

**Parent & Student Weekly Email**  
**Nitschmann Middle School Weekly Update**  
**Sunday, October 28, 2018, to Sunday, November 4, 2018**

**Home of the Nitschmann Nation!**

**All of this information can be viewed at our**  
**Nitschmann Middle School Website under Weekly Announcements (Click Here!)**

**Attachments to Review**

NIMAS Bingo Flyer

**Upcoming Dates to Be Proactive!**

**(All dates are listed from our [NMS Website](#), [BASD Event Calendar](#), & [BASD Academic Calendar](#))**

*10/30 Free PIAA Sport Physicals at Northeast 5-7PM; 10/30 LHS Wrestling Organizational Meeting 3:05 Gym; 10/31 11:30 Dismissal Teacher In-Service & End of 1st Quarter; 11/1 Free PIAA Sport Physicals at Freedom 5-7PM; 11/2-Dance; 11/6 Teacher In-Service - Schools Closed; 11/9 NIMAS Bingo; 11/14 Fall Sports Banquet; 11/15 Quebec Meeting; 11/18 Spanish Club Bingo; 11/19 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences (Evening); 11/20 11:30 Dismissal Student Conferences (Afternoon); 11/21-26 Thanksgiving Holiday - Schools Closed; 12/24-1/2/19 Winter Holiday; 1/21 MLK Day - Schools Closed; 1/24 End of 2nd Quarter; 2/15 Teacher In-Service Schools Closed; 2/18 Presidents Day - Schools Closed; 3/12 11:30 Dismissal Teacher In-Service; 3/29 End of 3rd Quarter 4/9 11:30 Dismissal Teacher In-Service; 4/15-26 PSSA ELA Exams (exact dates TBA); 4/29-5/3 PSSA Math Exams (exact dates TBA); 4/18-4/22 Spring & Easter Break - Schools Closed; 5/13-24 Keystone Exams (exact dates TBA); 5/27 Memorial Day - Schools Closed; 6/5 Tentative LHS Graduation; 6/6 Tentative 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 7pm; 6/7 Tentative Last Day of School & End of 4th Quarter*

**Weekly Schedule & Highlights**

**Monday, 10/29/18 Day 1**

**Tuesday, 10/30/18 Day 2** Free Winter Physicals @ Northeast 5-7pm

**Wednesday, 10/31/18 Day 3** **11:35am Dismissal Schedule** Teacher In-Service

**Thursday, 11/1/18 Day 4**

**Friday, 11/2/18 Day 5** Spanish Club Dance 6pm-8pm

**Saturday, 11/3/18**

**Sunday, 11/4/18** Clocks "Fall Back" One Hour

**Next Week Weekly Schedule & Highlights**

**Monday, 11/5/18 Day 6** NPG Meeting 6:30pm

**Tuesday, 11/6/18** **No School/Teacher In-Service/Election Day**

**Wednesday, 11/7/18 Day 1**

**Thursday, 11/8/18 Day 2**

**Friday, 11/9/18 Day 3**

**Saturday, 11/10/18**

**Sunday, 11/11/18**

**BASD Dining Services Menu & Website** <https://bethlehemareasd.sodexomyway.com/landing/mid>

**PE/Health Schedule (Villani, Long, Weinert)** Mrs. Long in Health starting Day 1  
Ms. Weinert and Mr. Villani in the gym.

**Recent Nitschmann News!** (Always posted on our Social Media sites too!)

*Twitter [@NitschmannMS](#); Facebook [@NitschmannMiddleSchool](#); Instagram [@BASDNitschmannMS](#); [NMS School Website](#); [YouTube](#)*

**Is your child sick?** You can submit your child's sick note by email to [ni-attendance@basdschools.org](mailto:ni-attendance@basdschools.org), as long as the email on your child's account matches the email address. Please keep your email address up-to-date by emailing our Student

Services Guidance Secretary Mrs. Scott at [sscott@basdschools.org](mailto:sscott@basdschools.org)! Please note that this is *ONLY* for sick notes, not for early release or any other questions!

