

Nettle News

Nettle Middle School... *Home of the Knights!*

April 2, 2023



Important Dates

Monday April 10

Parents - 8th grade celebration 4:30

PTO Meeting 5:00

April 11 and 13

Volleyball playoffs will be held at

Haverhill High at 5:00

May 23

Grade 8 Civics Project Presentation

<p>ATHLETICS</p> 	<p>Volleyball Games Schedule</p> <p>Wednesday, April 5 Whittier Thursday, April 6 Home</p>	<p>Floor Hockey Club Games on Fridays Ask Mr. Cote for permission slips</p> <p>Basketball League for all grades (co-ed) starting April 6</p>
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Announcement: Due to MCAS delayed openings at Haverhill High School on March 28th and 29th and May 16th and 17th, the LOOP Program will not be taking place on those dates.

From the Principal's Desk:

MCAS testing is going very well! I am confident we will see an improvement over last years' results. Thank you so much for getting your students to school on time, rested and prepared.

We have completed the ELA testing for Grades 5 and 6. This week we will be testing Grade 7 and 8 in ELA. The following weeks and months we will be completing the Math test for all grades and the Science test for grades 5 and 8.

Mr. Joffre is starting a co-ed, all grades basketball league for our students. The league starts on **April 6**. Students will be playing pick-up style games with mixed grade level students on each team. They will play in the Nettle Gym from 3 - 4:30.

We are looking for a couple of grade 8 parents who are interested in leading a team of parents to coordinate the 8th grade celebration and dance. If you are interested the initial meeting is April 10 at 4:30 in the Cafe

Sign your child up for April Vacation Academy - last chance to sharpen their MCAS Skills and have a little fun! The Vacation Academies will be held at the YMCA/Pentucket Lake School((978) 374-0506 ask for Cathy Wolf), YWCA((978) 374-6121 ask for Amy Desimone), and Boys and Girls Club ((978) 374-6171 - ask for Jessi Feiner).

ELA Coach:
Math Coach

This is a fun activity to do at home with your child. It involves a recipe for a smoothie and changing the amount of ingredients depending on the number of servings. Hope you enjoy it!

You can find the activity [here](#).

March Madness is here! Studies have shown that students who perform well on IREADY show positive gains on their MCAS so we decided to have some fun and make it a competition. During the next five weeks, students will be competing by homeroom in an attempt to capture the IREADY championship and claim the title of top performers. Teams will "win" by having the highest combined average of lessons passed. There are prizes and two brackets (a consolation and a championship). Let's dance!

From the PTO

Help support the Nettle PTO and your child! This year the PTO will be flocking yards with little pink flamingos. Make a donation using the attached form to fill your neighbors' or friends' yards with little pink flamingos. You also have the opportunity to block the flamingo invasion by buying insurance. #FlamingoFun

From Nettle Side Kicks

Nettle will be holding a Multicultural Celebration in the near future. Mrs. McVey and the Sidekick Mentors are organizing the event. They are looking for parent and community volunteers to help them organize the event. If you are interested in helping out please complete this [survey](#). There are many ways for you to help (food, decorations, set up, clean up). You do not have to come to any meetings. I can communicate with you through email or Remind. The more volunteers we get the better this community event will be.

