

**September 6, 2024**

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## **Important Dates**

- Monday, Sept. 9- **Fastbridge Testing Starts this week!**
- Friday, Sept. 27 - **Creek Crawl 5:30 - 8 pm**
- Wednesday, Oct. 9 - **PTO Dine and Donate at Qdoba 4-8 pm**

- **Wednesday, Oct. 9 - School Photo makeup/retake day**

## **Creek Crawl Fundraiser Kicks off Today!**

Today in your Child's backpack you should find a flyer for our Creek Crawl. This is our main school fundraiser and a lot of fun for our students & families.

All students receive a free t-shirt on the day of the Creek Crawl.

Students will get sponsors to donate money and win cool prizes! There's even a prize for just signing up!

On the night of the Creek Crawl students will walk the path through the nature center attached to our playground.

Families will gather to enjoy a hot dog dinner and entertainment, and the night ends with a school dance.

[Click here for more information!](#)



#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5:00 PM	Bus service starts from New Berlin West
5:30 PM	Walk for K-2 grade
5:45 PM	Walk for 3-6 grade
5:40-6:30 PM	Complimentary hot dog dinner in the lunchroom
6:00-8:00 PM	School Dance in the gym
8:30 PM	Shuttle bus to New Berlin West ends

#### DONATIONS NEEDED

Please send to school with your student before Sept 27

- Kindergarten–3<sup>rd</sup>: Multipack of individual chip bags
- 4<sup>th</sup>–6<sup>th</sup>: Juice boxes

#### Parent Registration Instructions

- 1 Register for the fundraiser or login to your parent dashboard
- 2 On the parent dashboard, make sure your child has been successfully added to our fundraising event
- 3 Share, easily send at least 10 text messages and/or E-mails, plus post on Facebook or Twitter



Easy Scan for Registration

**HOSTED BY THE POPLAR CREEK PTO**

### OUR LARGEST FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR

\$40,000 goal to fund all PTO programs and events at Poplar Creek. Register at [funhub.com](http://funhub.com) for online donations or bring cash/checks by Friday 9/27

#### SILENT AUCTION

Bid on reserved parking for Fine Arts Night



#### HOT DOG DINNER & DANCE

Free Hot Dog Dinner & Dance to immediately follow the walk until 8:00 pm.

#### CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE

Candy, soda, and other concessions available for purchase. Cash or Venmo.



## **Principal's Message**

The big day finally arrived! The first day of the 2024-25 school year was full of excitement and energy. Yes, we did see some tears on Tuesday (we are thinking of you Kindergarten parents and guardians), but Day One was a huge success! And that is because our Poplar Creek staff, and our incredible PTO, have been working hard all month to prepare for the return of our students.

To start, our “Back to School Night” was a fantastic event. Students and families were saying “Hi” to old friends while making new ones, the classrooms were warm and welcoming, the hallways were buzzing as our students gave each other self-guided tours. Having all of you with us that night was a great reminder as to why Poplar Creek is such a special place, and why the entire PC staff loves working here so much. I know that I am a part of a tremendous community that shares a common purpose: the growth and success of our students.

Now it's time to gear up for our Creek Crawl! This is a fantastic event that brings families together. Your child will be bringing home a flyer from our wonderful PTO today, please take the time to read it over. This is not just a fundraiser, it's a fun Poplar Creek schoolwide community event for parents and students. Save the date: Friday, Sept. 27, 5-8pm.

Fastbridge testing begins next week! Please make sure your child gets a good night's rest and eats a healthy breakfast so everyone can do their best on this important assessment.

We hope all of our Poplar Creek families are as excited as we are for the 2024-25 school year. It will be full of celebrations, success stories, great achievements, and countless moments that will make us proud to call Poplar Creek our school.

# PTO NEWS



## Poplar Creek Spirit Wear!

Here is the link for our spirit wear shop. It is live now and will close at 11:59pm on 9/10/24.

<https://bsg.chippily.com/poplarcreek/>

### Health Room Requests

1. Please consider adding our health room phone number 262-789-6392

and our main office number 262-789-6520 to your cell phone contacts.

Many people have reported that our phone numbers comes up as spam on their cell phones making it difficult for us to get ahold of parents when their children are sick.

