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New Milford High School



Schaghticoke



Sarah Noble



Hill & Plain



John Pettibone



Northville

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Spotlight on New Milford Schools

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April 2011

Happy Spring! As spring is a time for renewal, we thought this would be a great time to resume publication of the district newsletter.

This newsletter will be a monthly publication (September through June) designed to keep parents and community members in New Milford informed about what is happening in the schools.

Each month the newsletter will include information about all six New Milford schools, a calendar of events, sports schedules, student and staff achievements, general information of use to parents and much more!

If you have ideas, comments or questions about the newsletter you may email:

schoolnews@newmilfordps.org.

Deadline for publication will be the 20th of the month (i.e. May 20th for the June newsletter).

We hope you enjoy this issue and the many to follow.

NMHS Parent Meeting Block Scheduling

Do you have a student that will attend the High School next year? If so, you'll want to be sure to attend a parent meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m. at New Milford High School.

This meeting is designed to provide parents information about the new

"block" schedule that will be implemented during the 2011-2012 school year.

Education.com defines block scheduling as "scheduling the school day into 'blocks' of class time. Sometimes referred to as Extended-Period Schedules, block scheduling keeps students in class for

longer periods of time, reduces the time students spend transitioning between classes, and gives students and teachers more opportunities to get to know each other."



Photo courtesy of Sarah Weaver.

The Drowsy Chaperone



Brendan N. as the "The Man in the Chair" waiting by the phone in *The Drowsy Chaperone*.

In late March, over 50 New Milford High School students put on quite a show! The students performed *The Drowsy Chaperone* as this year's annual musical.

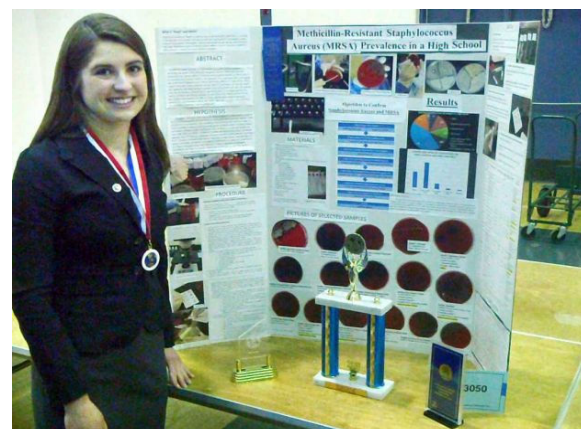
The students were supported by Musical Director Robert Keck, Choreographer Debbie McGuire, Costumer Cindy Tyler and Producer Steve Donahue.

The Drowsy Chaperone is a show within a show. The "Man in the Chair" suffers from "non-specific sadness." Attempting to cure his ailment, he listens to a recording of a 1928 musical and as he listens, the characters appear in his apartment. The "Man in the Chair" offers his personal commentary as the recorded musical plays out.

NMHS

Science Fair Winner

New Milford High School junior Toni V. won the Connecticut State Science Fair at Quinnipiac University for her project on the MRSA bacteria. In addition to a \$1,000 scholarship, Toni was awarded a trip to the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair held in Los Angeles, CA in May.



Wrestling Champ

New Milford High School students are well rounded—they do well in academics, they're talented actors and they're great athletes!

Conor K. became the first New Milford High School wrestler to win a

New England Championship at the New England Wrestling Tournament in early March.

In addition to his record win, Conor had a perfect 46-0 season.

Making a Difference

RAK—random act of kindness. That phrase is often heard around the holidays, but at Schaghticoke Middle School (SMS) it's an on-going theme. Members of the 7th and 8th grade student council (listed below) are working hard to bring awareness of the communities' needs to the students of SMS.

Student Council members have stayed busy baking for Loaves and Fishes, collecting "items of comfort" for an Afghanistan based platoon they adopted and collecting games and toys for the New Milford Hospital Children's Center

waiting room.

Additionally, they've collected Yoplait lids—earning 10 cents each and spear-headed a "letters to Santa" letter writing campaign earning \$1 per letter for the "Make a Wish" foundation. They have also organized monthly awareness projects for breast cancer, Alzheimer's disease and high blood pressure.

Student Council Advisor Tracy Nevins comments, "I am really very proud of what the children have accomplished thus far. They have

very lofty goals—everything we do is driven by their desire to help others."