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### School-wide Announcements

**BASD E-News (Dr. Roy)** The BASD e-News is designed to highlight BASD student and staff achievements and share events and activities going on in the BASD and the Lehigh Valley. It is our hope that you find it informative. The latest edition is available at [BASD e-News from Dr. Roy](#).

**GoGuardian Web Filtering & Monitoring (Mayes)** In an effort to continuously improve our methods and procedures for protecting your children against any inappropriate material on the Internet, our District is piloting a software called GoGuardian. GoGuardian is a filtering and monitoring software that allows the District and individual classroom teachers to identify the websites students should be visiting for instructional purposes. GoGuardian assists the District and individual classroom teachers in keeping students on-task and engaged to reach their highest potential. GoGuardian is set up to filter and monitor only during the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and only on District Chromebooks.

**Registration Gateway (Mayes)** A reminder that start of the school year paperwork is due no later than October 31, 2018 on the Registration Gateway (<https://www.beth.k12.pa.us/ParentsStudents/>)

**Shoe Drive (Mayes)** We are collecting gently used shoes in a box in Student Services to help pay off student lunch debts around the BASD. Please see the attached flyer for more information!

**Marker Collection (Novatnak)** Boxes to collect used markers for recycling through the Crayola ColorCycle program have been placed on each floor. They are located by the cafeteria TV screen and near rooms 107, 207 and 307. Markers of any brand or type (sharpies, watercolor markers, highlighters, dry erase) are eligible for the recycling program.

**6th Grade Gifted Seminar (Mendez)** - Reminder that the Archaeology Dig is a week away - Monday, October, 29, weather permitting, along the canal in Freemansburg. Parents, please join us if your schedule allows. Email Mrs. Mendez with any questions: [dmendez@basdschools.org](mailto:dmendez@basdschools.org).

**Día de los Muertos Café (Srta. Bouhana)** **Wednesday October 31st from 7:45 to 8:30 am** Spanish club will be selling churros, empanadas, flan, and beverages. Everything is \$1, so skip breakfast and come down to the large group room for some Spanish treats.

**Día de los Muertos Dance (Srta. Bouhana)** **Friday November 2nd 6-8pm.** We will be hosting the November dance themed after the Day of the Dead, which is a Spanish holiday that celebrates the lives of our loved ones who have passed and their impact on our lives. If you've seen Coco, you have an idea of what it will look like. We will have a face painting station and a photo booth (\$2). There will also be a piñata raffle at the end of the night.

**Spain Trip (Srta. Bouhana)** We still have a few spots left that are still available. All Nitschmann students are welcome on this trip, as well as siblings who are under the age of 18 and over the age of 11 during the time of travel. Parents and siblings (at least eleven years old) are welcome to accompany their children as fellow travelers. If you are interested in the trip and haven't already enrolled, click on the following link in order to get more detailed information, and to register for the trip and save your spot. [www.eftours.com/2119250hv](http://www.eftours.com/2119250hv)

**Spanish Club Bingo (Srta. Bouhana)** **November 18.** We will have a Bingo event on Sunday, November 18 from 12pm to 5pm. Tickets cost \$20 if you buy them in advance, and \$25 if you buy at the door. There will be cash prizes, basket raffles, and food for sale. Join us for our Pre-Thanksgiving celebration. If you're interested in reserving tickets fill out the following Google form [Bingo Ticket Reservation](#)

**Quebec Trip (Mme Lare)** Nitschmann will go on its first-ever winter trip over Presidents' Weekend in 2019. This trip is open to all 6th graders, to 7th and 8th-grade students in French, and space permitting, to all other students. There are only 8 seats left on the bus! If you're a sixth grader or if you're a 7th or 8th grade French student wanting to go on the trip but you

have not registered, please contact Mme Lare right away to get information and registration instructions. Madame Lare's email is [alare@basdschools.org](mailto:alare@basdschools.org).

