

# New Groningen Elementary

September 26, 2016

## All School Fundraiser

We will have our annual Entertainment Book Sale again next month. Keep your eyes open for a book to be sent home to sell to family and friends. The sale will run from October 7<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions regarding the sale, please call the office.

Reminder: If you do not wish to have your child (ren) bring home sales materials call the office (748-3375) or send us an email at [sbecktel@zps.org](mailto:sbecktel@zps.org). At the end of the sale, please return all of the unsold books.



## Lunch Accounts

**Payment and Meal Accounts:** All meals are on a pre-paid account. There must be money in the account in order to use it, as the parent you are ultimately responsible for ensuring that your child has money in their account. Questions concerning your child's account may be directed to Luanne at 616-748-3126. Payments can be made online or by sending cash or a check with your child at their school in an envelope with the child's first and last name. Any money, positive or negative, in your child's account will follow them from one grade to the next grade.

## ZPS Community Page

This web page is a replacement to hard copies of flyers for community events (example: Boy Scouts)

<http://www.zps.org/community-page/>

## **Dancing With The Teachers Is Back!!!**

*Dancing With The Teachers is coming up quickly! Performers from New Groningen will include many of our staff. Get your tickets now to watch them perform on Saturday, October 15 at 7pm at DeWitt Auditorium. Be sure to order some theme basket tickets too! This has sold out in the past, so get your tickets today!*

*Event and Theme Basket Ticket ordering information can be found at this link: : <https://sites.google.com/a/zps.org/zeeland-east-west-high-schools-dance-program/> or google "Zeeland Dance."*



Students will become lifelong learners who are responsible, respectful, and prepared to be global citizens.

## Parking Lot Pick Up>>>

For the safety of our students and parents, please park and drive through our lots with care. If parking on the street, please be careful of all cars and fellow students/parents of New Groningen.

## Upcoming Events:

### September -

29<sup>th</sup> – Art Prize field trip for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

### October –

3<sup>rd</sup> – Kid's HOPE Pizza Party at Lunch

4<sup>th</sup> – Raterink Dairy Farm field trip for 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

6<sup>th</sup> – Post Family Farm field trip for KDG

7<sup>th</sup> – Half Day of School for Students- Dismissal at noon

7<sup>th</sup> – Entertainment Book Sale Begins

13<sup>th</sup> – Meijer Gardens field trip for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

15<sup>th</sup> – Dancing With The Teachers Night – 7 pm

25<sup>th</sup> – Picture Retake Day



## Welcome to the 2016-2017 Season of the Performing Arts!

September 30 . . . . . "RUSH" Full Band Performance at Half-time  
September 24 . . . . . **Synergy**, A Community Choir event, 7:00pm\*  
October 6 . . . . . **The Moxie Strings** in Concert with ZPS Orchestras, 7pm\*  
October 7, 14 & 21 . . . "RUSH" Full Band Performance at Half-time  
October 11 . . . MSBOA Marching Band Competition at Zeeland Stadium  
October 15 . . . . . **Dancing With The Teachers**, 7pm\*  
October 28 . . . . . **Mac's Mystery ??**, an Orchestra Event, 4:30pm

The mission of New Groningen Elementary School, in partnership with staff, family and community, is to promote learning as a lifelong goal by providing opportunities for all students to succeed.

## From the Middle School Directors:

This just in from our middle school band directors:

It's not too late ... for piano lessons! That is, if you are interested in playing in the **percussion section** of the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band!

You must have two years of piano lessons in order to audition for a spot in this limited section. Percussion is the only section that requires independent, private music lessons before joining band.

Questions? Contact Mrs. Balcer at [hbalcer@zps.org](mailto:hbalcer@zps.org)



## Exciting Happenings at NG



Wednesday AM Jam



Half Day of School- October 7th



Mrs. DeYoung's Music Therapy

If you have access to an email account, you have hopefully received a few emails from the office of reminders and important information. We will only be printing this newsletter out for parents that don't have an email account beginning in October. If you don't have access to the internet, please contact your child's teacher or the office and we will gladly send home a paper copy.



We believe in fostering relationships between staff, parents, and the local community. We believe in a safe and positive school environment where everyone is treated with respect. We believe that all children can learn through experiences and real life applications.