

Smoke Signal

Hello Newton Community!

Two years ago, the Smoke Signal was revived by a great group of students, and now, two years later, the paper is being "reprinted" by us, The News Crew! Even though we all enjoyed reading a copy of the paper at lunchtime, we decided that publishing it on the school website is the safest way to still get these articles, sport's highlights, interviews, funny stories and more published for your reading pleasure!

Our goal is to keep everyone in the community enlightened, updated, and entertained throughout this school year, so have fun reading and stay healthy!! :)



5 Tidbits About Totem Poles

-The term totem pole was first used by Native Americans and is defined as "a hierarchy"

-In High School, the totem pole represents the grade level for students in school and in activities. Freshman are considered to be on the "bottom of the totem pole" since they are the newest to begin their experience in High School.

-That is also why Freshman are often stuck with some of the tedious or boring duties of a sport's team or club.

-However, as you progress through high school, you work your way up "the pole" and learn to respect fellow students through your climb to the top.

-Finally, by your senior year, you have that feeling of earning your "stripes", but also remembering how you got to the top!



-The Procrastinator

Advice From a Senior

In light of the new school year starting, I decided to interview a couple of seniors who have experienced high school, to share advice for anyone who needs it!



- ▶ **Mackenzie Knupp:** "Go to all the games you can. Once it's gone, you will miss it."
- ▶ **Jacob Moore:** "Whatever you do now, will effect how you work in the future. Push through the distractions to focus on the bigger picture."
- ▶ **Ashlyn Deeter:** "Small moments matter, treasure them."
- ▶ **Alex Hild:** "Never be late, you'll get grounded."
- ▶ **Jaden Stine:** "Think ahead for the future, it will be here before you know it. Any decision you make now will have an impact on your future."

Only at Newton... Would This Happen

Do you need a laugh? Check out these funny stories from students at Newton!

Chandler Peters- He got put into a trash can everyday for a semester by John Willoughby

Lane Bayer- In sixth grade he choked on a piece of pizza, and all of his friends thought that he was going to throw up so they walked away from him, and left him there choking

Laci Miller- She hit Shepard's car one morning before school

Katelyn Walters- She was trying to throw a goldfish at Chandler Peters, and accidentally hit Mr. Borchers in the head

Ethan Mead- He had to read the *Crucible* in Mr. Borchers's class, and every time it was his turn to read he would go to the bathroom to avoid it

John Willoughby- He rapped "Lazy Scranton" from *The Office* at the talent show with Andrew Whittaker

Mia Dunlevy- " I came back to school after two weeks of being out from a back injury, I had a stem therapy thing on my back that sends shocks through my muscles to make them work, and the wires were hanging down. When I walked into Dj Borchdog's class, Jon Maxwell said, "Hey Mia, pass the aux!""

Marissa Deeter- The pig pooped on her at Fall Fair in front of the whole school

Tori Benedict- "During one of my basketball scrimmages, we were tied and I was supposed to shoot the game winning three. I tripped and face planted in front of everyone. It's on film and everything, and I didn't even get the three."

- The Indecisive One

Newton Through the Times...



1922 School Building with 1939, 1965, and 1999 Additions



2009 K-12 Building
(the 1999 addition stayed)



2019
Newton Fieldhouse & Community Center



2029

Newton School was an old 1922 K-12 building before there was an addition built in 1999 with classrooms and a gymnasium. This addition can be found where you currently sit, learning about American History in Mr. Armentrout's Room, or cheering for the High School Boy's & Girl's Basketball teams for games! Then, in 2010, Newton built a brand new K-12 building onto the 1999 addition and tore down the 1922 building.

When Newton built the 2010 K-12 Building, they spent \$20 million to build and renovate the 1999 addition. Since then, various projects have been completed to both the school buildings, as well as the school grounds. For example, a high quality soccer field was added and later, a press box and fencing. After that, a Track and Field Facility was constructed. Besides these projects, there have been other improvements done to the building, and grounds such as adding LED Lighting to the entire school building, and putting air conditioning in the high school gymnasium. Then, in 2018, plans began to construct a Newton Fieldhouse and Community Center. This building includes a gymnasium, batting cages, trainer's office, a weight room, and a community room. This community room was dedicated to Larry Powell to honor his memory and his love for the youth in this community. If you have not been to the Fieldhouse, make plans to do so. You won't regret it!

