



Newcastle Elementary & Charter School 2021-22

HEROES OF THE CASTLE

All for One and One for All!

Week of 5/30/2022

Last of the Year

News:

LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL! Our final culminating events are this week! Please be sure to connect with your child's teacher regarding their special end-of-the-year activities.

Yearbooks are here! Teachers will be distributing yearbooks to students that have pre-purchased them in their classrooms on Tuesday, May 31. We have a limited supply for sale for \$35.00 which can be purchased in the school office before school, after school, and during lunch.

Graduation Dinner & Ceremony - Information about all graduation activities can be found [HERE!](#)

PTC Shout Out! - Another BIG THANKS to our incredible PTC for helping us this week with Field Day. Grades 1-8 will have their activities on the lower campus near the pond. **Students should wear closed-toe athletic shoes for field activities.** There will be games, treats, music, and FUN for all. TK/K will hold their activities in the kindergarten courtyard.

Best Wishes and Thanks - We want to extend our appreciation to Mrs. Percival (Kindergarten), Mr. Wells (7th grade), and Mrs. Ferrera (8th grade) for their time and dedication to our students. We wish them the very best as they transition to new adventures next year.

Attention Incoming 7th graders! This is a reminder for all current 6th grade students. It is a state requirement that all students entering 7th grade must be fully vaccinated, including a Tdap booster, 2 MMR vaccinations and 2 Varicella (chickenpox) vaccinations. Please provide verification from your healthcare provider to the school office as soon as possible. Students will not be allowed to attend school if their vaccinations are not up to date prior to the start of school in August.

Student Medications - Please make arrangements to pick up all medications that your child has in the health office at school. We cannot keep these over the summer, and they must be picked up by the last day of school. When your child returns to school in August, we will need a new order from your physician for the medication. There will be a copy of the form attached to your child's medication when you pick them up.

Lost and Found - LAST CALL! All unclaimed items will be donated after June 3rd.

Summer Bridge Program- Placer Union High School / Del Oro High School June 6-9th. Click [here](#) for more information.

Summer iReady Learning - All currently enrolled students will have access to iReady reading and math for the entire summer. All summer learning is optional but encouraged.

2022-23 School Year Planning- Please notify Tami in the school office if you are moving or your child will not be attending Newcastle for the 2022-23 school year. Tami can be reached at tforcier@newcastle.k12.ca.us or (916)663-3307, Ext. 2200. Thank you!

Back to School Data Confirmation, Forms, and Class Assignments - Please look for an email in mid-July for this information.

Washington DC Trip - Worlds Strides is a for-profit organization that works with organizations to provide historical trips for student groups. A parent group, not sponsored by the school, is working to provide this experience in the spring of 2023. Families are now registering for this trip. For information contact [Ashlie Sandoval](#) or [Whitney Bell](#).

Placer High School Girls Volleyball Summer Schedule/ Kids Camp Information [Here](#)

Del Oro Girls Summer Basketball Camp Information [Here](#)

Del Oro Summer Sports Camp Information [Here](#)

Thank you students and parents for a great school year! While we faced many challenges, we worked together to navigate them to provide a positive and productive learning experience for our children.

Through it all, being together for in-person instruction has been such a joy.

We appreciate your partnership, trust, and support.

Happy Summer Vacation!

We wish our graduates the very best!

We look forward to seeing our Knights back on Wednesday, August 10th!

May/June 2022

Monday, 5/30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL
Tuesday, 5/31	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Yearbooks out● 3rd Grade to SMUD Museum● 8th Grade Graduation Dinner - 6 pm @ The Ridge
Wednesday, 6/1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Field Day 8:30 - 11:15 Grades 1-8 *Wear tennis shoes
Thursday, 6/2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 8th Grade Graduation - 6 pm in amphitheater *Graduates arrive to class @ 5:15 pm
Friday, 6/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● TK/K Family Celebration - 9:30 am in Kinder Courtyard● LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - Minimum Day 12:10 Release

Our (Final) Stellar Knight Winners:

Piper J. Joseph P. Kailina B. Avery R.

Sven C. Gemma F. McKenna W. Rylan H. Henrietta M. Elijah P. Greysen S. Avery M. Issac B. Xander R. Cori V. Caleb C. Holly M. Kaylee H. Rene T. Josh B. Emily B. Riley W. Evelyn H. Siena A. Wyatt L. Matias B.

