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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILIES

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Dear students,

As we come to the end of another school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all that we have accomplished together. This year has been full of challenges, but I am proud of each and every one of you for persevering and continuing to strive for excellence.

You have worked hard in your classes, participated in extracurricular activities, and demonstrated kindness and respect towards one another. Your dedication to your education has been inspiring, and I am confident that you will continue to make great strides in the years to come.

As you move on to the next phase of your lives, whether it be college, the workforce, or other endeavors, remember the lessons you have learned here at our school. The friendships you have made, the skills you have developed, and the experiences you have had will stay with you throughout your lives.

I encourage you to stay curious, keep learning, and never stop pursuing your dreams. We believe in you and we are proud of you. Congratulations on a successful school year, and best wishes for a bright and fulfilling future.

Sincerely,

Samuelle Simms

Important Dates

June 9- The Last Act- HS Drama Senior Showcase @ 7:00 pm

June 13- Last day of classes

June- 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22- Regents Exams *Please see the Regents Schedule Email

June 16- End of Fourth Quarter

June 21- All accounts need to be settled. Senior Chromebook and charging cords must be returned.

- Students can make appointments to meet with teachers during Regents Week

June 21- Graduation Rehearsal at 12:00 pm.

June 22- Senior Ball at the Villa Borghese in Wappingers Falls, NY from 6:00-10:00 PM

June 23- Graduation at 6:00 pm.

Around NPHS

Nicholas Kutzin

Willa Voorhis

Helena Nastasi

Matthew Morrissey

Olivia Gandin

Dylan Merizalde

Andrew DiPonio

Mia Gagne

Aurora Semel-Defeo

Jenna Triguero

Lindsey Clinton

Julia Crofton

Julia Demskie

Sage Rochetti

Beckett Evans

Quin Harris

Nicholas St. George

Alexander Ianno

POSITIVE VIBES



PRIDE CLUB

Pride Students created a Proudful History Bulletin Board for Pride Month. The club was interviewed by Hudson Valley One about Pride Club and their views on LGBTQIA+ topics in our local and world communities. - Ms. Watkins



AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Students in Mr. Neden's AP Language and Composition course went to see "A Doll House" on Broadway on Wednesday, May 31. Students read the play in class and then saw the performance, which stars Oscar winner Jessica Chastain as Nora. -Mr. Neden



SCIENCE RESEARCH

On Wednesday, June 7, the New Paltz High School Science Research students held their annual symposium. All students presented posters of their work to date. Seniors Michael Lynn, Sage Rochetti, and Natalia Seager presented powerpoints of their final work in the theatre. Special thanks to our guest speaker, Dr. Karla Vermeulen, Deputy Director of the Institute for Disaster Mental Health and an Associate Professor of Psychology at SUNY New Paltz. Student posters will hang in the front hallway of the high school until the last day of school and can be found here: [2023 Student Posters](#). Congratulations to all students for a job well done and for their contributions to science!

- Mr. Seweryn



PROJECT LEAD THE WAY PRESENTATIONS

Today the Engineering Design and Development Class of 2023 presented their solutions to real world problems. Students worked in groups of three and through collaboration and use of the Design Process, they decided upon one final problem and then developed a working prototype to solve that problem. Students discussed the purpose and functionality of their design and the various iterations along the way. This class gives a college level real world experience of Product Design to our High School junior and seniors.. Congratulations to Chace, Andrew, Naomi, Caleb, Ben, Bella, Sylvan, Owen and Martin for an amazing job. -Ms. Mallory



UNITED NATIONS FEILD TRIP

On Tuesday June 6th, students from Mr. Gill's Model UN and Ms. Seim's AP Government class toured the United Nations headquarters in New York City. Students were led through the UN Security Council (the first New Paltz group to be granted access!), the Economic and Social Council, and even witnessed the conclusion of a General Assembly vote that places Algeria, Guyana, Sierra Leone, Slovenia and South Korea to 2-year terms on the U.N. Security Council starting in 2024. Students also saw many artistic and architectural gifts to the UN, including Norman Rockwell's "Golden Rule" pictured below. Following the tour, the AP Gov and Model UN students browsed products and enjoyed food from over 80 countries as part of the "International Festival Bazaar" organized by the UNited Spouses, a group that helps UN spouses, partners, and families settle into life in New York. The trip was a unique opportunity for students to see the day to day operations of the United Nations, explore potential career paths, and most importantly see first hand some of the incredible work that the UN has done, and continues to do in our world today. - Mr. Burger



"A CAPELLA IN THE COURTYARD"

A Cappella in the Courtyard (indoors) took place on Wednesday, 6/7, at 2:30pm. The Full A Cappella choir performed from 2:30-2:45, and Select A Cappella performed from 3:00-3:15. They sounded AMAZING!



- Adams, Abigail
- Adashko-Rein, Melissa
- Ashton, Willa
- Bailin, Mackenzie
- Bishop, Emily
- Bulger, Matthew
- Carda, Rowan
- Clinton, Lindsey
- Cook, Gabriel
- Crisafi, Amelia
- Crofton, Julia
- Demskie, Julia
- DePoala, Charles
- DePoala, Samuel
- DiDonna, Margaret
- Diedhiou, Nafissatou
- Dillehay, Peter
- Fabella, Joshua
- Feeney, Marla May
- Gambino, Cienna
- Gandin, Olivia
- Gorney, Benjamin
- Guido, Annalina
- Gullickson, Nylla
- Haselton, Dahlia
- Hunlock, Steven
- Hunlock, Madison
- Hyland, Ryan
- Johnson, Nathaniel
- Kiley, Madison
- Kirsch, Ana
- Kutzin, Nicholas
- Lieme, Zachary
- Lochard, Finnian
- MacDonald, Wren
- Nocito, Lily
- O'Brien, Kari
- Oremus, Quinn
- Pine, Mina
- Roff, Elizabeth
- Rynne, Eamonn
- Shannon, Audrey
- Spring, Clea
- Stelmaszyk, Ruby
- Straut, Amber
- Todaro, Marco
- Triguero, Jenna
- Trinkle, Savannah
- Vasquez, Jenna
- Veranes Suarez, Alicia
- Zaborowski, Ava
- Zissu, Aili

GOURMET

This week Gourmet foods students prepared and served snacks for the A Cappella in the "Courtyard" event. - Ms. Tuttle





Have Bands, Will Travel!
music at New Paltz Pride
Parade and also the
NPMS Cafeteria
courtesy of
NPHS Band Students



LIBRARY

Students have enjoyed taking "brain breaks" recently in the library Cozy Corner. Thanks to the NP Foundation for Student Enhancement, students can play giant Connect Four and many other board games as well as activities such as puzzles, coloring, and origami. -Ms. Arkans



Last year the Art Department started the Graduating Artist Brick Painting and this year's Seniors are continuing the tradition. This is optional and open to all graduating art students. Come to the Art Wing to see their personalized bricks. -Mr. Martin

ART



STUDENT GOVERNMENT

During lunch, Student Government provided ice cream, games, crafts and fun on our last Friday of the school year. - Ms. Costello



CARING, CONNECTING, MAKING A DIFFERENCE