# Family Connections

PERIODIC NEWSLETTER FOR THE NF COMMUNITY

# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2020



#### **NEWS YOU CAN USE**

At 2:00 p.m. today (as happens every Thursday), Governor DeWine announced that Summit County is in the orange zone with respect to COVID. As such, all hybrid, option #1 NF students will start back to school for five days on Monday, October 5, 2020. All COVID protocols will remain active; including, masks, social distancing, and periodic hand-washing.

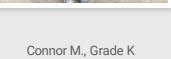
#### **DANCE FIT IS A HIT!**

Today was the final day of in-school activities for the **Boosterthon Virtual Dance Fit Party**, hosted by our very own PTA. In a last minute change, NF was actually able to take out the 'virtual' piece and enjoy the fun within the classroom. Remote students participated as well. Despite the challenges with COVID restrictions, NF is very close to meeting its goal of \$10,000 in collected pledges. Even though the in-school action is over, pledging continues until Friday, October 9th. If the



school exceeds its benchmark, Dr. Clark, Mr. Kaminicki, a few others will be 'pied' in the face by selected students. Special thanks to Ms. Jones, (PTA President), and her committee members. They were able to secure complimentary t-shirts for all students, whether the families participated or not. Please thank our corporate sponsors which can be found on the back of said shirt. Our PTA hopes to purchase all new gym mats with the monies raised.





"Back to School" Photo Winner





Ellie C., Grade 1 "Back to School" Photo Winner



#### **PICTURE DAY**

Picture Day is scheduled for this upcoming week for all students, per the schedule below:

- Wednesday, October 7th for grades K, 1 and 2 (during the school day)
- Thursday, October 8 for grades 3 and 4 (during the school
- Thursday, October 8 for remote students who signed up for an appointment (late afternoon into early evening)

Families can expect to receive LIfeTouch photo order information on Monday, October 5th.

The fourth grade class panoramic photo will not be taken until Spring, 2021, (we want to hopefully include all 4th grade students). Additionally, Picture Retake Day has yet to be scheduled.

#### FILL THE BUS CAMPAIGN

The annual "Fill the Bus' food drive campaign will take place throughout the month of October. Families will be encouraged to drop off non-expired, non-perishable foods at the school. Rather than being a competitive approach between Nordonia and Twinsburg, we hope to model collaboration during this unusual year. The food and donations collected will help to supply the Summit County Emergency Assistance Center for the winter months. More information will be shared with families



after we complete our Boosterthon fundraiser and Safe Decisions Week.

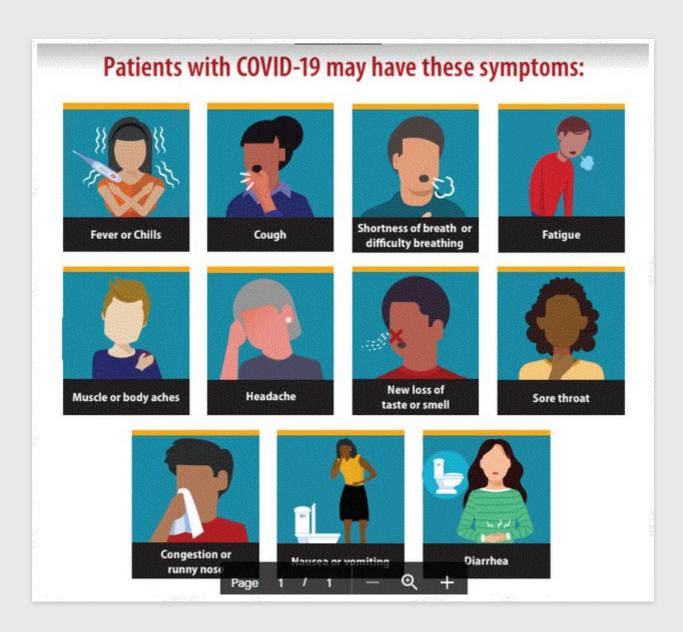
## PAX LEADERS OF THE MONTH





NF also congratulates our remote learners for are **PAX Leaders of the Month** for September 2020, (pictures unavailable)

- Brynn B., Kindergarten
- Lena J., Grade 1
- Kayden S., Grade 2
- Enioluwa O., Grade 3
- Keaton S., Grade 4





**Girl Scout Recruitment Drive:** Our local area Girl Scouts chapter is welcoming new members. Want to learn more? Gather information at the outdoor, drive-by recruitment program on Monday, October 5th beginning at 5:00 p.m. The NF school parking lot is the place to be for more information.

**Vision Screening:** Students in grades 1 and 3, along with any new students to NF will have vision screening in school during the third week of October.

**Scholastic Book Fair:** The annual Scholastic Book Fair will be virtual this year. The initiative begins in late October and more information will be forthcoming from our PTA.

**Halloween/Fall Festival:** NF will host a 'low-key' fall event on Friday, October 30th. Due to regulations by the Summit County Health Department, we will be unable to have our costume parade. Additionally, COVID masks are the only permissible face coverings. A themed costume mask cannot be work this year.

Parent-Teacher Conferences: Due to the nationwide pandemic, we are continuing to operate many of our programs/activities in a virtual format. This will be true for our annual conferences to be held in November. Your child's teacher will reach out to you relatively soon to schedule 30 minute appointments. Please make every effort to partner with us to discuss your child's academic, social, and personal growth.

**Photo Opt-Out:** There is reason to believe that parents may have answered some questions with the on-line forms too quickly. Why, you ask? We have an abundance of families who don't want their child's picture taken at school or shared via social media. This decision would include opting out of the yearbook, too. Normally, we have 2-3 children who aren't photographed by choice. Please review your on-line forms and make sure you checked the 'yes' or 'no' boxes correctly. My theory is that many families quickly checked 'yes' on all the boxes without realizing the opt-out section. Please let the office know if you make a change, too.

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