Knights Cafe' - [May/June 2020](#)

2022-23 School Year Upcoming Events:

8/2 - Class assignments posted through Aeries Parent Portal
8/10 - First Day of School (first bell 7:55 am)
8/11 - Grades 6-8 Tech & Curriculum Check-Out
8/12 - Grades 1-5 Tech Check-Out
8/12 - Grades 6-8 Embedded Enrichment Classes Sign-Up Forms Out
8/16 - National Tell a Joke Day (Get your funny, appropriate jokes ready)
8/17 - Grades 6-8 Embedded Enrichment Class Sign-Up Forms DUE
8/18 - Back to School Night 6:00 - 7:30
8/19 - Safety Drills
8/22 - 6-8 Embedded Enrichment Classes Begin
8/23 - Library Committee Training
8/24 - Music Docent Training
8/26 - Kite Assembly (Tentative)
8/29 - Vision Screening Grades K, 2, 5 & 8
8/30 - National Beach Day - Spirit Day/Wear Beach Attire
8/31 - Picture Day
9/2 - Grades 6-8 Rally
9/5 - Labor Day - NO SCHOOL
9/9 - Safety Drill
9/15 - Site Council Meeting
9/22 - National Ice Cream Cone Day! PTC Treats
9/29 - SOTM Assembly Grades TK-3
10/14 - Knight in the Country Family Event - PTC
10/19 - Picture Retake Day
10/20 - Safety Drills
10/20 - Site Council Meeting
10/31 - Halloween Parade
11/1 - NO SCHOOL - Staff Professional Development
11/9 - Veteran's Day Celebration
11/10 - Trimester 1 Awards Assembly Grades 4-8
11/11 - Veteran's Day - NO SCHOOL
11/14-18 - Minimum Days for Fall Conferences
11/14 - Book Fair
11/30 - Safety Drill
12/13 - Safety Drill
12/15 - SOTM Assembly (Nov & Dec)
12/19-1/3/23 - Winter Break

Ongoing Events:

- **Every Monday is a PLC 1:30 - 2:30**
- **Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday is a Staff Meeting 3:00 - 4:00**
- **School Site Council/DAC/LCAP Advisory Committee Meeting 2nd Thursday of the month**
- **PTC 3rd Thursday of the month**

COVID Safety - It is imperative that students DO NOT come to school if they are exhibiting COVID symptoms including: Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.

In the event of a Close Contact, Newcastle will enact a Group-Tracing Approach to Students Exposed to COVID-19 in a K-12 setting.

Exposures that occur in the home are significantly higher risk than exposures in the school setting. This means the likelihood that the student exposed at home will become infected is very high. For this reason, students exposed at home should follow the standard CDPH guidance for Isolation and Quarantine – which has differences based on a person’s vaccination status.

If you have additional questions, please refer to the PCOE COVID-19 Response Protocol, updated March 12, 2022, [HERE](#).

Absences - There are three (3) ways to report an absence to the school:

1. Call the office attendance line at (916) 663-3307 then press 3 and leave a message after the beep.
2. Email the school office staff.
3. Submit using our website [Absence Reporting Tool](#).

If verification of a student's absence due to illness has not occurred within three (3) school days, the unverified absence will be recorded as unexcused. Per state education code, after three days, an unexcused absence cannot be changed. If a student is absent for 3 or more consecutive days a doctor's note is required. Students with excessive tardiness, absences and/or habitual truancy may be referred to SARB. The following are the only legal excuses that will be accepted by the office for absences and tardies as outlined in Education Code 48205: 1) Personal illness; 2) Quarantine under the direction of the county or city health officer; 3) Medical, dental, optometric or chiropractic appointments, court appearance; 4) Attendance at funeral services; or 5) Participation in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction in accordance with district policy. *Family trips/vacations are unexcused absences unless an Independent Study contract is granted. Please contact your child's teacher or the school office at least five school days in advance of a trip, regarding Independent Study.*

Aeries Parent Portal Information - There are still some families that have not updated their contact information, completed the Data Confirmation process or have questions about using the portal.

Please click here for the [link to the Parent Portal Login page](#). Once you have logged in successfully, please see the attached information with [guidance for navigating the Parent Portal](#).

Campus Traffic - Please follow the car pick-up guidelines [HERE](#)

PTC News - Volunteer or join our PTC board at <https://www.ptcnewcastle.org/signup>

Social Media - Follow us for the latest updates [Newcastle Website](#)



GO KNIGHTS!