I started to notice a pattern! In 1999, the addition to the 1922 building was erected. In 2010, our current "new building" was built. Then, in 2019, the Newton Fieldhouse and Community Center. It seems, every 10 years, a new construction project has been built, which poses the question "What will we build in 2029?". As the Superintendent, resident of the district, and a parent, Mr. Pat McBride explains, "With the construction of our Fieldhouse and Community Center, I have often dreamed of having an aquatics center with a indoor/outdoor swimming pool for lap swimming as well as a place for kids and families to go to in the summer. Or even the idea of a performing arts building that offers a wonderful venue for musical and theatrical performances." What do you think the district will construct in 2029?!

- The 9 1/2 Genius

Things You Didn't Know You Needed

Motion Activated

Light of Toilet: If you're too tired to turn on the lights, this toilet provides you with the perfect amount of light. Who wouldn't want this?



Outlet Shelf: Used if you do not have a table close enough to set your phone down on. Now there is a solution!



Voice Activated

Trashcan: You'll need this when your hands are full and there is no one around to help you open the trash can. How handy :)



A Cooling Bed Sheet:

Great for summer days when you can't sleep, because it is far too hot.



Bluetooth Water

Bottle: If you are as forgetful as me, this is perfect! This water bottle verbally reminds you to drink water.



-The Vaulter-



2021 Cross Seniors:

- Mackenzie Knupp
- Luke Vannus
- Grace Williams
- Owen Via
- Jacob Moore



Newton Athletics

"You get to decide the legacy that you leave"



2021 Golf Seniors:

- Ross Ferrell
- Mitchell Montgomery
- Alex Koon



2021 Volleyball Seniors:

- Addison Peters
- Mia Dunlevy



2021 Soccer Seniors:

- Rylie Resides
- Dylan Huber
- Ashlyn Deeter
- Brady McClish
- Marissa Deeter
- Moe Maxwell
- Jaden Stine
- Alex Hild
- Haley Abrams
- Jonny Maxwell
- Caden Sweitzer

Importance Of Senior SZN

Addison: " Seniors need to take on the leadership role and constantly uplift the team."

Koon: "I have to be a role model, as well as a good influence. I want to be able to show the younger guys proper golf etiquette and to also have fun."

Owen: "Leadership is heavily required. You have to have self discipline. You have to be a role model for the younger kids, so they know how to push themselves to become better."

Ashlyn : "It's sad knowing next year I won't be playing, but this year is so fun, so I'm enjoying it. I also want to lead by example, and always cheer everyone on."



~The Slugger



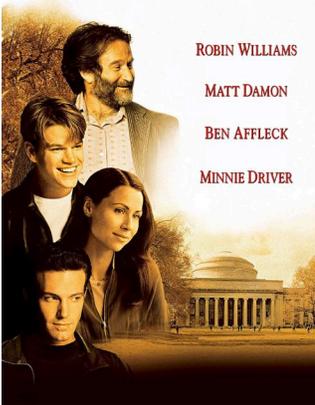
~The Dancing Queen

Feeling Stressed?

~ *The Joker*

These Movie Reviews are for You!

GOODWILL HUNTING



Free on Tubi

97% on Rotten Tomatoes

10/10 The Joker

The first movie I recommend watching is the 1997 film, Good Will Hunting starring Robin Williams, Matt Damon, and Ben Affleck. If you need any encouragement for math this year, this is the film for you. Will Hunting (Matt Damon) has a genius-level IQ, but chooses to work as a janitor at MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology). When he solves a difficult graduate-level math problem, he catches the eye of a Professor who helps Will reach his potential, but when Will gets arrested for attacking a police officer, the Professor makes a deal with him, he will get treatment from his close friend and therapist, Sean (Robin Williams).

Why Is this film encouraging?