One recipient, Army Private Matt Cappello, currently stationed in Afghanistan, paid a visit to the students during his leave. He wanted to personally thank the students for their generosity.

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8th Grade Student Council

8th grade Student Council members are:

Michael F.
Abby H.
Cassie F.
Zoe M.
Anthony M.
Tess H.
Nick D.
David A.

Sylvia O.
Simone B.
Ryan L.
Leanne G.
Saige B.
Paige F.
Noah O.
Samantha M.
Jessica H.

Student Council Advisors:

Mrs. Tracey Nevins
Mrs. Christine Concillio
Mrs. Robyn Hicks

7th Grade Student Council

7th grade Student Council members include:

Alexa K.
Nathaniel D.
Eric N.
Kayla B.
Sophie L.
Peter W.
James K.
Stosh D.

Zachary P.
Robert C.
Erin L.
Christopher C.
Eric V.
Domingo F.
Olivia L.
Gabby S.



Private Matt Cappello talks with SMS student council members during his visit to thank them for their generosity—they sent "comfort items" to his platoon in Afghanistan.

Character Education

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- Respect
- Responsibility
- Honesty
- Compassion
- Perseverance
- Citizenship
- Integrity
- Loyalty
- Courage
- Cooperation

Sound like the Boy Scout motto? Those are the ten character attributes taught district wide as part of the Character Education Program. A different character trait is highlighted each month. April's character attribute is loyalty.

92 students in Mrs. Carol Fogel's and Mrs. Amy Marsan's sixth grade (Team 2) classes

at Sarah Noble Intermediate School learned first hand about Loyalty.

"Students examined the impact on themselves and others when loyalty was demonstrated. I wanted students to realize why it is important to be loyal," Mrs. Fogel said.

A "Loyalty Graffiti Wall" was created by the students and each student then wrote their thoughts about being loyal. Comments written on the wall included:

"I will be loyal to my friends and family when they are in need of help."

"I can be loyal by sticking up for my friends if they're being made fun of."

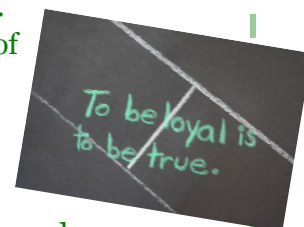
An acrostic says,
Love
Outstanding
You love your family
Always stand tall for
your friends
Loving friends
Terrific character
Your heart

Character Education at Sarah Noble is reinforced through the O.S.C.A.R. program started by principal Les Weintraub two years ago.

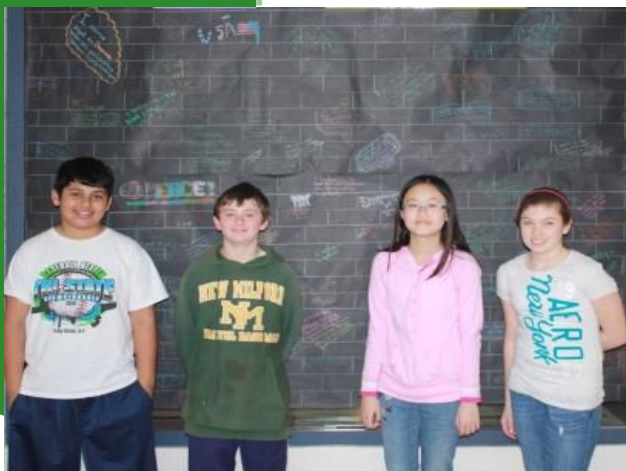
The OSCAR program was designed to recognize outstanding student character. Any staff member can award an OSCAR to a student.

A copy of the OSCAR goes in a grade level box and every two weeks an OSCAR medallion winner is awarded.

Mrs. Fogel and Mrs. Marsan encourage parents to access the New Milford Schools web-site at www.newmilfordps.org to see the character trait for the month. Additionally, they suggest parents open a dialogue with their children about the traits, read and discuss a book with a good character theme and praise children when they display good character.



(l-r) Noah M., Max V., Jessica H. and Jamie M. stand in front of the Loyalty Graffiti wall made by them and their 88 peers from Sixth grade (Team 2) in the main hallway of Sarah Noble.



Science Savvy



The students are Hill and Plain Elementary School are science savvy thanks to the hard work and dedication of parent volunteers, the cooperation of school staff and a grant funded by the Hill and Plain PTO.

