

# The Warrior Beat

A Newsletter for Families, Alumni, and Friends of Northumberland Christian School

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## Warrior Walk-a-Thon

Thursday, September 29, 9am & 1pm

## 7-12 Mid-Quarter Grade Reports Sent Home

Friday, October 7

## Fall Picture Day

Tuesday, October 4

## Homecoming

October 7 & 8

## Fall Fudge 5K Run

Saturday, October 8, 9 am

## No School

Monday, October 10

## High School Testing

Wednesday, October 12

## ACAA Soccer Tournament

Thursday—Saturday, Oct. 20—22

## End of Marking Period

Friday, October 28

## NCS Golf Classic

Saturday, October 29

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*Romans 11:36 For from Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things.  
To Him be the glory forever! Amen.*

## Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Grandparents, Alumni, and Friends,

As we began our 40<sup>th</sup> year at NCS with our highest enrollment ever (232 in K-12 and 38 in preschool), one high school student wrote these words in an essay:

*I am so excited to see the work that God is doing in NCS. The number of students He has given is awesome. God put everyone at NCS for a reason, and I am looking forward to what God has planned for the year ahead at NCS.*

My heart responds to that with a hearty "Amen!" What a blessing to have students like this! The student ended the essay by saying:

*Please let me know if you see a need that I can help fill or a student who needs a friend.*

Not all our students are so passionate about serving God in this place, but it is overwhelming to me again to start a year with so many students expressing in their essays their thankfulness for NCS and their desire to honor God. Some students who have transferred to our school in recent years from public schools expressed a radical change that took place in their lives. One said:

*Coming to NCS really helped me become a real Christian and live my life like I really am a Christian, but it also helped me be able to show my friends that it's more than just saying you are. You have to put God before things and live for Him and not just for yourself.... I have really come to know God, and I keep getting to know him more and more every day. The way you could help is just by teaching me more and more.*

Another transfer student said:

*NCS has had a massive impact on my life and my walk with God, and I pray that it will continue to influence me.*

In writing these essays, some high school students who have been here since elementary school expressed the changes that God has worked in their lives over the years. One said:

*Wednesday chapel was one of the first places I learned I had to give my whole life to the Lord. At first I didn't really want to. Now I am letting God take over my life. One of the things that sold me about giving it all to God was how the teachers do it - how they are joyful and love God each day. Will you please pray for me that I keep giving my whole life to God?*

Another student wrote:

*I know for a fact that I would not be the same person that I am today if I had gone to public school, or any different school, for that matter. I honestly don't know if I would be a Christian; or I can almost say with all certainty, that I wouldn't be as strong a Christian as I am. Now, I'm not saying that I'm the strongest Christian. Most days I don't feel the least bit strong. I definitely struggle with proclaiming my faith, or*

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*standing up for what I know is right. And honestly, some days I feel like an utter failure—for not standing up for God. So... if you could just pray for me for that, I'd very much appreciate it. So, I guess I'll just end this with a "thank you," for making NCS what it is today. I have no idea where I'd be if my parents hadn't enrolled me when I was little... but anyways, thank you!*

I hope that my sharing these quotes (used by permission) will encourage you and stir us all up to pray for God to work in hearts. Only God can accomplish among us the thing for which we most long – students who are growing in their love for God and for others day by day! Do pray with us to this great end!

Our soccer season is off to a good start, but it will be a busy schedule ahead with needing to make up all the games missed because of the rain and flooding. We hope to see many of you at the games this season. Come enjoy the soccer, the company, and the great concessions. Those of you with students playing soccer will notice that the sports fee is included on your invoice for this month.

Because of missing three days of school for the flooding, we have decided to send home Mid-Quarter Grade Reports for grades 7-12 one week later than indicated on your school calendar. **The reports will be sent home on Friday, October 7.** Parents who have questions about the progress of their student should feel free to call the office or the individual teachers to talk over the phone or schedule a time for a conference. Also notice that *Wednesday, October 12*, will be a *special day of testing* for our high school students. Freshmen will be taking a Cognitive Abilities Test, sophomores will be taking the Preliminary American College Test, and juniors will be taking the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test. These are very helpful tools in measuring student achievement and aptitude, and in preparing those who will later go on to take college boards. Please encourage your students to take the time to read the material they receive to prepare for these tests.