**Yankee Candle for Christmas (Srta. Bouhana)** If you like shopping from Yankee Candle, or simply want to support club activities, please use the following link when shopping. The link is valid until January and will ensure 40% of the sale is donated to Nitschmann Spanish Club [Yankee Candle Fundraiser Link](#)

**Nitschmann Parent Group (NPG) -Follow us on Twitter! @NitschmannPG**  
[nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com](mailto:nitschmannparentgroup@gmail.com)

**Executive Committee**

Pres. - Erin Coughlin [ecogs76@gmail.com](mailto:ecogs76@gmail.com)

VP - Deb Clark [clark70g@msn.com](mailto:clark70g@msn.com)

Treasurer -

Secretary / Volunteer Coordinator - Kimberly Marcantonio [JK0359@HOTMAIL.com](mailto:JK0359@HOTMAIL.com)

**PAC Representatives**

- 1) Amy Wuertele
- 2) Kimberly Marcantonio
- 3) Therese Gyauch

Hello Parents:

Our next meeting will be November 5th at 6:30 in the library. We will be planning for our next dance and our Holiday Extravaganza.

Speaking of the Extravaganza it will be Monday evening November 19th this year and if anyone would want to be part of our committee please just email me at [ecogs76@gmail.com](mailto:ecogs76@gmail.com). It's a great night for shopping and I am hoping to get some amazing vendors.

If you or someone you know is a vendor please email me at [ecogs76@gmail.com](mailto:ecogs76@gmail.com) and I will send you an application. The cost is \$20.00 for a table and if you could donate something we can raffle off in our silent auction that would be great.

We are also doing a Box Top Drive this month so please send in any box tops you have. The class in each grade that brings in the most box tops will get a pizza lunch in November. So clip and send them in!!

Thank you and have a great week!  
Erin Coughlin

**Academic Team Updates**

**Team Lafayette** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSLafayette](#)) Nitschmann celebrated Spirit Week last week. Every day had a different theme. On Thursday, we attended a pep rally. Friday was the Walkathon. This coming Wednesday is the end of the first Marking Period. Look for report cards November 13. Next Wednesday, October 31, is Idiom Day. Students can dress as their idiom for extra credit in language arts. If time allows, we are planning on watching a Halloween themed movie, The Haunted Mansion Rated PG. If you prefer not to have your child watch this movie, please send a note in with your child and an alternate activity will be provided. Wednesday is also an 11:30 dismissal day.

**Team Lehigh** (6th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamLehigh](#)) We had a fantastic Walk-a-thon and team celebration today. Thank you to all of you who donated to the school. Your support is greatly appreciated. Congratulations to this month's Pride of the Lions: Dante DeAngelo, Ben Myer, Nadia Ali, and Molly Patrick (Encore); Mountain Hawk Awards: Addison Sabo and Finn Dougherty; and our Decent Human Beings: Isabella Fleck, Aaliyah Ramataur, Kadin Hawk, Sophie Rivera, and Megan Goodman. We also recognized our band and color guard for their outstanding work this marching season, everyone who wore pink and of course our November birthdays! It was a great day.

Sadly too many of our students did not get to participate in the celebration due to missing work. We would like to improve upon this as the year goes on and hopefully get 100% participation by the end of the school year. Please keep an eye on Home Access Center and the students' planners to be sure they have completed what is supposed to be done. The official end of the marking period is this coming Wednesday so there is still time to get those missing assignments turned in!

Next week, we will be focusing on idioms. As a culminating activity, all 6th graders are asked to dress as an idiom. If time allows, we are planning on watching a Halloween themed movie, The Haunted Mansion Rated PG. If you prefer not to have your child watch this movie, please send a note in with your child and an alternate activity will be provided.

