



Upcoming School Events:

Saturday, Oct. 5	Parent Work day 9 - 3
Saturday, Oct. 5	NBS face painting at Lovington Street Festival
Oct. 5, 6, 12, 13, 14	NBS Days at the Maze (see below for more info)
Friday, Oct. 11	Grandparents' Day (see below for more info)
Monday, Oct. 14	NO SCHOOL: Teacher Work Day
Saturday, Oct. 19	NBS Music Night at Rapunzel's, 5:30 - 8:30

Silhouettes: During the school day on today Oct. 4 and Monday, Oct. 7, silhouettes will be created of each child. They'll be available to view and order on a password-protected site online later in October. NBS receives 30% of sales, so this is a great gift idea for you and a great fundraising opportunity for NBS!

- Let Bonnie know if you would like to bring a sibling for an individual silhouette.
- It's best not to send your child in a turtleneck that day.
- For those with long hair, the silhouette will look better with the hair in a high ponytail.

We will have our 2nd **Parent Work Day at NBS on Saturday, Oct 5th from 9am - 3pm.** We will have multiple projects to keep everyone busy and keep NBS looking spiffy. Parents and children are welcome. If this is highlighted you signed up to attend this work day.

Grandparents' Day on October 11. We are looking forward to welcoming grandparents of Preschool and Early Primary students - these grandparents should bring a lunch for themselves - from 11:30 - 12:45, and the grandparents of Primary Blue - Middle School on Oct. 11 from 2:00 - 3:15. If your child's grandparents are unable to attend, feel free to invite another relative or family friend to share the day with them, and please let Bonnie or Autum know who will be attending.

Many thanks to...

- Marion Kanour for gifting the school with a bass recorder, three alto recorders, and two soprano recorders!
- Linda Crowe for giving NBS an autographed copy of *Brave like Fireweed* by Jesse White.

Did you know?

- Katrien and Tim attended the **National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) Annual Meeting and Exposition** in Chicago? This event brings together the ideas and enthusiasm of Math teachers from all over the country. Tim and Katrien attended two and a half days of workshops and lectures about teaching math and have returned with plenty of new ideas and resources to share.
- You can join us for a **North Branch musical evening at Rapunzel's** on Oct. 19, 5:30 - 8:30, featuring students, teachers, alums and other special guests. Please let Bonnie know if you and/or your family would like to **perform!** Om Tacos will be serving delicious vegetarian tacos and Rapunzel's has a wide selection of beverages - coffee, tea, milkshakes, beer, wine - and yummy desserts. We hope to see MANY families there for this fun, musical evening!

Ways to help NBS...

- Join in the fun at the **Blue Ridge Mountain Maze** and support North Branch School! The corn maze and family activities are the perfect fall outing. This year, **NBS Days at the Maze are October 5, 6, 12, 13, and 14.** Be sure to purchase your tickets online for these days, using the code "**northbranch2024**" at checkout. You'll see a penny come out of your total; this

indicates **NBS will receive 50% of your online ticket price**. Feel free to share the link and code with friends and family! <https://blueridgemountainmaze.ticketleap.com/> **Don't forget to enter "northbranch2024" at checkout in the Discount Code box.** (You must buy tickets online for NBS to benefit.)

- The **NBS Art Room** is hopeful you will check around your house for any **4x6 or 5x7 picture frames** you might have that are not being used to donate for projects.

Ways to help communities in need...

- NBS parent Cat Murphy has a trusted connection taking needed items to Western North Carolina after the devastation from Hurricane Helene. NBS is a drop-off point if folks want to bring in any of the following by Oct. 11 for those in the NC mountains: 1) cases of water, hydration packets (powdered packets), 2) baby formula, baby wipes, diapers, new blankets, 3) tarps, plastic sheeting, flashlights with batteries, 4) cleaning supplies, plastic utensils, paper products, first aid kits, 5) toothbrushes, toothpaste, toiletry items, 6) manual can openers and non-perishable food.



Paul - Seniors



Grayson - Seniors



Alma - Seniors



Alice - Middle School



Ella - Middle School



Stone - Early Primary



Owen - Primary Yellow



Essa - Middle School