornell University's Upward Bound program, which prepares high school students for college, has received continued funding by the US Department of Education. The amount, \$1.3 million spread over five years, will enable the program to continue and to expand its services to include the Newfield and Spencer-Van Etten high schools, ultimately serving more than 60 students annually.

Upward Bound provides students from low-income and first-generation (neither parent has a 4-year degree) families with weekly academic tutoring sessions with Cornell students, individual counseling with program staff, assistance in choosing high school courses to strengthen their transcripts and support in preparing college and financial aid applications. Upward Bound students also participate in a six-week summer enrichment program at the Cornell campus in Ithaca.

Participation in Upward Bound is free. Participants are chosen annually through an application and interview process. For information on applying, email upwardbound@cornell.edu or call 607-255-5814.

Contact:
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607-255-5364
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~Newfield Elementary Celebrates~
The Great Outdoors: Birds, Bugs and Books
Family Literacy Night
Thursday, June 14th 5:30- 7:30

~ Free Food ~ Free Books ~ Free Fun ~



5:30 Elementary Cafeteria
~Free hot dogs, chips and beverage

6:00 Upper Gym
~Mrs. Furstoss and Ms. Miller – musical storytelling

6:15 Exhibits and Activities
~Lime Hollow and Live Red-tailed Hawks
~Finger Lakes Environmental Educators and Birds, Bugs and Books
~Cornell Live Bug Collection
~Reading Under the Stars with Mr. Moseley
~Cornell Raptor Program with Live Birds of Prey
~Beekeeper Mike Griggs and Live Observation Hive
~Barnes and Noble Book Sale table
~Newfield Town Library Summer Reading Program
~Craft and Activity tables

7:15 Upper Gym
~Musical performance:
Mr. Greg McClure and Ms. Miller



Empire Boy's State



Newfield High School and local Empire Boys State representatives have selected **Joe Peabody** (Class of 2013), son of Chris-

tina VanEtten and Kenneth VanEtten, to participate in the annual Boys' State Conference this spring at SUNY Morrisville. Students from all over the state will gather together to form a mock New York State government. This conference focuses on strengthening leadership, work ethic and community involvement in young people. Joe was selected based on his involvement in extra-curricular activities, leadership potential, scholastic average and class ranking. He has been a member of the National Honor Society, Students Against Destructive Decisions and Art Club. Joe is researching post-secondary options where he can pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering.



MUSIC NOTES

Congratulations are in order for the high school music groups that participated in the Music In The Parks Festival in Pennsylvania in May! The jazz ensemble won first place in Class A and the concert band won second place in the same class. The high school chorus won first place in Class A as well. The chorus won an additional trophy for having the highest scoring choral group in the entire festival. Also, Peter Hoskins was recognized with a judge's choice medal for being the outstanding soloist among high school vocal groups. A total of fourteen schools from New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey participated in the event. The students had a wonderful time touring the aquarium in Camden, NJ as well as downtown Philadelphia. On Saturday afternoon the students enjoyed Dorney Park in Allentown.

The Middle School Spring Concert will be held on Tuesday, June 5 at 7pm in the Aiosa auditorium. The Band and Chorus will perform patriotic, multicultural, musical theater, and pop selections. You won't want to miss a beat!

Hugh O'Brien (HOBY) Leadership Conference



Leif Pakkala (Class of 2014), son of Virginia Pakkala, was selected to represent Newfield High School at the Hugh O'Brien Leadership conference this June @ SUNY Oswego. The HOBY conference focuses on enhancing leadership skills in high school sophomores by motivating tomorrow's leaders today. Their purpose is to teach students how to think, not what to think! Leif will attend leadership seminars that are designed to prepare our country's high school sophomores to become effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, workplace and community. Good luck!



The 2012-13 School Year Calendar is now available on the school website at www.newfieldschools.org

The Middle School in June!