**2. The health room is always in need of sweat pants, leggings, and socks of all sizes for accidents.**

**Donations are always appreciated.**



# Meet Your Teachers!

## Our Kindergarten Team

Mrs. Alwaissi, Mrs. Nowak, Mrs. Kartes, Mrs. Hurab, Ms. Durango (Student Teacher)





# Our First Grade Team

Student Teacher Ms. Keck, Mrs. Baumann, Special Ed Teachers Ms. Zimmerman and Ms. Bonnell

Ms. Schicker, Mrs. Kneprath, Mrs. Ferschl and Special Ed Teacher Ms. Lalasz



## **Our Second Grade Team**

Special Ed Teacher Ms. Bonnell, Ms. Jansen, Ms. Oswald,  
Mrs. Koney



**Watch for the rest of our teams in our  
next newsletter!**



# LIBRARY NEWS

2024-2025 Quarter 1

## WEEKLY LIBRARY LESSONS

Students have weekly library lessons that cover online resources, digital safety, author/genre studies, and literacy activities.

New for 24-25 is CodeHS! Students will be learning how to code during library time using activities from CodeHS. These lessons will run from October-December.

## MEET THE LIBRARY STAFF

### District Librarians

Linda Maas - Eisenhower, Elmwood, Orchard Lane  
Barb Uhen - West, Poplar Creek, Reagan

### Library Assistants

Elmwood - Loralie Thomas  
Orchard Lane - Carrie Niggemann  
Poplar Creek - Ashley Guenterberg  
Reagan - Julie Myskowski

## BOOK CARE

Please make sure your child takes care of their library books and returns the books in a timely manner.

Books that are lost or damaged will need to be replaced with the exact same title or paid for in Infinite Campus.

## BOOK CHECKOUT

K - 2 = 2 books  
3 - 6 = 3 books

If your child has an overdue book they will not be allowed to checkout new books until that overdue book is returned.



# Baby Bisswurm!

Welcome to our newest little coyote Norah Julie Bisswurm! She was born Sept. 1.



# After School Activities



Join Cub Scout Pack 140 this coming Wednesday night, Sept. 11, at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria for our first Pack Meeting and new family Join/Info night.

Kids and Scouts will participate in Pack Meeting activities and adult leaders will be available to answer questions. You can also reach us at [pcpack140@gmail.com](mailto:pcpack140@gmail.com) with any questions. See you then!



# Poplar Creek Choir!

Do you love singing with your friends? Do you like learning more challenging music? Are you a 4th, 5th, or 6th grade musician?

Why not join our choir?! We would love to have you!

Practices will be Tuesdays at 8 AM. We will begin Sept. 17. Please enter through the main doors by the office. I will open the doors at 7:50.

Please be on-time. If you need to miss a practice, have an adult send Ms. Polak an email.

If you miss more than 2 practices (unexcused), you may be asked to take a break from choir for the semester.

Concerts will be Dec. 11 and May 8.

Mrs. Polak

Questions? [erica.polak@nbexcellence.org](mailto:erica.polak@nbexcellence.org)



## **Mad Science at Poplar Creek**

When: Mondays Sept. 23 - Oct. 28

What Time: 3:55pm - 4:55 pm

Who: Students in Grades K-5

Cost: \$148.50

Registration Deadline: Thursday, Sept. 19

Questions?? Call 262-330-5029

Click here for more

information: [milwaukee.madscience.org](http://milwaukee.madscience.org).



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**The offer expires on September 15, 2024**



# Hello, Superstar! We want you on our team!

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theRun®**

Are you ready to unlock the leader that's always been inside of you?

## A GOTR SEASON LOOKS LIKE THIS:

- Your team meets twice a week for eight weeks
- Caring coaches lead fun lessons and games, group discussions, and physical activities
- Each team dreams up and completes a Community Impact Project that helps make the world a better place
- You will cross the finish line with your team in an exciting and joyful 5K at American Family Field.



## Join Girls on the Run and watch your confidence soar!



LEARN MORE



LEARN MORE AT [WWW.GIRLSONTHERUNSOUTHEASTERNWI.ORG](http://WWW.GIRLSONTHERUNSOUTHEASTERNWI.ORG)

# **Best Buddies Friendship Club**

Best Buddies Friendship programs build one-to-one friendships between people with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), offering social interactions while improving the quality of life and level of inclusion for a population that is often isolated and excluded.

Through their participation, people with IDD form meaningful connections with their peers, gain self-confidence and self-esteem, and share interests, experiences and activities that many other individuals enjoy.

**We will hold monthly activities after school. Most events would be held at Poplar Creek.**

**If your child is interested in being a part of this wonderful club please sign up on the the google form below.**

**<https://forms.bestbuddies.org/4903689?ChapterAcctID=0014P00004QxiqX>**



# **AFTER SCHOOL THEATER CLASSES**

Come explore the wonderful world of theater with Character Kids!

This fun-filled after school class takes place at Poplar Creek on Thursdays, 4-5 pm, Sept. 19 - Dec. 5 (11 weeks, no class 11/28).