Three years ago Mrs. Janet Taub, a parent and volunteer at Hill and Plain, presented the idea of a science cart to the Hill and Plain PTO. The idea was based on an art program in another Connecticut school.

With the approval of school administration, the PTO provided \$2,000 in funding to get the science cart “rolling.” Lessons were planned with classroom teachers and PTO volunteers (a close relationship that is still strong

3 years later), supplies were purchased and call went out for volunteers.

“The response was extremely impressive,” remembers Mrs. Taub. “Parents who did not traditionally volunteer welcomed the chance to be involved in their child’s science education.”

Four lessons are taught in each classroom. The final lesson, taught in the spring, relates to the newly installed garden. Every child at Hill and Plain is involved in planting the school garden.

“Our goal was to enrich the students’ science education, not to replace the things the teachers were already doing.” Mrs. Taub comments. “We were able to do the experiments that

perhaps they (teachers) wanted to do but couldn’t, either because of lack of supplies or extra hands!”

“The science cart program is a wonderful addition to our school and the students and staff members love these science activities.” reports Dr. Sandra Nadeau, principal of Hill and Plain Elementary School.

Science cart lessons have included “soggy paper” experiments, kindergarten students looking at tree bark and leaves with magnifying glasses and the creation of an earth worm habitat.

On May 24th, Hill and Plain will be hosting their 3rd annual science fair. The fair is not a competition but a chance for families to present a simple science project or experiment. Classroom science cart activities are displayed and local science based organization attend.

“It’s a wonderful celebration of the achievements of the students.” Mrs. Taub adds.

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Above left, Hill and Plain kindergarten students examine tree bark.

Below, R.J. and Tony H. display their science fair exhibit on potential and kinetic energy.



Superkids!



JPS Kindergarteners, (l-r) Jake M. and Jacob S., look over their Superkids workbook during class.

Have you met Cass, Hot Rod, Fritz or Oswald? They're the Superkids—a new reading curriculum implemented this school year in all New Milford kindergarten classrooms.

The Superkids, a cast of fictional characters, engage the students while teaching reading and writing. Each Superkid has a unique personality and their own songs and stories. The program is designed to promote reading achievement in grades K-2. Currently New Milford is using the program in kindergarten, but is planning to expand its use to first grade.

Mrs. Catherine Russillo, a kindergarten teacher at John Pettibone School, feels the program gives students a good base knowledge and that students are more concrete in letters and sounds. Additional benefits she and the other kindergarten teachers - Mrs. Nina Shimer and Mrs. Jennifer Andrea—see include improved sentence mechanics (capital at the beginning of a sentence, period at the end, etc.) and improved handwriting.

Parents are kept in the loop with newsletters after each new letter has been introduced to the students.

Meghan Swinford, a parent of twin boys in kindergarten at JPS, feels the pro-

gram has really gotten her boys interested in reading. Meghan enjoys the parent information and books that come home after each lesson and uses them to reinforce what has been taught in the classroom.

Meghan's favorite part of the program is the "Ice Cream Paper" - the corresponding handwriting pages. The kids are taught to form letters in relation to an ice cream cone with three scoops—chocolate, vanilla and strawberry. She feels the kids can relate better and therefore retain the letter formations, leading to better handwriting.

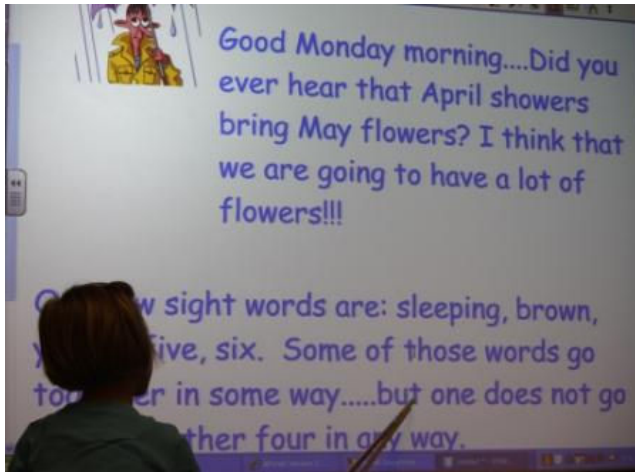
But what about the real critics—the students? Teachers and parents alike report that the students are excited to meet the characters and talk about them frequently.