It's encouraging for multiple reasons, for one, it proves that the phrase "don't judge a book by its cover" is comparable to the life of Will Hunting. Will was a janitor, and because of that nobody knew of his mathematical capabilities. What the movie is trying to portray is how you shouldn't be afraid to show your true capabilities, this is something you should keep in mind as we are starting a new school year.



On Netflix

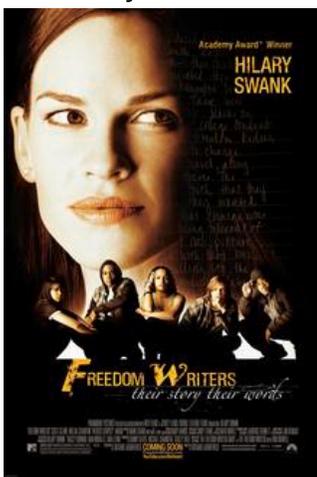
80% on Rotten Tomatoes

6/10 The Joker

The second movie you should check out is the 2014 film, the Theory of Everything. It stars Eddie Redmayne and Felicity Jones. It's a great film, if you are interested in science. It is a biographic film about the late Stephen Hawking, and his wife Jane. At age 21, Hawking learns that he has motor neuron disease and begins to study the theory of time, even though he didn't have very long to live according to doctors. He and Jane defy terrible odds and break new ground in the fields of medicine and science.

Why Is this film encouraging?

It's encouraging because it shows you that you can't let anyone tell you that you can't do something or let a disability limit you. Doctors told Stephen Hawking that he wasn't supposed to live, but he ended up living for 55 years after being diagnosed with the disease.



On Youtube for \$2.99

70% on Rotten Tomatoes

5/10 The Joker

The third and final film to view is the 2007 movie Freedom Writers. It is a great film if you are someone who enjoys English class. The film stars Hilary Swank, April Lee Hernandez, and Patrick Dempsey. A new English teacher, Miss Gruwell, teaches in a racially divided Los Angeles school. Her class was deemed incapable of learning by everyone in the school and community, but instead of giving up, she inspires her students to take an interest in their education and planning their future. She gives them books that relate to their lives and encourages them all to write in a journal. It's worth the watch to see, if they learn from her methods.

Why Is This film Encouraging?

Freedom Writers is an encouraging film, because it shows that you should never give up. Miss Gruwell had to go through many challenges, and could have done what every other teacher did and accept that the kids were incapable of learning. Luckily for the students sake, she didn't. As we start this school year that has some new challenges, don't give up!



Intriguing Interviews



-The Drama Queen

Terri Peele- 9th Grade

Favorite Color- Blue
 Favorite Song- "Good Old Fashioned Lover boy" By Queen
 Favorite Movie- "Captain American: The First Avenger"
 Secret Skill- Making a trumpet sound with my mouth
 Favorite Sport- Band
 Spirit Animal- Frog
 Something you want to try- Skydiving
 Birthday- October 5th
 Dream Dinner Date- Edgar Allen Poe
 Describe yourself in one word- Weird
 Describe yourself from teacher's view
 A student
 Best part of going here- Band class
 What's your pet peeve- When I can't open my locker
 What is an expression that you say all the time- "OOF"



Mr. Davis- HS Math Teacher

Favorite Color- Blue
 Favorite Song- "Humble & Kind" By Tim McGraw
 Favorite Movie- Star Wars
 Secret Skill- Hunter of animals: moose, deer, elk

Carson Knupp - 10th grade

Favorite Color- Red
 Favorite Song- "Never Ending Story" By Dusty on Stranger Things
 Favorite Movie- "Shawshank Redemption"
 Secret Skill- Making Maple syrup
 Favorite Sport- Baseball
 Spirit Animal- Black Panther
 Something you want to try- Skydiving
 Birthday- July 28
 Best H.S. Memory- Class challenge when my class got last
 Dream Dinner Date- Kurt Gibson
 Describe yourself in one word- Short
 Describe yourself from teacher's view- Annoying
 Best part of going here- Good baseball team
 What's your pet peeve- Mia's Face
 What is an expression that you say all the time- "silly gooser"