The last full day of school for middle school students will be Wednesday June 13th. On this day the middle school will celebrate with a Luau hosted by the MS Student Council. The MS yearbook will be passed out at that time. Students will be dismissed at 11:05 from June 14-June 20th as they take final exams. The last day for middle school students for the year will be Wednesday, June 20th.

The 8th grade Moving Up Ceremony will be hosted by Team 8 on Tuesday, June 19th at 6:30 pm in the Aiosa Auditorium.



High Honors

Grade 6

Adams, Connor
Borgella, Alexander
Brown, Jacob
Castrechino II, Robert
Edger, Taylor
Hart, Hunter
Heroux, Megan
Howell, Caitlin
LaBarge, Stephen
Llanos, Simone
Moravec, Gregory
Reilly, Francis
Rooman, Roger
Ruocco, Nolan
Scott, Savanna
Swansbrough, Kayle
Watkins, Heather

Grade 7

Allen, Eric
Byrd, Mariyah
Heffron, Erwin
Hodge, Shelby
Jacobs, Jordan
Johnson, Mathew
King, Patrick
McKenna, Jordann
Miller, Andrew
Pierce, Christopher
Poludniak, Devon
Vanetten, Scott
VanOstrand, Tyler
Worcester, Salena
Yaples, Rachel

Middle School Honor Roll 30 Week Marking Period

Grade 8

Adams, Jordan
Allen, Jeffrey
Banfield, Cole
Bledsoe, Casey
Bona, Casandra
Duff, Sage
Fagnoli-Peterson, M.
Fenner, Kelsey
Festa, Tyler
Ford, Elisha
Garcia, Thome
Green, Mackenzie
Henderson, Kiersten
Hollenbeck, Myranda
King, Spencer
Lorer, Jennah
Malone, Jazmin
Mosher, Rhianna
Ober, Seamus
Shay, Alexis
Strosnider, Alora
Teeter, Jessica
TenWolde, Zozha
Warnimont, Jeremiah
Yalanzhi, Nataliya

Honors

Grade 6

Aubin, Bre-Anna
Baker, Christopher
Cotto, Christian
Denmark, Atavia
Eldridge, Alexie
Hockenberry, Desiray
Olmstead, Camryn
Severtson, Tristan
Weaver, Morgan

Grade 7

Bentley, Nicholas
Brown, Robert
Burns, Christina
Cirulli, Michelle
Colburn, Sean
Hackett, Jaclyn
Havlik, Hannah
Henry, Alora
Hernandez, Starlit
Hines, Eric
Hockenberry, Andreana
Keagle, Zachary
King, Logan
McKenna, Devonn
Myers, Antoinette
Rynone, Dante
Schloup, Mariah
Schumacher, Kathryn
Spencer, Brett
Tyskewicz, Lauren
Westberry, Mark

Grade 8

Baker, Alexis
Casterline, Cadence
Castrechino, Chyanne
Henry, Sierra
McSwain, Erik
Olmstead, Bailey
Zahradnik, Kali

Middle School Final Exam Schedule

**All students are dismissed at 11:05 during final exams.*

**Students are not to remain on school grounds once they have been dismissed.*

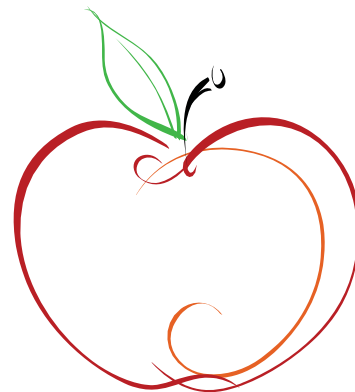
**No lunch will be served on Wednesday, June 20th.*

	Thursday June 14	Friday June 15	Monday June 18	Tuesday June 19	Wednesday June 20
6th grade	ELA Final	Social Studies Final	Science Final	Math Final	8:05-9:20 End of year assembly
7th grade	ELA Final	Social Studies Final	Science Final	Math Final	9:30-11:05 End of year assembly
8th grade	Spanish Final	Social Studies Final	Science Final	Math Final	Team Activity

HIGH SCHOOL GOALS: Where Have We Been, Where Are We Going?