The kindergarten teachers are excited about the prospect of all day kindergarten, which is in the proposed 2011-2012 school budget. They feel that a longer school day would give them time for more reinforcement and enrichment.



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SMART Boards



1st grader, Morgan C., reads the morning greeting on the SMART Board in her classroom.

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One of the “jobs” in my first grade classroom was cleaning the chalkboards at the end of the day. No such job exists in Mrs. Janine Helbig’s first grade class at Northville Elementary School. That’s because Mrs. Helbig uses an interactive whiteboard called a SMART Board.

Mrs. Helbig’s first introduction to a SMART Board was two years ago on a moveable cart in the computer lab. That SMART Board was donated by Northville’s PTO. This past February, Mrs. Helbig received her own - bringing the total number of SMART Boards at Northville to 13.

Mrs. Helbig and her first grade students use the SMART Board in every subject area:

- Language Arts—writing and editing
- Math—telling time, counting money, addition, subtraction, charting, etc.
- Social Studies—various education material can be utilized such as watching a video about Ireland—seeing firsthand the landscape and even visiting Blarney castle while learning about St. Patrick’s Day.
- Science—viewing experiments, studying animals, etc.

Since the SMART Board is an interactive touch screen with audio capabilities, Mrs. Helbig appreciates the multisensory approach to education.

Learning is enhanced for students with several different learning styles.

Parents support the use of the SMART Board. They enjoy hearing their students talk about working with it.

“They’re very proficient,” Mrs. Helbig says. “A real support to me.”

Scholastic News, a weekly educational current events publication, has produced SMART Board ready lessons that Mrs. Helbig utilizes. She encourages parents to visit www.sni.scholastic.com to get a first hand look at the types of activities their students are experiencing in the classroom.

C A L E N D A R

New Milford Schools Calendar

April 2011

April 11—Third Grade Concert/Art Show—JPS
 April 11-15—Poetry Week—NMHS
 April 12—Coffee with the Principal 9:30 a.m.—NES
 Boys Track and Field Try-Outs 2:15 p.m.—SMS
 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 p.m. Sarah Noble Media Center
 April 13—Girls Softball Intramurals 2:15 p.m.—SMS
 Boys Track and Field Try-Outs 2:15 p.m.—SMS
 April 14—Mr. Raps' Reader's Theater 9:30 a.m.—H&P
 Activity Day—NMHS
 April 15—Family Fun Night 6:00 p.m.—JPS
 April 18-21—**Spring Recess—No School**
 April 25—**Good Friday—No School**
 April 25—**Spring Recess—No School**
 April 26-29—Kindergarten Registration by appointment—H&P
 April 27—Girls Softball Intramurals 2:15 p.m.—SMS
 April 29—Student Council Hat Day—H&P
 SNIS Jazz Band and Strings 10:45 a.m.—JPS
 Baseball/Softball Games at Rochambeau 3:45 p.m.—SMS
 Family Fun Night—NES

May 2011

May 2—Baseball/Softball at Sherman 3:30 p.m.—SMS
 May 2-5—Kindergarten Registration—JPS
 May 4—**NMHS & SMS Early Dismissal**
 Friends of Hill & Plain Volunteer Appreciation 2:00 p.m.—H&P
 Baseball/Softball at Memorial 3:45 p.m.—SMS
 May 5—Voices and Jazz Concerts 7:00 p.m.—SMS
 May 6—JPS 3rd Grade visits SNIS 9:30 a.m.
 Baseball/Softball at Shepaug 3:45 p.m.—SMS
 May 9—Baseball/Softball at Newtown 3:45 p.m.—SMS
 Celebration of Excellence Awards Night—SMS
 Spring Concert/Art Show—SNIS
 May 10—Board of Education Meeting 7:30 p.m. Sarah Noble Media Center
 May 11—Advisory Day—NMHS
 Elementary & Intermediate—Early Dismissal
 Girls Softball Intramurals 2:15 p.m.—SMS
 May 12—Grade 6 Orientation at SMS
 May 16—Baseball/Softball HOME 3:45 p.m.—SMS
 Spring Concert—SNIS
 May 18—**NMHS & SMS Early Dismissal**
 Grade 3 Orientation at SNIS
 May 19—Activity Day—NMHS
 Baseball/Softball HOME 3:45 p.m.—SMS
 May 20—Senior Prom—NMHS
 Spring Concert—SNIS