Camryn Gleason- 11th Grade

Favorite Color- Blue
 Favorite Song- "Mood" By 24kGoldn
 Favorite Movie- "Cars 2"
 Secret Skill- Wearing a size 4 in kids' shoes
 Favorite Sport- Basketball
 Spirit Animal- Sloth
 Something you want to try- Steak
 Birthday- June 7
 Best H.S. Memory- Freshman Year Basketball
 Dream Dinner Date- Chase Stokes from Outer Banks
 Describe yourself in one word- Annoying
 Describe yourself from teacher's view- Short
 Best part of going here- Close friends, mostly Tori
 What's your pet peeve- Anything Tori does
 What is an expression that you say all the time- "BAHAHA"

Favorite Sport- Basketball
 Spirit Animal- Yoda
 Something you want to try- Mountain climbing
 Birthday- May 8th
 Best H.S. Memory- During a freezing football game, my trumpet valves froze, so I just pretended to play
 Dream Dinner Date- Fraternal Grandmother that I've never met
 Describe yourself in one word- Smart
 How many years have you taught here- 33 years
 Best part of working here- Students
 What's your pet peeve- Lying
 What is an expression that you say all the time- "This is ridonkulous"



Luke Vannus- 12th Grade

Favorite Color- Black
 Favorite Song- "Do In Time" By Lana Del Ray
 Favorite Movie- "Hot Pursuit"
 Secret Skill- Public Speaking
 Favorite Sport- Cross Country
 Spirit Animal- Turtle
 Something you want to try- Wake boarding
 Birthday- November 21
 Best H.S. Memory- Missing half of the first quarter junior year
 Dream Dinner Date- My Grandma
 Describe yourself in one word- Fabulous
 Describe yourself from teacher's view- A procrastinator
 Best part of going here- Knowing lots of people
 What's your pet peeve- When smart people don't apply themselves
 What is an expression that you say all the time- "I won't be at school tomorrow"

Cheap Fun in Ohio

Ohio is a state of solitude, a state of boredom, constant boredom, and it is a mission of many Ohioan youth to find fun things to do in this desolate state completely devoid of enjoyment. As one of these Ohioan youth mentioned, I have decided to make it my mission to find and write about just a few budget friendly locations to visit on some day when you're bored with nothing to do.



K's Hamburger Shop in Troy is a nice 20th century vibe diner that provides a wide variety of sandwiches and sides, including a breakfast menu. K's has been visited over the years by several big names, one of those names being Mitt Romney who absolutely loved the place. The average cost of a good meal at K's is about 8 dollars, but prices vary across the menu. K's Hamburger Shop can be found on 117 E Main St, Troy, OH.



Something else that is also fun is going to see the National Museum of the United States Air Force in Dayton. This location is a bit farther of a drive to visit, but there is so much more to see. This museum is well known for being the largest and oldest military aviation museum in the whole world. This museum houses many different air crafts including 4 former presidential planes. The museum also has free parking, free admission, and free WiFi, so money for anything other than a snack isn't needed.



Finally, something we all need a little bit more of is nature, so why not go ride your bike or walk around some trails to get some fresh air? There are many different trails throughout Ohio that you can go to to spend some of your free time. You don't have to take my recommendation, but Englewood Metropark is a very nice park/trail. The park is alive and active with not only people but also animals. This park may not have tasty burgers or free WiFi, but there's sights to see, shelters where you can eat, waterfalls, and plenty of exercise options, plus, obviously, it's free.