Students will play theater games, learn stage skills and explore popular Broadway musicals while developing imagination, social skills and confidence.

Parents are invited to a special performance on the last day of class!

[Visit our website for more info or to register.](#)



HELD ONSITE AT YOUR  
SCHOOL

## WHERE SPANISH COMES ALIVE!

Studies show that children learn another language more easily when it is a topic that they find fun and interesting. This year's Vamos series incorporates useful and exciting Spanish vocabulary, culture, and conversation skills.

- In our **¡Vamos a Comer!** (Let's Eat!) class, students will be introduced to the market experience from Spanish speaking countries, ordering food in a restaurant, and vocabulary to use at mealtime.
- In our **¡Vamos con los Animales!** (Let's go with the animals!) class, students will experience imaginary animal adventures with hands-on lessons "visiting" a pet store, a family farm, the zoo, the ocean, and even the rainforest!

Don't miss out on this valuable opportunity for your child to practice Spanish in an interactive bilingual classroom!

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SCAN TO ENROLL

All NEW material for  
2024/25 Enroll today!

REGISTER ONLINE:  
<https://futuraadventures.com/wisconsin-region>

### Poplar Creek Elementary

**Day & Time:** Wednesdays, 3:50pm – 4:50pm

**Dates:** 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, (skip 11/27), 12/4, 12/11 – Winter Break – 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, (skip 3/26), 4/2

**Tuition:** \$250 for 16 classes and access to online portal resources and practice tools

**Optional Materials:** Futura water bottle, Spanish Club T-Shirt; Musical CDs (for sale on website)

► Open to Grades KG - 6th and appropriate for students with or without previous Spanish experience.

► Parent Portal included with tuition: Pre-recorded lessons, newsletters and optional homework available online for immediate access. Password will be emailed with class confirmation 48hrs before 1st class.

► Families must register by October 2nd. If the class does not meet the minimum enrollment by the deadline, it may be cancelled. All registered participants will be notified of changes via email. Families who enroll after the deadline will be assessed a \$20 late fee.

► Payment Plans & Grant Assistance Available – To request an application please contact [coordinator@futuraadventures.com](mailto:coordinator@futuraadventures.com) (at least two weeks before the first class).

Learning a 2nd language opens a world of opportunities, enhances cognitive abilities and broadens educational and cultural horizons.

# Community Sports

NBW VARSITY CHEER HOSTS:

## MINI VIKINGS CHEER CLINIC

Your child will learn a fun routine, play games, and perform at halftime of a varsity football game!

We would love to see you there!

**SEPTEMBER 15 • SUNDAY • 9 AM - 12 PM**  
**SEPTEMBER 20TH • FRIDAY • 6 PM**

WHERE: New Berlin West Middle/High School in the mat room (9/15) and at the football field (9/20)

WHEN: September 15th from 9am to 12pm  
September 20th at 6pm

ATTIRE: T-shirt, comfy shorts, and tennis shoes

COST: \$45 + a free t-shirt!

Ages: 5-12

DEADLINE: September 8th (for a free shirt) or September 14th

Register at:

<https://nbps.revtrak.net/new-berlin-west-fees/west-mini-vikings-kids-clinic/> or



Email Kaylee at [kaylee.rendonenbexcellence.org](mailto:kaylee.rendonenbexcellence.org) for more information



## VIKINGS CHEER KIDS CLINIC

*Hosted by the NBW Varsity Cheerleaders!*

**When:** September 15th in mat room & Perform @halftime of the Varsity football game on September 20th, 2024

**Time:** 9 am-noon on the 15th in the mat room & 6:00pm on the 20th in the field house lobby

**Where:** New Berlin West High School Mat Room above the field house and the field house lobby on the 20th.

**Ages:** 5-12

**Attire:** Tennis shoes, comfy shorts, t-shirt

**Cost:** \$45 Sign up **before** September 8th & receive a free shirt and ribbon. After September 8th-shirts are not included.

**Registration:**

<https://nbps.revtrak.net/new-berlin-west-fees/west-mini-vikings-kids-clinic/>

Your child will learn a fun routine and of course play some games and be provided with a snack. They will perform what they learned at halftime at the varsity football game on September 20th for all the parents to see. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Any questions or concerns please contact:

Varsity Head Coach Kaylee: [Kaylee.rendon@nbexcellence.org](mailto:Kaylee.rendon@nbexcellence.org)



## NEW BERLIN WEST 2024 KIDS DANCE CLINIC



### Join the fun with the New Berlin West Varsity Pom & Dance Team!

The 2024 State and National Hip Hop Champions and 2024 National Pom Champions are hosting a Kids Dance Clinic for students in 4k-6th grade. Each participant will learn a dance to **perform during halftime of the NBW Varsity football game on 8/30/24.**

Participants will be split into groups based on age. Participants will also receive a NBW Kids Clinic T-shirt (if registered by 8/1/24), a set of poms, and a snack.