New Milford Schools Calendar Continued

- May 23—Baseball/Softball HOME 3:45 p.m.—SMS
- May 24—Grade 3 Chorus Concert 10:00 a.m.—H&P
Art Show/Science Fair 5:30 p.m.—H&P
- May 25—Activity Day—NMHS
Orchestra & Choruses 7:00 p.m.—SMS
Junior/Senior Awards—NMHS
Big Band Bash—7:00 p.m.
- May 26—Baseball/Softball HOME 3:30 p.m.—SMS
- May 27—Student Council Twin Day—H&P
- May 30—**Memorial Day—No School**
- May 31—Baseball/Softball HOME 3:45 p.m.—SMS



New Milford Library Study Aids

New Milford Library has many online databases that may be of use to students and parents. They may be accessed through the library's website:

www.newmilfordlibrary.org

Databases include:

Ebsco MasterFILE Premier

This database has more than 1,750 periodicals, 500 reference books, over 85,827 biographies and an image catalog. Database covers general reference, business, health, education, general science, multicultural issues and much more.

Novelist

This database offers readers' advisory - what's next in a series, readalikes, find the book whose title you forgot!

LearningExpressLibrary

This is an interactive test preparatory tool which simulates a testing environment for library users. It covers a growing collection of tests including: academic tests (e.g. SAT and ACT), TOEFL, adult basic skills, civil service, law enforcement, military, EMS, postal services, firefighter, and U.S. citizenship.

Consumer Health Complete

A comprehensive resource for consumer oriented health information - donated by New Milford Hospital images with searchable full text back to the first issue. The collection includes digital reproductions providing access to every page from every available issue.

Auto Repair Reference Center - this is the online version of the Chilton auto manuals.

*Database descriptions copied from www.newmilfordlibrary.org.

2011 New Milford High School Spring Sports Schedule

Freshman Baseball

Wed., 4/13	New Fairfield	HOME	4:00 p.m.
Mon., 4/11	Danbury	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Masuk	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 4/18	Weston	HOME	10:00 a.m.
Wed., 4/20	Pomperaug	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 4/25	Newtown	Away	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 4/27	Bethel	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Fri., 4/29	Brookfield	Away	3:45 p.m.
Tue., 5/3	New Fairfield	Away	4:00 p.m.
Fri., 5/6	Masuk	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Fri., 5/13	Kolbe Cath.	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/9	Weston	Away	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/11	Pomperaug	HOME	3:45 p.m.

Freshman Softball

Fri., 4/15	Pomperaug	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 4/20	Immaculate	Home	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 4/25	Newtown	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/2	Naugatuck	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	Woodland	Away	3:45 p.m.
Sat., 5/7	Holy Cross	Away	10:00 a.m.
Wed., 5/11	Pomperaug	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/16	Newtown	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Immaculate	Away	3:45 p.m.
Fri., 5/20	Naugatuck	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/23	Woodland	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/25	Holy Cross	Home	3:45 p.m.

JV Baseball

Tue., 4/12	Fairfield	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Masuk	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/21	New Fairfield	HOME	4:00 p.m.
Wed., 4/20	Joel Barlow	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Sat., 4/23	Bethel	Away	10:00 a.m.
Tue., 4/26	Oxford	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/28	New Fairfield	Away	4:15 p.m.
Sat., 4/30	Joel Barlow	Away	10:00 a.m.
Tue., 5/3	Immaculate	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 5/5	Weston	Away	4:15 p.m.
Tue., 5/10	Pomperaug	Away	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Bunnell	HOME	4:15 p.m.
Sat., 5/14	Masuk	Away	10:00 a.m.
Thu., 5/19	Newtown	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Sat., 5/21	Bunnell	Away	10:00 a.m.

JV Softball

Tue., 4/12	Fairfield	Home	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Pomperaug	Home	3:45 p.m.
Sat., 4/16	Brookfield	Home	10:00 a.m.
Thu., 4/21	New Fairfield	Home	4:15 p.m.
Sat., 4/23	Bethel	Away	10:00 a.m.
Tue., 4/26	Oxford	Home	3:45 p.m.
Sat., 4/30	Joel Barlow	Away	10:00 a.m.
Tue., 5/3	Greenwich	Away	4:30 p.m.
Thu., 5/5	Weston	Away	4:15 p.m.
Tue., 5/10	Pomperaug	Away	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Bunnell	Home	4:15 p.m.
Sat., 5/14	Masuk	Away	10:00 a.m.
Tue., 5/17	Lauralton Hall	Away	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 5/19	Newtown	Home	3:45 p.m.
Sat., 5/21	Bunnell	Away	10:00 a.m.

