

NCEP News

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Newmarket Community Education Partnership

Enhancing social, recreational and educational experiences for children and youth in the town of Newmarket

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Newsletter Highlights

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- Gardening at NES
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NCEP has a new look

We have a new logo and website! Thanks to board member, Sherry Day, our new look better reflects the heart of our organization –

community, education and children. Thanks, Sherry, for

www. ncepconnects. org

energizing NCEP! Our website has been updated with news, grant and other helpful information. The new address is:

www.ncepconnects.org Check it out!

Coming Soon: NCEP Family Fun Walk

Our first annual walk is a family fun walk for all ages in our community. The walk is generously sponsored by Zoo Nation, Newmarket Business Association and Lamprey River Screenprint. All proceeds go

towards NCEP! We hope your family and friends will join us!

The walk will be a short and fun loop around Ney



around Newmarket – approximately 30 minutes. Please see walk details on the **next page.**

Love to NCEP



NCEP was honored to receive a sizable grant from the LOVE Foundation. The grant was specifically targeted towards recreational camp scholarships. This year, there are at least 28 Newmarket children who will need assistance. Thanks to the LOVE Foundation, we are pledging \$10,000 this year and hope to be able to help every one of them!

Seeds of education

Gardens are coming to NES! The gardens will provide an outdoor lab where children can learn about plants, growing systems and

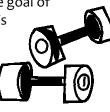


nutrition. Funding provided by NCEP will be used to purchase cedar for the raised beds, soil and tools required for the project. Plantrelated activities will start in the classroom and then head outdoors to the beds. Children will learn about soil, how to start and transplant plants, how to care for plants and how to maintain a healthy growing environment. NCEP granted \$550 towards the project and looks forward to watching it grow.

Strength training comes to the High School

Through a \$300 grant, NCEP brings strength training classes to NJSHS. The goal of

the program is to teach the benefits of strength training as well as the



importance of safety in the weight room. The 10-week program is for girls in grades 9-12.

More **projects** we're supporting

New books for grades 2-5 at the Elementary School. NCEP's \$584 grant will be used to purchase new book sets which will

replace wellloved and well-used existing sets.



- \$629 was granted to the Elementary School for special equipment used to aid students with multiple disabilities. This electronic equipment will increase their independence and access to curriculum.
- A new listening center was granted to the world language classroom at the High School. NCEP's \$350 grant will allow groups of

students to work as a small group on listening exercises.



- The High School's Spanish classroom was given \$650 for the purchase of a magnetic whiteboard. The new whiteboard will enable teachers to enhance their instruction with magnetic visual aids and will allow students to participate in written board activities.
- NCEP helps send the High School's Interact Club to New Orleans during April vacation. The \$750 will help defray expenses for this humanitarian trip. Twentytwo students will work with Habitat for Humanity and also learn about New Orleans and Cajun culture.

Great Bay Half Marathon goes the distance for NCEP

Our friends at **Moody Point** chose to sponsor EXETER HOSPITAL 2011 Great Bay Half Marathon

NCEP during The Great Bay Half Marathon held on April 3. The \$300 proceeds (paid by Loco, the race organizers) for the neighborhood's water station went directly to NCEP. In addition, residents made over \$800 in additional donations. Thank you, Moody Point; we really appreciate it!

Thank you!

A **huge thanks** to our donors for a wonderful response to our fall fundraising efforts. Thanks to you, NCEP was able to award over \$3,500 in grants to Newmarket's Schools. The deadline for our next grant cycle is **August 15**. Visit our new website for more information: www.ncepconnects.org

NCEP Family Fun Walk: information & details

Date: Sat., May 7th

Time: 9:00 a.m. registration; 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. walk

Location: Schanda Park, Water Street, Newmarket

<u>Registration fee:</u> \$10. per participant/family (waived if you raise \$20. or more)

<u>Pledge Sheets:</u> Contact Heidi Chase; heidiwchase@gmail.com for more information

First 30 registrants get a cool t-shirt!







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