Where have we been for the 2011 – 2012 school year? We've been building the school community we want.

We began this year with a vision: ***We are Newfield – Conscious, Consistent, Committed to what's best for our Community.*** To help us move towards this vision, we identified a goal: ***Responsibility for our work and actions – students, staff, families, and community.*** We also identified four avenues for achieving our goal: ***Aesthetics, Mutually Respectful & Safe Behavior, Service, and Motivation.*** A brief summary of this work is below:



In terms of ***Aesthetics***, we have painted walls and worked hard to keep the front entrance, hallways, and classrooms clean and litter-free. In terms of ***Service***, we've helped provide food to the food pantry, flood relief to our neighbors in Candor and Owego, joined the elementary school in composting our food and garbage, partnered with Tompkins County to help all of our seniors register with the Civil Service system, and helped a number of families work through unforeseen crises in their lives. In terms of ***Motivation***, we've used the morning announcements, weekly Power Points, Alert-Now phone messages, monthly newsletter articles, phone calls and letters home, webpages, commendations, creative unit and lesson planning, and our daily interactions with students and families to help all of our students experience success. And in terms of ***Mutually Safe & Respectful Behavior***, we started the year with Rachel's Challenge and have consistently focused on discipline as an educational process through which our students learn how to effectively advocate for their needs using the principle of appropriate time, place, and manner.

Where are we going? After spending a day and half in late-April reviewing what we had accomplished this year, we agreed as a group that we are committed to continue working towards our vision and goal. One of the more significant ways we will continue to do this is outlined below:

As you may have heard, high schools throughout the country are now expected to ensure that our students are college and career ready by the time they graduate. As the principal of a high school and the parent of three children, I think that's a great idea. However, it is essential that we figure out how we meet this nationwide expectation in ways that are best for our students and community. That is, how do we do this work while remaining true to our vision and goal?

In an effort to answer this question, I have spent a good deal of time talking with local business people, human resource personnel, and college admissions officers about what college and career ready means to them. I have learned that admissions officers and employers are looking for people who can plan and budget their time, complete their work on time and up to standards, problem-solve when confronted with a task that is new or different, and work through disagreements with colleagues, teachers, and supervisors. I have also come to realize that this same skill-set holds one of the keys to student success here at school. For example, students in school need to learn how to work through disagreements with their peers, teachers, and principal. Fortunately, our discipline approach is currently designed to teach them how to do this by teaching them how to advocate for their needs at the right time and in the right place and manner.

To address some of the other skills identified as critical to success in work and in college, we are going to shift away from traditional study halls and create College and Career Readiness Labs (CCR Labs) to take their place. First, these labs will be designed to promote student responsibility by building their capacity to independently keep track of their assignments, budget their time, and complete every assignment every time. Newfield High School graduates will be more successful in the workplace and/or college once they have internalized these skills and made them into habits.

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High School Regents Exam Schedule for June 2012

- The last full day of classes for high school students is Tuesday, June 12.
- Students are allowed on campus during Regents week if they have an exam.
- Transportation will be provided as normal in the mornings for morning exams.
- There will be a sign-up sheet for transportation in the high school office for those students who only have an afternoon exam and need a ride to school. There will be a bus to bring students to school by 11:45 for a noon exam.
- Transportation will be provided for students to return home after they have taken their exams. There will be a bus at 11:05 and 3:00 to take students home.