Varsity Baseball

Tue., 4/12	New Canaan	HOME	4:00 p.m.
Wed., 4/13	Masuk	Away	4:00 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Abbott Tech	Away	3:30 p.m.
Wed., 4/20	Fairfield	Away	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/21	Bethel	HOME	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 4/25	Oxford	Away	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 4/27	New Fairfield	HOME	4:15 p.m.
Fri., 4/29	Immaculate	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/2	Weston	HOME	4:15 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	New Fairfield	Away	4:15 p.m.
Fri., 5/6	Joel Barlow	HOME	4:00 p.m.
Mon., 5/9	Pomperaug	HOME	4:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/11	Bunnell	Away	4:15 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Masuk	HOME	4:15 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Newtown	Away	6:30 p.m.
Thu., 5/19	Bunnell	HOME	4:15 p.m.

Varsity Softball

Wed., 4/13	Pomperaug	Away	4:15 p.m.
Thu., 4/21	Bethel	Home	4:15 p.m.
Mon., 4/25	Oxford	Away	4:15 p.m.
Wed., 4/27	Kolbe Cath.	Home	4:15 p.m.
Fri., 4/29	Immaculate	Away	4:15 p.m.
Sat., 4/30	Fairfield	Away	11:00 a.m.
Mon., 5/2	Weston	Home	4:15 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	New Fairfield	Away	4:15 p.m.
Fri., 5/6	Joel Barlow	Home	4:15 p.m.
Mon., 5/9	Pomperaug	Home	4:15 p.m.
Wed., 5/11	Bunnell	Away	4:15 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Masuk	Home	4:15 p.m.
Sat., 5/14	Greenwich	Away	9:30 a.m.
Mon., 5/16	Lauralton Hall	Home	4:15 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Newtown	Away	7:00 p.m.
Thu., 5/19	Bunnell	Home	4:15 p.m.

Boys Track

Mon., 4/11	Bunnell, Immaculate, Oxford	Home	4:00 pm
Mon., 4/25	Newtown, Joel Barlow, Fairfield	Away	4:00 p.m.
Mon., 5/2	Bethel, Stratford	Away	4:00 p.m.
Mon., 5/9	New Fairfield, Weston	Home	4:00 pm
Mon., 5/16	Masuk, Brookfield, Pomperaug	Away	4:00 p.m.

Girls Track

Tue., 4/12	Bunnell, Immaculate, Oxford	Away	4:00 p.m.
Tue., 4/26	Joel Barlow, Fairfield, Newtown	Away	4:00 p.m.
Tue., 5/3	Lauralton, Stratford, Bethel	Home	4:00 pm
Tue., 5/10	New Fairfield, Weston	Away	4:00 p.m.
Tue., 5/17	Masuk, Brookfield, Pomperaug	Away	4:00 p.m.

Support your hometown team and have some great family fun—attend a high school athletic event. You will find the schedules for spring sports above and on the following page.

2011 New Milford High School Spring Sports Schedule Continued

JV Boys Lacrosse

Tue., 4/12	Immaculate	Away	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Newtown	Away	5:30 p.m.
Mon., 4/18	Masuk	Away	5:30 p.m.
Thu., 4/21	Brookfield	Home	5:30 p.m.
Mon., 4/25	Pomperaug	Home	4:00 p.m.
Thu., 4/28	Glastonbury	Away	5:00 p.m.
Sat., 4/30	Simsbury	Away	12:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	Bethel	Away	5:30 p.m.
Fri., 5/6	New Fairfield	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tue., 5/10	Joel Barlow	Home	5:30 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Weston	Home	4:15 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Bunnell	Away	5:30 p.m.

Girls JV Lacrosse

Tue., 4/12	Immaculate	Home	5:30 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Newtown	Home	5:30 p.m.
Sat., 4/16	Ridgefield	Away	10:30 a.m.
Mon., 4/18	Masuk	Home	5:30 p.m.
Thu., 4/21	Brookfield	Away	4:00 p.m.
Tue., 4/26	Lauralton Hall	Home	4:30 p.m.
Fri., 4/29	Pomperaug	Away	5:30 p.m.
Mon., 5/2	Trumbull	Away	4:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	Bethel	Home	4:30 p.m.
Thu., 5/5	New Fairfield	Home	4:30 p.m.
Tue., 5/10	Joel Barlow	Away	5:30 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Weston	Away	4:00 p.m.