There will be parent-teacher conferences for parents of students in grades K-6 on Thursday, November 10. There will be an 11:30 a.m. dismissal for all students on Thursday, November 10 and Friday, November 11. We will schedule 10 minute conferences between each K-6 teacher and their students' parents between noon and 9 p.m. **Parents with elementary students should complete and return as soon as possible the conference slip to indicate the times you are available.** It is a challenge to work out the schedule, so please be sure to list all possible options when you could come, not just your first preference. *Please indicate whether one parent can come for a conference during the afternoon hours, since we cannot possibly fit all the families in the larger classes into the evening times.* We will work out the schedule and send your appointment time to you with the next newsletter. If you have questions, please give us a call. These conferences were very successful last year, and we look forward to this opportunity to facilitate good communication between staff and parents.

Do keep us in your prayers day by day. Apart from Him we can do nothing! To HIM be all the glory forever!

By His Grace, *Pastor John Rees*

**HELP WANTED!**

**The kitchen is still in need of volunteers to help serve lunch from 11 am—1:30 pm. Please contact Bev or Grace at 473-9786. Thank you!**

**Spirit Week/Homecoming 2011**

Friday, October 7  
8:00 am Brown Bag Devotions  
2:00 pm Pep Rally in Refectory  
3:30 & 5:00 pm Girls and Boys Soccer vs. New Covenant Academy  
7:30 pm Homecoming Bonfire & Fireworks



***SPIRIT WEEK***  
***OCTOBER 3-7***  
***Details will be sent home soon!***  
**HOMECOMING**

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 & 8**

Please join current NCS staff and students along with our alumni in a special 25th Anniversary Celebration of NCS's first ever soccer championship won by the 1986 boys team following the varsity boys game on Friday evening!



Saturday, October 8  
9:00 am Fall Fudge Run 5K  
10:00 am Little Warrior Fun Run  
12:00 pm "BEST WING SAUCE CONTEST" & PICNIC LUNCH

PLEASE CONTACT JEFFREY BREED '95 at 473-9786 or [jmbreed@norrychristian.net](mailto:jmbreed@norrychristian.net) IF YOU HAVE A WING SAUCE YOU'D LIKE TO ENTER



## Fundraising

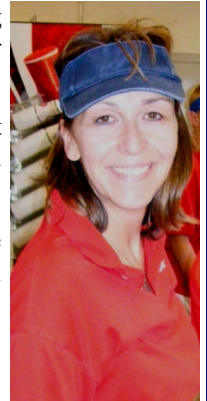
# Thank You!

To all of the wonderful volunteers - parents, grandparents, staff, soccer teams, alumni, and friends - for making our second **Little League World Series** concessions stand fundraiser a HUGE success. We received a check for \$5574.21 for our efforts!

On August 18, 19, 20, 22, 26, and 27 over 100 NCS faithful made the trek to South Williamsport to serve hot dogs, hamburgers, pizza, soft pretzels, hot sausages, grilled chicken sandwiches, snacks, and sodas to the record breaking crowd of fans and players.

We would also like to thank *Grace Severn*, who managed the details and organized the volunteers to staff the time slots we were assigned. It was a monumental task, and she did a terrific job communicating the information to the volunteers.

We are optimistic that by participating in this annual event, we will reduce the number of fundraisers we have been doing through the school year. Praise the Lord for His goodness to us!



## WARRIOR WALK-A-THON

**THURSDAY  
SEPTEMBER 29**



In 2010, NCS raised over \$30,000 in our first *Warrior Walk-A-Thon*! We appreciate every sponsor that contributed money toward this event which helped us build a new playground for our elementary students. Go to [www.norrychristian.net](http://www.norrychristian.net) to see more pictures of the completed playground.

Our 2011 *Warrior Walk-A-Thon* will be on Thursday, September 29. The raindate is Thursday, October 6. This year, a portion of the funds raised will go toward a security system for our school's building and property and updating our science and computer labs, while other monies will be going toward our special activities and events.

In Galatians 6:9 & 10, Paul says, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people especially to those who belong to the family of believers."

Please contact **Patty Furman '91** at **473-8576** or **Laurie Clemens** at **524-1229** if you would like to donate.

### 5K Fall Fudge Run

**Saturday, October 8**

**9:00 AM**

**10:00 AM Little Warriors Fun Run**

The Third Annual Pineknoller 5K Fall Fudge Run will start at 9:00 am from King Street Park in Northumberland. The entry fees are \$15 by September 25 or \$20 thereafter. Registration forms can be picked up at the school office or printed out online at [www.norrychristian.net](http://www.norrychristian.net). Checks should be made payable to NCS. The first 100 registered runners will receive a free T-shirt, and awards will be given to the top male and female runners, as well as fudge awarded to the top three competitors in each age group. Contact Race Director, **Bethany Daku-Treas '95**, at **570-473-9499** or **bjoydt@yahoo.com** for information.