**Registration also includes 2 tickets to the NBW varsity football game on 8/30/24 to view the performance!**

**Location:** New Berlin West Middle/High School Mat Room (Meet in Field House Lobby)

**Date:** August 30, 2024

**Time:** 5:00pm - End of Halftime

**Price:** \$50 Register at [www.nbwpons.com](http://www.nbwpons.com)!

Questions? Email Hannah Chin, Head Coach, at [hannah.chin@nbexcellence.org](mailto:hannah.chin@nbexcellence.org)!



# NEW BERLIN WEST VIKINGS

## Youth Girls Basketball Tryouts

All evaluations will be held in the gym at Poplar Creek Elementary  
(Drive around the west side of the school for gym entrance.)

### Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2024:



3rd Grade: 9/11/24 Check in 5:00 pm- Tryout 5:15-6:30 pm

4th Grade: 9/11/24 Check in 5:00 pm- Tryout 5:15-6:30 pm

5th Grade 9/11/24 Check in 6:15 pm- Tryout 6:30-7:30 pm

### Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 2024:

6th Grade: 9/13/24 Check in 5:00 pm- Tryout 5:15-6:30 pm

7th Grade: 9/13/24 Check in 6:15 pm- Tryout 6:30-7:30 pm

8th Grade: 9/13/24 Check in 6:15 pm- Tryout 6:30-7:30 pm

**Each player should bring a basketball and a water bottle.**



**Register for evaluations by filling out the Google form below.**

←Scan to register or go to→ <https://forms.gle/LBNyxnzHMyifioXq6>

**\*Players must reside within the New Berlin West High School boundaries\***

New Berlin West Youth Basketball Club is not affiliated with the School District of New Berlin. The School District of New Berlin does not endorse, sponsor, or supervise the event(s)/activities identified in this communication. *This is a feeder program for New Berlin West High School Basketball Program. For more information, contact the club's President, Mark DuBois at [president.nbwyg6@gmail.com](mailto:president.nbwyg6@gmail.com)*

Visit us at [nbwestgirlshoops.com](http://nbwestgirlshoops.com)

Follow us on Facebook at New Berlin West Youth Girls Basketball



# New Berlin West Youth Boys Basketball Club



~ 2024 Boys Select Tryouts 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade ~

All tryouts will be held in the New Berlin West Fieldhouse  
on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>.

12:00-1:30 pm 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade

2:00-3:30 pm 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade

4:00-5:30 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade

*\*\*2nd graders with basketball experience are welcome to tryout with the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders and could be put on a team depending on their skill level\*\**

To register for tryouts, go to <https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/442141>  
and register via TeamSnap. Tryout registration closes promptly on 9/6/2024  
11:59pm

Bring a basketball and water bottle!

*NBWYBC will be holding tryouts for the Boys Select Basketball Program. The teams are comprised of grade school and middle school boys who **reside within the New Berlin West High School boundaries**, are parent-sponsored, participate in the Wisconsin Youth Basketball League (WYBL) and play in approximately 30 to 40 league and tournament games between Nov 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>.*

*The NBWYBC is a feeder program for New Berlin West High School Basketball. For more information, contact the club's secretary, Ashley Pelton at [ashleyp0326@hotmail.com](mailto:ashleyp0326@hotmail.com)*

# Community Announcements

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	ANYTIME ACCESS	WALK-UP
GENERAL ADMISSION	\$24	<del>\$35</del>
CHILD (3-11)	\$15	<del>\$20</del>
INFANT (under 3)	FREE	FREE

Tax and processing fee included

**DISCOUNTED TICKETS**



For ticket purchase please contact:

**Sylvia Li**

Phone: 262 - 420 - 0565

Email: [sl9105@stu.nbboxcellence.org](mailto:sl9105@stu.nbboxcellence.org)

Tickets good for any day, any time!



## **Looking for a Part-Time job with Weekends, Holidays and Summers Off?**

Want to work only when the kids are in school?

**HELP NEEDED: SCHOOL NUTRITION  
SERVICES**

Elmwood and Poplar Creek have openings for Kitchen/Cafeteria Staff. Positions are for four hours per day, approximately 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., five days per week following the school day calendar. Job shares will be considered.

If interested, please contact department director, Cindy Jensen at:

[cindy.jensen@nbexcellence.org](mailto:cindy.jensen@nbexcellence.org) or call

262-789-6209.



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