8:00 a.m. start time	12:00 (NOON) start time
<u>Wednesday, June 13</u>	
Global History Regents	Physics Regents RCT Science
<u>Thursday, June 14</u>	
U.S. History Regents	Algebra Regents
<u>Friday, June 15</u>	
English Regents	Earth Sci. Regents
<u>Monday, June 18</u>	
RCT Global History	RCT Reading
<u>Tuesday, June 19</u>	
Living Env. (Bio) Regents	Trigonometry Regents RCT U.S. History
<u>Wednesday, June 20</u>	
Geometry Regents	Chemistry Regents RCT Math
<u>Thursday, June 21</u>	
RCT Writing	

"Moonlight Memories"

The Class of 2012 spent a wonderful evening together Saturday, May 19th, at The Barn in Candor. Dancing was, of course, the main event. Our seniors enjoyed music and lighting provided by DJ Sonny King. Recognized at the soiree were prom king and queen - Niko Nunez & Patricia Wall - as well as prom prince and princess – Hunter Irvin & Cierra Hulbert. The 2012 prom committee planned an amazing event, and we would like to thank the faculty who shared the evening with us. We would also like to thank Sue Sheerer, owner of True Life Photography, for preserving these memories for us!



High School Awards Night

Achievement and academic awards for grades 9-12 will be presented by the faculty and members of the community on Wednesday, June 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. If your child is receiving an award, a letter of invitation will be mailed out to the families soon, but all are welcome to attend. Parents and friends are encouraged to share in this special recognition.



Commencement – Class of 2012

Commencement will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 22, in the high school gymnasium. Graduates should be at school no later than 6:15 p.m. to meet in the auditorium with caps and gowns.

Commencement rehearsal for 2012 graduates is at 10:00 a.m. on June 21 in the high school gymnasium. All graduates need to be present and on time. Reserved seating tickets for families will be distributed following the rehearsal and after all obligations have been taken care of.

HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

30 -Week Marking Period
March 17, 2012 – May 4, 2012



HONOR ROLL

Grade 9

Becker, Daniel
Cooper, Devin
Dickens, Dawn
Johnson, Andrea
Piotti, Seth
Rice, Alexis
Riker, Shyanne
Scofield, Mikayla
Sepos, Jessica
Sexton, Christie
Trask, Tyler
Tyskewicz, Ashley
West, Shelby

Grade 10

Abbey, Alicia
Apgar, Steven
Clay-Adams, Gaelyn
Holmes, James
Sims, Angela
Stranger, Amy

Grade 11

Belles, Samantha
Carney, Erica
Dougherty, Aaron
Harris, Allison
Pakkala, Megan
Peabody, Joseph
Roscioli, Taylor
Terlouw, Courtney
Vanetten, Kayla

Grade 12

Berry, Samantha
Cooper, Skyler
Delfino, Thomas
Ferrara, Francesco
Goodwin, Nicole
Hillick III, William
Irvin, Hunter
Johnson, Amber
McCray, Robert
Nunez, Niko

Nye-Smith, Kyle
Sawyer, Sebastian
Smith, Jessie
Teeter, Keturah
Walden, Jeremy
Wylie, Travis

HIGH HONOR ROLL

Grade 9

Carter, Max
Castrechino, Dillon
Frank, Nathan
Gerow, Thomas
Harris, Kelsey
Jacobs, Brianna
Martin, Cassandra
McKee, Katie
Meeker III, William
Moravec, Nicole
Moynihan, Taina
Naylor, Melissa
Nye-Smith, Luke
Rynone, Riley
Schlaupt, Hannah
Schreiber-Harris, Alex
Strednak, Alexandra
Tuckerman, Megan
Woods, Alaina

Grade 10

Crawford, Mariah
Ferrara, Angelina
Fuller, Alexander
Garcia, Myles
Harden, Tiffany
Hatch, Emily
Hulbert, Brianna
Hunter, Zachary
Lampila, Anthony
Miller, Alexander
Moore, Brandon
Moynihan, Anastasja
Murray, Alexis
Pakkala, Tristan
Puig-Pimentel, Jose
Robbins, Joshua
Washington, Shay
Zichettella, Brianna