### 2011 GOLF CLASSIC

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29**

**Susquehanna Valley Country Club**

**1:00 pm start**

**Meal at NCS to follow**

**\$75 per person**

**4-man Scramble Event**

Please contact **Doug Wesner** at **570-854-1333** or email at [dwesner@norrychristian.net](mailto:dwesner@norrychristian.net) for more information.

**THE  
CLASSIC'S  
BACK!**

## October Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Sandwich of the Week
2 Chicken Corn	3 Mozz. Sticks Breadstick Peas/Carrots Fruit	4 Hot Dog/Bun Baked Beans Fruit	5 Pizza Squares Veggies/Dip Fruit Slushie	6 Turkey/Stuffing Mashed Potatoes Green Bean Cass.	7 Ham or Sausage Egg Muffin Fruit Juice	8 Sloppy Joes
9 Loaded Potato	10 No School	11 Popcorn Shrimp Fr. Fries Fruit Oatmeal Squares	12 Stuffed Crust Pizza Wedge Slushie Green Beans	13 Swedish Meatballs Buttered Noodles Peas Fruit	14 Cheese Steak Sub Onion Rings Fruit	15 Chicken or Tuna Salad
16 Ham Potpie	17 Sausage Links French Toast Fruit Juice	18 Chicken Nuggets Broccoli/Cheese Fruit Banana Bread	19 Homemade Pizza Plain/Pep/BBQ Ckn Fruit Slushie	20 Chicken Enchilada Lasagna Fruit Parmesan Crisps	21 Build your own Burgers French Fries Fruit	22 Hot Dog
23 White Chili	24 Beef Nachos Salsa Corn Fruit	25 Toasted Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Fruit	26 Flatbread Pizza Broccoli Salad Fruit Slushie	27 Salisbury Steaks Mashed Potatoes Buttered Red Beets Fruit	28 Turkey or Ham Hoagie Veggies/Dip Fruit	29 Baked Potato Bar
30 Turkey Bowtie	31 Beef/Bean Burrito Mex. Fiesta Rice Corn Fruit	Milk is included in all meals	Lunch Prices Student \$2.00 Reduced 40¢ Extra Entrée 75¢	Adult Prices Lunch \$3.15 Breakfast \$1.50	Milk 40¢	Chicken Fajita Wrap

*Stimulating in students a passion for excellence in learning, service, and worship.*

## Events and Prayer Calendar

2 <i>Gavin Shrawder Aubrey Springer</i>	3 H—Grace Prep (G,B) <i>John Vovakes Evelyn Wilhelm</i>	4 <b>Picture Day</b> A—WCA (b) <i>Suzan Bartholomew Elijah Bayly</i>	5 <i>Calaina Berry-Propst Garrett Brown</i>	6 A—Nativity BVM (G) A—Mifflin Co. (b) <i>Chloe Calmes Mia Gonzalez</i>	7 <b>Mid-Qtrs. Sent Home Alumni Homecoming</b> H—NCA (G, B) <i>Jonathan Gray</i>	8 <b>Fall Fudge Run 5K/ Alumni Homecoming</b> <i>Brennan Greenwood Brody Heemstra</i>
9 <i>Sarah Kirbas Tyler Kitchens</i>	10 <b>No School</b> <i>Dillon Mack Tyler Miller</i>	11 A—SCA (G, B) <i>Annalyn Mitchell Abraham Nelson</i>	12 <b>HS Testing</b> <i>Laurel Ramsey Owen Rees</i>	13 H—Lourdes (G) A—MCS (b) <i>Megan Snyder Michael Snyder</i>	14 A—Muhlenberg (G, B) <i>Gabriel Bittner</i>	15 <i>Ava Bowen</i>
16 <i>Derek Brubaker</i>	17 H—BCS (G, B) <i>Titus Clemens</i>	18 A—(b, B?) <i>Tyler Conner</i>	19 <i>Lucy Crago</i>	20 A—ACAA Tourn. <i>Eden Daku-Treas</i>	21 A—ACAA Tourn. <i>Nevaeh Fegley</i>	22 A—ACAA Tourn. <i>Amelia Gahring</i>
23 <i>Samuel Garvin</i>	24 <i>Chinmay Govind</i>	25 <i>Liv Heid</i>	26 <i>Landon Hostetter</i>	27 <i>Samantha Hudson</i>	28 <b>End of 1st Qtr.</b> <i>Judah Kennel</i>	29 <b>NCS Golf Classic</b> <i>Lauren Klinger</i>
30 <i>Nathan Lytle</i>	31 <i>Chase Maust</i>	<b>October 2011</b>			