**Team Moravian** (6th) - (Twitter [@NMSTeamMoravian](#)) Thank you to all the students that participated in Spirit Week! Next week, we will be focusing on idioms. As a culminating activity, all 6th graders are asked to dress as an idiom. If time allows, we are planning on watching a Halloween themed movie, The Haunted Mansion Rated PG. If you prefer not to have your child watch this movie, please send a note in with your child and an alternate activity will be provided. Please continue to monitor Home Access Center. All students were given time on Friday to complete any missing assignments or to re-submit assignments to improve their scores.

**Team Kutztown** (7th) (Twitter [@TeamKutztown](#)) - **Team** - Congratulations and a huge thank you to all Team Kutztown students who contributed to make our 2018-19 Mary's Shelter Baby Bottle Campaign a success. This year's total surpassed last year's total by \$28 for a grand total of \$901. Well done! A special thank you goes out to 7th grader, Isabelle Morales, who used her artistic talents to make a huge presentation check for Friday's assembly! It was wonderful, Isabelle!  
**English (Mr. Falteich)** - This week marks the halfway point of the author study unit. Students will learn the 5 methods of fictional characterization and discuss how Saki applies them in the short story, "The Lumber Room." There will be a quiz on Thursday on all literary terms discussed during our reading of the first 4 Saki stories. Students will receive an outline to help them prepare for the quiz. **Science (Mr. Pearson)** - There will be a test on measuring distance, mass, volume, density, and converting between temperature scales on Thursday, November 1st.

**Team Penn State** (7th) **Follow us on social media!!** (Twitter [@NMSPennState](#)) (Facebook [@NMSTeamPennState](#)) (Instagram [pennstatenms](#)) **The quarter officially ends Oct. 31....all work for classes needs to be completed!** **ELA-** Please continue to check grades and be proactive!! All work is due by this Wednesday, October 31st, which is the end of the marking period. We will be starting our narrative writing assignment this week and focusing on powerful introductions. In addition, the students will receive their new vocabulary lists on Monday. **SCIENCE-**Sciwordophilia- Creatures created using the Latin and Greek prefix/suffix/roots will be due on Wed. This week we will return to science court to get a working definition of all the qualities that living things possess. **MATH** - Periods 1,2,5 and 7 are starting a new unit on Ratio and Proportion. At this point, they should start bringing their calculators to class every day. Period 8 will have a quiz on Monday on Sections 3-1 - 3-4. Expect students to have homework in math almost every day, all year. Most students are demonstrating responsibility in this area, but others are earning zeros. **Reading-** We will finish the movie and write a comparison paper. Test this week for class 1,2,5 and 7. We will begin The Lottery in honor of the jackpots that I didn't win. **Social Studies-** We will have the 5 Themes of geography vocabulary test Monday 10/22. Our "create a place" project is due 10/30.

**Team East Stroudsburg** (8th) (Twitter [@NMSTeamESU](#)) History classes will begin Unit 2, Colonial Living. This unit will focus on life in Colonial Bethlehem. Extra credit will be available by taking selfies with building that are over 200 years old. Reading classes will complete a Text Based Analysis on John Wilkes Booth's goals. Notebooks will be collected for a quarterly grade. All book reports are due Monday. Each day late results in a 10% reduction in grade. In ELA, we just finished our unit on pronouns! Now we will begin our Historical Fiction unit on "Of Mice and Men." Throughout this unit we will explore how history impacts setting and characters. We will also analyze how author's word choice affects mood and tone in preparation for writing our own historical fiction narratives. We had to slow down a bit in math this week, and so this list will look familiar. Math 8 will be finishing up Lesson 1-10 and preparing for their Topic 1 Exam. Algebra will be finishing Slope-Intercept form and moving on to Lesson 2-2. Science: We will be exploring the periodic table and how to read it. We will have a quiz on atom drawing. They will also be playing periodic table Battleship.

