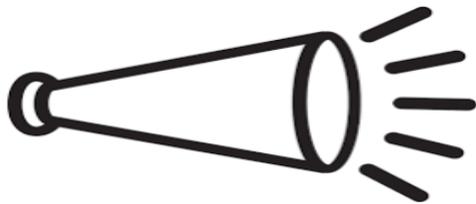




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**Classroom Lessons:** This month 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be learning more about college and career awareness. Some classrooms will receive lessons on Fairness.

**Counseling:** There will be counseling groups starting for students who are dealing with loss or change, social skills, or managing feelings of anxiety. Please let me know if your student could benefit from these groups or meeting individually; referral forms for counseling are available in the front office. **Resources:** Please let me know if there are any significant needs with which your family needs help.



### Your Voice Matters!

We need your input on matters that affect your student and our school. Do you ever wonder about the school's budget or why the school chooses to focus on certain areas? Attend our School Community Council meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> at 6PM and find out!



### 2017 Cesar Chavez Language and Visual Arts Contest

Cesar Chavez worked hard for social change to support the rights of migrant farm workers. Like Cesar Chavez, there are many others who fight for social justice. This includes equal access to civil liberties, human rights and opportunities for all. We are excited because this year's theme allows our Salt Lake City School District students to express their ideas about people in their own communities who are actively involved in Social Justice causes. This year's themes are: What can be done to support the right of people in our communities? What Social Justice causes are people fighting for today that make a difference in the lives of individuals? Please see the link below for more information:

<http://www.slcschools.org/departments/educational-equity/CESAR-CHAVEZ-CONTEST.php>



### After School Program

The After School program now has a cellular phone so you can reach someone when no one is in the office. The phone number is 801.201.5610.

## Principal's Message

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We are looking forward to a year full of student's working hard and improving their skills, new and exciting learning, fun activities, and making great connections with their teachers and our staff. Our teachers are also ready to work hard by continuing to provide our students with the most effective learning opportunities and preparing students for the upcoming assessment.

Coming back to school can be tough after a major vacation. It is so important to help your child remember that things will get back to normal quickly and having a good night's sleep is something that is required to be a good learner. It is necessary to get your student back into the routine of reading every night, completing their reading log and having it signed. Homework should be done first thing when they arrive home and then also put away for the morning. Make sure he or she comes back to school ready for weather with a warm coat, boots, and a hat. The backpack and planner can be ready, signed and put in the backpack at night to make it easier in the morning.

We are so grateful to have such a supportive and caring community! We all want our students to have the best opportunities and success in everything they do. Sometimes even when we are faced with having the students do things that seem to be too difficult for them, we know that it is to help to build responsibility and know accomplishment. We invite you to be a part of our School Community Council to assist us with making decisions that will affect your students' future. We must together to help our students learn, keep them safe, and to make sure they are happy.

Wishing you all the best in the coming year!

Mrs. Andrews



### Family Night Sing-A-Long

Thanks to everyone that volunteered and participated in the Sing-A-Long! It was great!



### Coming Events:

- 11 School Community Council Meeting at 6PM
- 12 PTA at 6PM
- 13 Tiger Hunt
- 16 MLK Jr. Day-No School
- 19 Family Night-Technology! 6:30
- 24-26 SEP Conferences 2:40-7PM

### Leader in Me!

To start off the new year, you need a new WIG! That's right! With the Leader in Me, WIGS stand for Wildly Important Goals! It's a perfect time to set personal and family goals. Research has shown that the simple act of writing a goal greatly increases the chances of accomplishing the goal. If the goal is broken down into action steps and the action steps are tracked, goals have an even greater percentage of success.



### Security at Newman

Please be aware that we will be installing a new security system in the front doors to the school. At 8:15AM, the entire building will be LOCKED! Visitors will need to press the button in front of the school and the cameras will be used to verify the identity of the visitor. We will keep you updated on the date that this will go into effect. Although this may be an inconvenience when you come to pick up or drop off your student during the school day, this is a small price to pay for the safety of ALL of the students at Newman.

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