Grade 11

Atherton, Ashley
Doucett, Erin
Gerow, Jacqueline
Hoskins, Peter
Johnson, Anna
Krogman, Luke

Miller, Colin
Scott, Connor
Sears, Kodie
Sinn, Kiersten
Tubbs, Taylor
Ulbing, Cynthia
Wood, Elizabeth
Wood, Lindsey
Wood, Rebecca
Yaples, Michael

Grade 12

Addy, Cal
Amato, Gabrielle
Bachelor, Kaysee
Carter, Zane
Delgado, Illari
Fargnoli-Peterson, Kelci
Friedlander, Adam
Griggs, Sarah
Hawke, Steven
Hayes, Corey
Heffron, Shea
Hulbert, Cierra
Kamin, Brandon
Lance, Emma
Laughlin, Mitchell
Moore, Adam
Redman, Katherine
Rouleau, Mara
Russell, Cortney
TenWolde, Elizabeth
Trask, Taylor
Valentin, Jacqueline
Wall, Patricia
Wood, Dillon
Woods, Meghan
Wright, Heather



News from the High School Guidance Office

Rick Pawlewicz

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What a wonderful time of year! The quick approach of summer vacation and graduation provides every student in the district an exciting reason to count down the remaining days of school. Many of our seniors have spent better than 2100 days in our classrooms and find themselves using only their hands to indicate the number of days until they wear the green and white gown at commencement. When it is all said and done, I am happy to report that during their four years at NHS, 82% of them will have earned at least three college credits, 56% of those students will have earned at least one semester of college and nearly 12% of them will have earned a full year of college! This is a magnificent example of the opportunities that our students have.

Where are our seniors going? Although there are still some pending decisions, Newfield High School will be represented next fall at **Alfred University, SUNY Alfred, SUNY Brockport, Clarkson University, Cornell University, SUNY Cortland, Drexel University, Elmira College, University of Findlay, Finger Lakes CC, SUNY Fredonia, Genesee CC, Ithaca College, Liberty University, Lycoming University, Lyndon State College, University of New Haven, University of Northwestern Ohio, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Potsdam, Russell Sage and Tompkins Cortland CC.** Congratulations and good luck!

With this said, there are less than fifteen school days remaining this year and we need to continue to work together to finish strong. Final examinations (prior to June 13) and Regents Exams (June 13-21) are weighted heavily in students' overall final averages and it is never too early to start reviewing! Check with your child's teachers about review sessions and other great resources, such as REGENTSPREP.ORG, available to help them prepare!

June Blast from the Past

Jared Talbot graduated from Newfield High School in 2000, attended Cornell University as an undergraduate, pursued his graduate studies at the University of Oregon and obtained his Ph.D. and is doing post-doctoral research on muscle formation at University of California at Berkeley.

"If you can find something that you're passionate about and can put in the energy needed to pursue that passion, you might find yourself going even farther than you had expected."

Jared's passion for science and research led him to each of these institutions. Cornell allowed him the opportunity to engage in excellent research, stay close to his family and participate in numerous extracurricular activities. The University of Oregon attracted him with its geographic beauty and its accurate reputation for being a caring community of outstanding researchers. Jared's current educational experience at UC Berkeley allows him to be self-directed, it lets him ask questions that no one has answered yet, and it enables him to solve problems that he hopes will be helpful to society.

Jared has some suggestions and comments for the students of Newfield. "If you can find something that you're passionate about, and can put in the energy needed to pursue that passion, you might find yourself going even farther than you had expected. NHS is a really outstanding school. We're small, and when I attended NHS I thought this was a limitation. But looking back, and comparing with other folks, I think I got at least as good of a high school education as anyone I know." Jared offers the opportunity to talk with any student interested in looking into scientific careers.

If you know of a former Newfield graduate interested in sharing their Blast from the Past, contact Rick Pawlewicz @ rpawlewicz@newfieldschools.org

LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Community,

Thank you very much for passing the school budget last month. That will enable us to move forward in the 2012-2013 school year without sacrificing any of the excellent programs we have here in Newfield.