**Team Northampton (8th) (Twitter @TeamSpartanNMS) - Please be sure your child has headphones so they can work independently in class viewing the techbook videos as well as using the embedded reader tools Discovery offers.** History classes will be finishing their Colonial America Unit with the Southern Colonies - Unit Assessment to follow. In ELA this week, we will be working on creating the setting for our mysterious narrative accounts and will then move onto studying and developing the plot. We will also continue our work on our word crime, two independent clauses joined by a coordinating conjunction. In Reading, we are continuing our nonfiction unit with *Manhunt* and *Chasing Lincoln's Killer*. Students all have their own copy of the novels and are expected to bring them to class every day. There is a grade assigned for being responsible and bringing all materials to class. We will continue to work on citing text-based evidence and using our critical thinking skills. The artifact projects were awesome! Well done, Team Northampton! We are currently presenting our projects. Periods 1,5,7 will have a test on Prologue to Chapter 6 next week after presentations conclude. **Please continue to check your Schoology class for updates, announcements, assignments and any handouts used in ALL classes.** In Algebra 1, students will review for their Unit 2 Test. The Units 2 Test will be broken up into two days, Thursday and Monday. In Grade 8 Math, students will be working with slope and y-intercept, graphing linear equations in Slope Intercept Form and writing equations in Slope Intercept Form. Students will continue to use both the IXL and Math XL programs. Please continue to check Schoology for all assignments, assessments and due dates. In Science, we will be exploring the Periodic Table. Outline and Stations Lab will be due on Monday. Quiz will be on Thursday. **Please be sure your child is writing in his or her planner to stay on top of their course work. There is FREE HOMEWORK HELP at the Bethlehem Public Library with Moravian College and Lehigh University Students - take advantage of this!**

**Team Temple (Encore) (Blog)** None at this time.

**Counseling Corner (Kehler, Litak, Hipp)**

Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School will be having a community open house on Wednesday, October 24th from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. This is a good opportunity for prospective students to tour the programs at vo-tech and ask individualized and specific questions should there be an interest. For further information visit: <https://bethlehemavts.org>.

**Student Services Updates** None at this time.

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### **Extracurricular Activities**

*Is your child interested in an after-school club or activity? Email the advisor for more information!*

**AM Basketball** (Off. Conley) Basketball each Thursday morning at 7:05am. Don't be late!

**Anime Club** (Advisors Mrs. Fehr/Mrs. Wallach) Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 12 from 3:05-4:00 in room 104. Please bring all your anime drawings with you. We will have our drawing contest and prizes for the top winners.

**Art Club** (Advisors Mrs. Kozero/Mrs. Lund) None at this time.

**Band front/Color Guard - Information can be found under Performing Arts Department Updates**

**Artsmart @ Banana Factory** (Advisor Mrs. Lare) Art Smart classes at the Banana Factory have started. Classes meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from September 26 through November 20. Students are creating beautiful work! **Parents should pick up their children at 6pm sharp at Nitschmann's main entrance.**

**Cheerleading** (Advisor Mrs. Long) Practice Tuesday and Thursday this week!



**Dance Team** (Advisor Ms. Sierra) Practice for the tryout dance will continue on the next activity period day 1 on the stage. **Tryout for the team will be on 11/7.** There will not be any practice on 10/31 due to the early dismissal.

**German Club** (Advisor Ms. Schwartz) None at this time

**Heart & Sole Club** (Advisor Mrs. Fehr/Ms. Weinert) December 1st - GOTR 5K Presented by St. Luke's, DeSales University, 9am. Sign up your running buddies for the 5K ASAP. Sign up using this URL:  
<https://www.raceplanner.com/register/index/GOTRLV-Fall-5k-Running-Buddies?sid=eb0a44053cf544e8950796f58750dbd6>

**FCS/DIY Club** (Advisor Mrs. Hoffman) None at this time.

**French Club** (Advisor Mrs. Lare) French Club meets on Day One during the activity period and is open to 7th and 8th graders in French. As a follow-up to the last club meeting about "haute couture" fashion in Paris, this week students worked together to create their own haute couture designs. They will finish these designs at the next meeting.