Varsity Boys LaCrosse

Tue., 4/12	Immaculate	Away	5:15 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Newtown	Away	4:00 p.m.
Sat., 4/16	Arlington (NY)	Away	7:30 p.m.
Mon., 4/18	Masuk	Away	4:00 p.m.
Thu., 4/21	Brookfield	Home	4:00 p.m.
Mon., 4/25	Pomperaug	Home	6:00 p.m.
Thu., 4/28	Glastonbury	Away	5:00 p.m.
Sat., 4/30	Simsbury	Away	12:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	Bethel	Away	7:00 p.m.
Fri., 5/6	New Fairfield	Away	7:00 p.m.
Tue., 5/10	Joel Barlow	Home	6:00 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Weston	Home	6:00 p.m.
Mon., 5/16	Fairfield	Home	6:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Bunnell	Away	7:00 p.m.

Girls Varsity Lacrosse

Tue., 4/12	Immaculate	Home	4:00 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Newtown	Home	4:00 p.m.
Sat., 4/16	Ridgefield	Away	12:00 p.m.
Mon., 4/18	Masuk	Home	4:00 p.m.
Thu., 4/21	Brookfield	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tue., 4/26	Lauralton Hall	Home	6:00 p.m.
Fri., 4/29	Pomperaug	Away	7:00 p.m.
Mon., 5/2	Trumbull	Away	6:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	Bethel	Home	6:00 p.m.
Thu., 5/5	New Fairfield	Home	6:00 p.m.
Tue., 5/10	Joel Barlow	Away	4:00 p.m.
Thu., 5/12	Weston	Away	5:30 p.m.
Tue., 5/17	Fairfield	Away	4:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Bunnell	Home	6:00 p.m.

Boys Tennis

Mon., 4/11	Immaculate	Away	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 4/13	Bethel	Away	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Brookfield	Home	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 4/18	Weston	Away	10:00 a.m.
Wed., 4/20	Joel Barlow	Home	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 4/25	Newtown	Away	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 4/27	Masuk	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	Pomperaug	Home	3:45 p.m.
Fri., 5/6	Brookfield	Home	3:30 p.m.
Mon., 5/9	Bunnell	Away	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/11	Stratford	Home	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/16	New Fairfield	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Masuk	Away	3:45 p.m.
Fri., 5/20	Nonnewaug	Home	3:30 p.m.

Girls Tennis

Mon., 4/11	Immaculate	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 4/13	Bethel	Home	3:45 p.m.
Thu., 4/14	Brookfield	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 4/18	Weston	Home	10:00 a.m.
Tue., 4/19	Joel Barlow	Away	10:30 a.m.
Mon., 4/25	Newtown	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 4/27	Masuk	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/2	Fairfield	Home	3:45 p.m.
Wed., 5/4	Pomperaug	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/9	Bunnell	Home	4:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/11	Stratford	Away	3:45 p.m.
Mon., 5/16	New Fairfield	Away	4:00 p.m.
Wed., 5/18	Bethel	Away	3:45 p.m.
Fri., 5/20	Nonnewaug	Home	3:30 p.m.

ATHLETICS

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DISPATCH

Inexpensive Spring Break Ideas

Spring Break is just a few weeks away. Are you staying home and looking for some ideas that won't break the bank? Here are a few to consider:

1. Picnic in the Park. New Milford has several parks and any of them would make an ideal picnic spot. Bring along a Frisbee or a soccer ball for some additional family fun. A list of parks can be found [here](#).
2. Do some community service. Pick up trash at a park, make a food item for Loaves and Fishes, offer to help a neighbor clean their yard of sticks and debris or go to the Animal Shelter and play with pets waiting for adoption.
3. Rainy Day? Catch a movie. Bank Street and other area theaters offer matinee and student pricing.
4. Visit the [McCarthy Observatory](#) and take a walk through the Scale Solar System.
5. Take a hike at [The Pratt Center](#), [Mt. Tom](#) or [Kent Falls State Park](#).
6. Find additional ideas close to home [here](#).