Also, as we end this school year, **I would like to thank everyone – staff, administrators, students, and parents – for their patience and understanding as we worked through all of the changes** thrown at us by the New York State Education Department. We believe these changes will ultimately help us grow professionally and increase student achievement, even though we are all feeling a bit overwhelmed by the number of changes coming all at once. Please continue to be patient as we learn how to implement what is expected of us. Hopefully, we will all keep a good sense of humor and remind ourselves often of what really matters – our wonderful students!

Our campuses will be under construction this summer and therefore “off-limits” to all but the construction workers for safety reasons. However, the district office and elementary office will remain open. The middle school and high school offices will be located in the elementary library from June 25 through the end of August. Phone numbers for all offices will remain the same and everyone is available via email. We are looking forward to having energy-efficient lighting in all of the gymnasiums, as well as new flooring in selected areas of each of the buildings.

Have a safe and restful summer.

Dr. Cheryl Thomas
Superintendent of Schools



GOALS

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Secondly, students in our College and Career Readiness Labs will learn how to study and how to learn. While many of our students already work hard at studying and learning, they do not necessarily know the most efficient and effective ways to do so. Our teachers, however, are up to date with the latest research in how people learn, and the CCR Labs will ensure that they are well positioned to pass this information on to our students. As teachers provide our students with guided instruction in how best to study and learn, our students will become proficient in these skills, increasing the ability of Newfield High School graduates to meet the demands of both college and career.

Finally, in order to ensure that our students have as many post-secondary options as possible, we hope that our CCR Labs will also be able to provide our students with SAT prep, Regents Exam prep, and even preparation for civil service and other career-related exams.

As you can see, we have accomplished a great deal this past year and we already have ambitious plans for next year. We are Newfield: Conscious, Consistent, Committed to what's best for our community.

Barry Derfel, H.S. Principal

Student of Distinction 30-Week Marking Period

9th Grade:

Carter, Max
Castrechino, Dillon
Frank, Nathan
Gerow, Thomas
Jacobs, Brianna
Martin, Cassandra
Moravec, Nicole
Moynihan, Taina
Nye-Smith, Luke
Rynone, Riley
Schreiber-Harris, Alex
Strednak, Alexandra
Tuckerman, Megan

10th Grade:

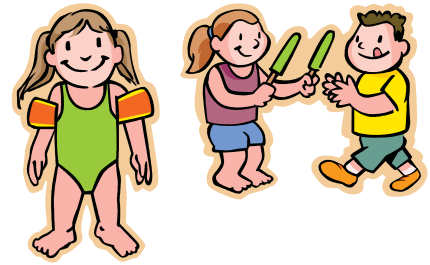
Ferrara, Angelina
Fuller, Alexander
Garcia, Myles
Harden, Tiffany
Hatch, Emily
Hunter, Zachary
Miller, Alex
Moore, Brandon
Moynihan, Anastasja
Pakkala, Leif
Puig-Pimentel, Jose
Washington, Shay
Zichettella, Brianna

11th Grade:

Doucett, Erin
Gerow, Jacqueline
Hoskins, Peter
Johnson, Anna
Sears, Kodie
Tubbs, Taylor
Wood, Lindsey

12th Grade:

Addy, Cal
Amato, Gabrielle
Bachelor, Kaysee
Delgado, Illari
Fagnoli-Peterson, Kelci
Friedlander, Adam
Griggs, Sarah
Hayes, Corey
Heffron, Shea
Hulbert, Cierra
Kamin, Brandon
Lance, Emma
Laughlin, Mitchell
Moore, Adam
Rouleau, Mar
Russell, Courtney
TenWolde, Elizabeth
Trask, Taylor
Valentin, Jacqueline
Wall, Patricia
Woods, Meghan



SUMMER DAYCARE

Need a fun, safe, nurturing place for your 3-5 year old this summer? The Newfield Child Care Program is offering child care, housed in the Elementary School, from June 25th to August 17th between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Flexible contractual arrangements are available. To sign up or for more information, please call 564-9955, ext. 4103, or email khollander@newfieldschools.org. Don't wait!! Slots are filling up quickly.