**Intramurals** (Advisor Mr. Ortwein) None at this time

**Lion Service Club** (Advisor Mrs. McLaughlin) Any student interested in joining the Lion Service Club should see Mrs. McLaughlin in room 209 for information and a parent permission form. Our club will be coordinating many great volunteer and service projects such as The Clothing Closet, acknowledging special people in our school and community, etc. Please come and see what we are all about. Club starts on Wednesday, September 26th.

**Mathcounts** (Advisor Ms. Novatnak) MathCounts is a nationwide enrichment and competition program in math. Students in grades 6,7 and 8 are welcome. They will have the opportunity to work with other motivated students on challenging problems and possibly earn the right to represent Nitschmann against schools from three counties at the Chapter Competition in February (date TBA). This week, we will be meeting at 7:30 on Wednesday morning and after school on Thursday until 4:00 in room 213. Attendance is flexible, we can work around other activities students might be involved in. **It isn't too late to join if you're interested!** Parents of interested students are asked to fill out this information form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9DaHSMmg0kFDfTDhvsj1gyX-jByu1X2bH0f9QuaYUYPcmrw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9DaHSMmg0kFDfTDhvsj1gyX-jByu1X2bH0f9QuaYUYPcmrw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**National Junior Honor Society** (Advisors Mrs. Wallach/Mrs. Druckenmiller) (Twitter-@Njhs\_Nistchmann; Instagram-@Njhs\_Nistchmann ) Our first tutoring session was a great success! Thank you to those members that attended and helped our 6th graders. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 7, both before and after school. Members must attend ONE of these meetings. Check our Schoology group for updates and announcements.

**Nitschmann Dramatics** (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Monday 10/29 Ensemble until 4:30, Tuesday 10/30 Principal Characters/Understudies until 4:30, Wednesday 10/31 no rehearsal, Thursday 11/1 Crew until 5:00, Friday 11/2 Ensemble until 4:30. See the email from Mrs. Hriniak and the website for more updates and details.

**Lion's Pride** (Advisor Ms. Bouhana/Ms. Dentith) We will have a meeting after school on Tuesday until 4:10. We will be reviewing the layout and editing the final version of our first edition Tuesday after school, so make sure all your articles and videos have been submitted.

**Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science (PJAS)** (Advisor Mr. Amen) None at this time.

**Reading Olympics** (Advisor - Mrs. Nonnemacher) We have a large group of 6th, 7th and 8th graders! We are looking forward to great year of reading and preparing for the competition held in mid April at Easton High School! The students were given the list of competition books to be read and summaries forms to fill out after they have read the book. . They are available in our Nitschmann library and at the Bethlehem public library. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 7, 2018 from 3:05 - 4:00 P.M. in the library. Unless we let the students know ahead of time, we will meet every Wednesday. (There is no Reading Olympics on Wednesday, Oct. 31 due to a half day dismissal. ) Bake sale info coming home on Nov.

7 and it will also be available on the Reading Olympics tab on the Nitschmann Library part of website.

**Riding for Focus** (Advisors Mr. Miller & Mr. Hess) None at this time.

**The Lion's Den School Store** (Advisors Ms. Roufakis & Mrs. Evancho) Come to visit the Lion's Den for your Nitschmann hoodies, t-shirts, and beanies! This year we are also stocking the NMS school approved calculator for \$10. Be sure to stop and browse on your way to lunch!

**New to the store- drawstring bag for \$5!**



**Ski Club** (Advisors Mr. Downey) **LAST DAY TO SIGN UP October 31** FAQs; Can parents join? Yes, discounts are available for all Nitschmann Nation. Can I use the passes on other nights if Monday does not work? Yes, passes are good Monday through Thursday. If my child already has a season pass can they attend? Yes, we want students to meet up and ski together. The more the merrier. Here is the sign-up link;

<https://webstoreskiblue.com/?groupId=2a0ff184-9032-4362-820a-c4e933734a78>

**Spanish Club** (Advisor Ms. Bouhana) We will be meeting Wednesday after school with all members. We are currently planning Día de los Muertos Café and Día de los Reyes trip. Make sure to sign up for food donations with Miss Bouhana prior to the meeting.

