



SEPTEMBER 25 - 29, 2023

# NKES UPDATE

## THINGS YOU "OTTER" KNOW

### BUS EXPECTATIONS

Please help support our transportation department and bus drivers in keeping our students safe by reminding your children of safe bus rules. This includes facing forward, remaining seated, and speaking in a low volume so the driver can concentrate.

### STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL

SRP was adopted this summer by NKCPSS and provides a common language across the state for all first responders in an emergency. Responses include: Hold, Secure, Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter. We will have a lockdown drill this week.

### FALL FESTIVAL

Save the date: October 21st will be our PTO Fall Festival! This is their biggest fundraiser of the year, so please consider joining the PTO and signing up to volunteer! There will be a Spooky Sprint, Silent Auction, Food Trucks, and more! We can't wait to see you there!



**GREETINGS, RIVER OTTER FAMILIES!**  
Hello River Otter Families,

Can you believe it is already the last week of September? We have enjoyed watching your children make connections with their teachers, and our teachers have been working hard to build trust and establish relationships with their students. We truly believe NKES is a family, and we LOVE welcoming your children into our building each day. Thank you for sharing them with us!

Love,  
Dr. Stamm & Dr. O'Dea

### IMPORTANT DATES

- Week of 9/25 - Lockdown Drill
- 9/29 - PTO Fall Fundraiser Begins
- 10/2 - Custodian Appreciation Day  
*Thank you, Mr. Bill!!!*
- 10/2-10/13 - Candy Monsters available for candy drop-off (for Fall Festival)
- 10/3 - McDonald's Spirit Night in Quinton
- 10/4 - Fall Picture Day
- 10/4 - Interim 1 Ends
- 10/6 - Gifted Referrals Due
- 10/16 - At Home Learning Day

### HIGHLIGHT OF THE WEEK!

Pictured above, our amazing school counselors did our first lunch ticket raffle in the cafeteria on Friday! Students earn tickets for PAWsitve behavior during lunch, and have the option to win the treasure box or to choose where they sit if they win the raffle!