Attention Trojan Fans:

The Class of 2013 will be selling Newfield Trojan window clings for vehicles. These items will be available for \$7.00 each. The Trojan window clings are 6"X9.6". Show your school spirit and get your Trojan window cling today!



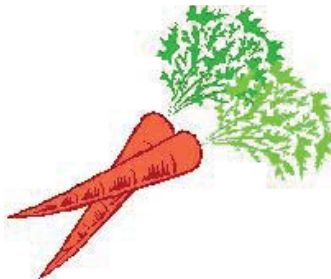
Contact Jana Leyden or a current member of the Class of 2013 to place your order. Please make checks out to "Newfield Class of 2013".

Contact Information for Jana Leyden at jleyden@newfield-schools.org or 564-9955, ext. 3202.

Carrot Ginger Dressing

yield 4-6 generous servings

1 large carrot, peeled and chopped
2 scallion bulbs
2 Tbl. chopped fresh ginger
2 Tbl. sweet white miso
2 Tbl. rice vinegar
2 Tbl. toasted sesame seed oil
1/4 cup olive oil
2 Tbl. water



Combine carrots, scallions, and ginger in a food processor or blender and process until finely chopped. Scrape down the sides, add vinegar, miso, sesame oil, olive oil, and water. Blend until smooth.

--Debbie Lazinsky

We hope you enjoy this recipe from the Healthy Living Committee. If you would like to join the Healthy Living Committee, please contact Joanne James at jjames@newfieldschools.org.

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NEWFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Join us at the Newfield Public Library for the Summer Reading Program. We'll have programs, a Raffle for Reading and great prizes. For every book you read, add a ticket to the jar. The more tickets you have the better your chance of winning a prize at the final program. Here's what you can look forward to:

Thursday evening family programs @ 6:30 p.m.:

June 28-Kick off the Summer Reading Program with the Ross Park Zoo Mobile

July 5-Tom Knight Puppets and the Library Boogie!

July 12-Regi Carpenter and Soaring Stories

July 26-Cornell's Raptor Center will bring 6-7 falcons and hawks

August 9-Raffle Party and Picnic with singer/songwriter Tom Seiling

Children that participate in the Summer Camp will visit the library each week for fun and interesting activities. Participants will also have a Raffle for Reading with prizes.

Tina Winstead, Library Director

NEWFIELD FARMERS' MARKET

Thanks to the support of the Town Board, Newfield now has a Farmers Market! Thanks to the Fire Company, we have a place to hold it! Opening day will be Friday June 29th, with markets being held every Friday thereafter until September 29th. Hours will be 3pm-7pm. Anyone interested for any reason (farmers, urban-gardeners, craftsman, vendors, musicians, or volunteers), please contact sdb27e@gmail.com. Look for us soon on Facebook!

The Farmers' Market is interested in collaborating with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County's "Youth Satellite Farmers' Market program." Are you a teenager who is interested in learning how to prepare healthy, affordable meals from locally grown food? Would you like to showcase what you've prepared at the Newfield Farmers' Market?

If we can generate enough interest in Newfield (minimum ten students) then Cooperative Extension will hold a six-week cooking series in town on Fridays, market day. Each class will run about two hours. If you are interested please contact Lara Parrilla Kaltman, Nutrition Team Coordinator, at ljp9@cornell.edu or 607 272-2292.

FREE SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM

Everyone 18 years old and younger who lives in Newfield is invited to join us for breakfast (8-9 a.m.) and lunch (11:30-1:00 p.m.) from July 2-August 10, 2012. All meals will be served in the elementary cafeteria. Please enter from the side door near the basketball courts.