**Step Team** (Advisor Ms. Sierra) The list of who made the team will be posted soon. An announcement will be made as to when it will be posted.

**Strategy Club** (Advisor Mr. Kehler) No update at this time.

**Student Council** (Advisors Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Kocon) **We are collecting Candy for our Troops who are overseas. Please send in leftover Halloween candy to NMS.** The collection will run from October 29th and end November 8th. Last year we sent 25 copy paper boxes full of candy to our troops.

**Yearbook** (Advisor Mrs. Ellis) No update at this time.

### **Nitschmann Middle School Performing Arts Department Updates**

[Nitschmann Middle School Instrumental Music Website \(Click Here!\)](#)

*Mr. Zettlemoyer, Instrumental Music [dzettlemoyer@basdschools.org](mailto:dzettlemoyer@basdschools.org)*

#### **SCHEDULE: Auditorium entrance doors will open at 7 AM.**

10/28 Bethlehem Parade - Report to Nitschmann by 12:00 PM.

10/29 Morning band 7:15 AM

Day 1 Jazz band 8:26 AM

10/30 Morning orchestra 7:15 AM

10/31 Morning jazz band 7:15 AM

11/1 Morning band 7:15 AM

11/2 Morning orchestra 7:15 AM

**LESSON SCHEDULE** can be found at <http://www.nmsim.org/lessons/>

#### **FAIR SHARE**

Check your student's current fair share balance: <https://tinyurl.com/NIMASFAIRSHARE2018>

More information regarding Fair Share: <http://www.nmsim.org/fair-share/>

**BANDFRONT/COLOR GUARD** - (Advisor Mrs. Hriniak) Flags, Majorettes, and Rifles should be practicing routines at home. Regular rehearsals Monday and Thursday before school at 7:15 am. Bethlehem Parade Sunday unless it is postponed due to weather...rain date is next Sunday. See email updates for more information. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 8th grade music and drama NYC trip registration can be found at: <http://www.nmsim.org/8th-grade-trip/>
- The third band trip payment of \$50 is due on November 14. Trip information can be found at <http://www.nmsim.org/spring-trip/>.
- SANTA AT THE SANDS: Click [HERE](#) for more information and to sign up to participate.
- **Volunteer: Application packet and clearance requirements.**
- Take a look at all the fundraising opportunities we currently have. [FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES](#)
  - **New fundraiser: Matey's Pizza - October 17-November 9. Delivery is 11/17 at 10 AM.**
  - **Holiday Flower Sale October 29 - November 4 (Delivery will be on Tue., December 4, 4:30-6 PM.**
- Photos from Show Your Stripes Day can be seen at <http://www.nmsim.org/photos/>.
- Stay up to date on the latest by following the instrumental music groups on Twitter. [@NMSBandOrch](#)
- The Nitschmann Instrumental Music Association is now part of the Amazon Smile program. Now you can shop at Amazon, get great deals and support the **Nitschmann Instrumental Music Association** all at the same time. Please share this with your friends and family. [Go here for more information.](#)

### **INSTRUMENTAL EVENTS CALENDAR**

10/28 [Bethlehem Parade](#) (click on parade for more information)

11/9 NIMAS BINGO

11/14 Jazz band field trip to Moravian

11/14 NIMAS Meeting 7:30 PM

11/14 Third spring trip payment of \$50 is DUE

11/17 Matey's Pizza Delivery 10-11 AM

11/19 Chipotle Dine to Donate Event

11/24 [Santa at the Sands](#)

12/4 Holiday flower delivery 4:30-6 PM

12/6 Orchestra and Jazz Band Winter Concert 7:00 PM.