~ The Diabetic

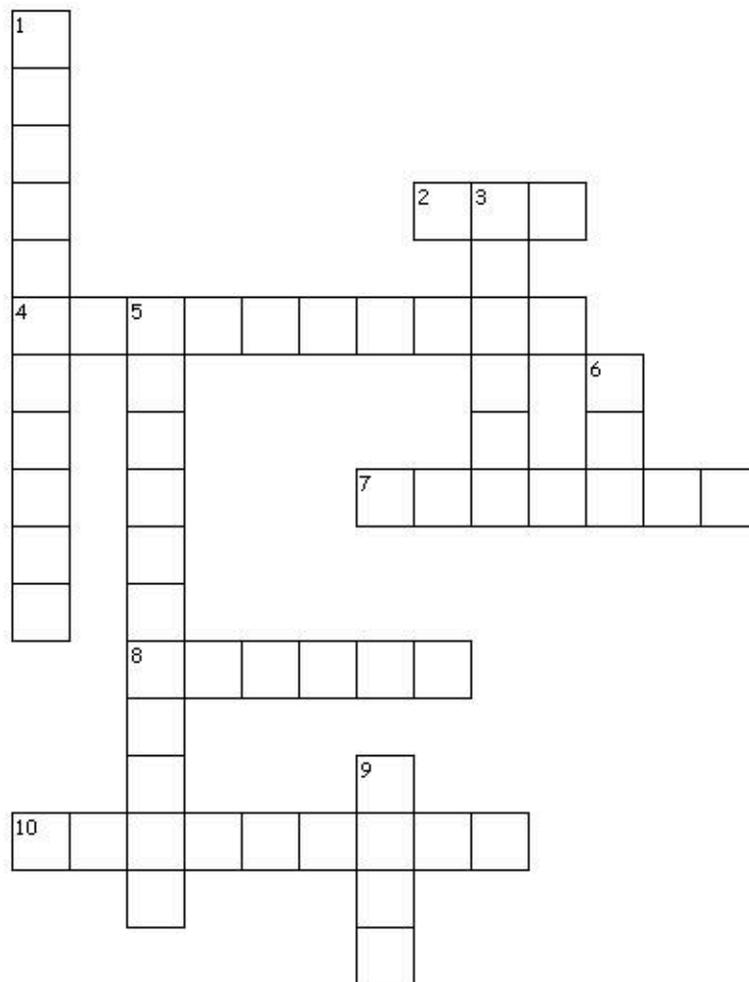
The Smoke Signal Puzzler Page

Do you think you have the smarts to figure out this crossword?

The first two people to submit a correct, completed crossword to Mrs.K
wins a king sized candy bar!

Hard copies are available outside Mrs.K's classroom door.

-The Forager



Across

2. What school did Will Hunting work as a janitor at?
4. Who is Newton's current Superintendent?
7. Who is at the top of the totem pole?
8. How many students are in the News Crew?
10. Number of seniors in fall sports

Down

1. Who is the Community Room dedicated to?
3. School mascot
5. Years Mr. Davis has taught at Newton
6. How many years ago was the last issue of the Smoke Signal published?
9. Rah, Rah, Sis___ Bah

Meet the News Crew

-The Snacker



The Mom: Mrs. Kenworthy
"I am now a mom with 2 boys at home, but I often feel like my students are my kids as well!"



The Drama Queen:

Mia Dunlevy

*Most Dramatic About:
Waking up, not having WiFi,
and trying to find a job*

The Vaulteur: Rylie Resides

"My record is 10'2" . My goal is to get 11'6" and go to state!"



The Procrastinator:

Alex Hild

"When is the due date for this... oh next period"



The Joker: Ethan Mead

" Did you hear the rumor about butter? Well, I'm not going to spread it"



The Snacker: Kenzie Knupp

*Favorite snacks: Kit Kats,
Brownies, Donuts, Popcorn
Least favorite : Fries and
Chips*

The Slugger: Mitchell Montgomery

"My name is Mitchell, but they call me Diesel and I hit dingers"



The Dancing Queen:

Josh Ecklebarger

*Top Dance Moves:
The Worm and Tik Tok dances
"I want to perfect the dice roll."*



The Indecisive One:

Addison Peters

What do you want me to put for your "Meet the News Crew" interview? "I don't know,...wait....oh nevermind."



The 9 1/2 Genius :

Clint Shellenberger

"When I was two years old, I put my finger in a milking machine and I cut off half of my pointer finger. That wasn't very smart. At least my GPA shows otherwise now"

The Diabetic: Colton Flanary

"Four injections a day. Everyday. For the rest of my life."



The Hippie: Tori Benedict

Bands that make me feel like a flower child: Fleetwood Mac, Tom Petty, Carole King, and the Beatles



The Forager: Owen Via

"I think best when I am outdoors."