12/9 Barnes & Noble Book Fair and Performance

12/18 String Ensemble performances at retirement homes.

12/19 Jazz Band LVIA performance

12/19 NIMAS Meeting 7:30 PM

### **Choral Music**

Mrs. de Vries, Choral Music Director [ldevries@basdschools.org](mailto:ldevries@basdschools.org)

Mrs. Parris, Choral Music Director [jparris@basdschools.org](mailto:jparris@basdschools.org)

Great job at the pep rally and night game! I loved your spirit.

**Looking ahead:** For the winter concert on December 13, students will need to wear **black dress pants** (no jeans or leggings please), **black shoes and a plain white shirt**. Nitschmann Singer shirts must have a collar.

### **Weekly Choral Rehearsal Schedule**

Monday 10/29-No rehearsal

Tuesday 10/30-7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for members not in the orchestra

3:05-4:00 Nitschmann Singers rehearsal

Wednesday 10/31-7:15 AM rehearsal for all Glee **and** Singers not in Jazz Band

Thursday 11/1-7:15 AM Glee rehearsal for members not in the band

2:00 Nitschmann pep rally performance



3:05-4:00 Nitschmann Singers rehearsal

Friday 11/2- No rehearsal

### **2018-2019 Important Choral Performance Dates**

December 13-7:00 PM Winter Choral Concert

March 9-9-noon optional All City rehearsal at Northeast

March 23-9-noon optional All City rehearsal at Northeast

March 27-7:00-11:30 AM mandatory All City rehearsal at Northeast

March 28-7:00 -11:30 AM mandatory All City rehearsal at Northeast; 7:00 PM All City Concert at Northeast

April 11-5-7:00 PM International Night showcase performance

May 6-7:00 PM Spring Choral Concert

May 15-Nitschmann Talent Show performance (sponsored by Glee and Singers)

June 6-Tentative 8th grade moving up ceremony performance

**Love to sing? Glee Club** is open to anyone who likes to sing and attends rehearsals regularly. Our usual rehearsal schedule is Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 7:15 AM in room 141. Please enter the building through the auditorium doors. Instrumental students are excused to attend their morning band/orchestra/jazz rehearsals. Glee also rehearses during day 1 activity periods. No formal audition is required, but students will need to have their voice range evaluated by Mrs. de Vries.

### **Lions/Lady Lions Athletics Updates** (Twitter @NMS\_Athletics)

*Mr. Jon Ortwein, NMS Athletic Director [jortwein@basdschools.org](mailto:jortwein@basdschools.org)*

These are the dates for Winter/Spring St Luke's Sports Physicals:

**LHS (@ NEMS) – 10/30/2018 – 5 pm to 7 pm**

**FHS – 11/1/2018 – 5 pm – 7 pm**

PIAA sports physical packet is required\*

### **Intersession Intramurals**

#### Lacrosse Intramurals

Coordinator [Ms. Weinert](#)

The first week of lacrosse got off to a great start. Next week, both boys and girls will have practice on Monday, October 29th. There will be **NO** boys practice on Wednesday this week due to the ½ day. Make sure the players give their signed permission slips to Ms. Weinert before practicing.

#### Volleyball, Boys Intramurals

Coordinator *Mr. Kocon*

### **Winter Sports**

#### Basketball, Boys

Head Coach *Mr. Wills*

#### Basketball, Girls

Head Coach [Mr. Ortwein](#)

#### Wrestling @ Liberty High School

Head Coach *Mr. Klingborn* ([noahklingborg@gmail.com](mailto:noahklingborg@gmail.com))

Organizational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 3:05pm in the Gymnasium.

### **Spring Sports**

Soccer, Boys & Girls Co-Ed

Head Coach [Mr. Rodenbach](#)

Softball, Girls

Head Coach [Mr. Kocon](#)

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Mr. Peter Mayes

Principal

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