

Here is the 35th and final edition of the Aggie Times Weekly Column for the 2020-2021 school year! Enjoy!

Thank you so much for your support this year. Have a safe and fun summer! Can't wait to see you all in the fall! -The Aggie Times Staff

Weekly Poll

⇒ Last week's poll question was "Do you burn or do you tan?" And the results are in! 52.5% said that they tan and 47.5% said that they burn. Because this is the last edition we will not have our normal poll, but instead, we ask for only students to answer this one! The question is "Would you be interested in writing for the Aggie Times next year?" Click <u>here</u> to answer and come back in the fall for a new poll question!

New Website!

⇒ Before the Weekly Column was created last year, the newspaper used to be a website that was updated quarterly throughout the year with new stories! The website has not been updated in a while, but writer/reporter Miranda Beech decided to revamp the website which will be updated monthly as will the news stories that are posted weekly in the Weekly Column as of next year! Click <u>here</u> to check it out!



Junior & Sophomore Field Day

 \Rightarrow On Wednesday, Juniors spent the morning participating in field day which consisted of a relay race as well as many activities for students to choose from. Sophomores had their field day in the afternoon. The relay race was run and organized by Ms. Collins with help from Ms. Quinn and Ms. Tcherkezian with many teacher participants to make the day run smoothly. The relay race was dominated by Ms. Butler with the junior Black Team in the morning and Ms. Quinn with the sophomore Red Team took first place in the afternoon. A fun day was had by all!



Freshman Field Day

 \Rightarrow On Thursday, the freshman had a full day of fun at their field day! The field day featured many activities that required teamwork, skill, and of course a positive attitude!

The freshman started at their vocational Olympic events that included mentally measuring pieces of wood at Ag Mech, pushing a bucket of water through an obstacle course at Plant Science, creating leather tags at Animal Science, and learning how to sustainably use natural resources by fishing for ping pong balls at Environmental Science. After showing off their vocational expertise the students headed to an escape room where they had to use their academic knowledge to figure out clues as quickly as they could! To unleash their creativity everyone designed flags for The Aggie, wrote a song, and choreographed their own dance. The products were all interesting, to say the least but the smiles on their faces while making them are some for the books. To round out the day, all of the teams participated in a relay race with activities ranging from tree identification to leapfrog. In the end, Orange Team took first place with Red Team coming in second and Pink in third. Needless to say, everyone left with memories, new friendships, and popsicles that will last a lifetime, (except the popsicles of course).



Teacher Field Day (Ice cream social)

⇒ Tuesday after school, teachers had their own "field day" with ice cream donated by the FFA Advisors. Teachers also took a moment to give special thanks to the department supervisors for their help in guiding teachers through a chaotic year. That administration team included Mr. Crowley, Ms. Radzvilla, Ms. Caron, and Ms. Black.



Math Mural Project Winner

⇒ All sophomore math classes were assigned a mural project where they were asked to choose a picture of their choice and turn it into a mural using mathematical properties. The mural projects were hanging in the cafe to be voted in and the results have been tallied! Taking first place was Bethany Macdonald, in second place was Mackenzie Leshinski and in third place was Anna Conway! Congratulations! See below for the pictures (featured from left to right).



Kiss a Pig

⇒ The votes have been cast and three lucky winners were chosen to kiss a pig! The winners were, Mr. Gendron, Mr. Cat, and Mr. Brol! In case you didn't witness it, here's a <u>short video</u> of the event! There's up to every up a participated in this

Thank you to everyone who participated in this fundraiser! We raised just over \$400!



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Cow Donations

⇒ Aggie graduate, Scott Schofield, donated three wooden cow cutouts to FFA for decorations and other uses! Thanks, Scott!



FFA

⇒ The Norfolk Chapter of the FFA had its 87th annual banquet virtually this year. FFA invites you to <u>watch this video</u> which showcases the accomplishments of our members during this unprecedented year of FFA competitions!

Summer Reading List

⇒ <u>The summer reading list is here!</u> Pick any book off the list and read it before returning to school in the fall!



Shop Highlights Clownfish Up for Adoption

⇒ We have two clownfish up for adoption! We have one cinnamon clown and one orange ocellaris. Both of them can be with other fish but must be the only clownfish in the tank. Contact Mrs. Spain at <u>dspain@norfolkaggie.org</u> if you are interested! ***Note: The photos below are not the actual fish, just examples!***



Sheep Vaccines

⇒ Last Friday, juniors in Ms. Songin's livestock class helped vaccinate the lambs to protect them against clostridial diseases and tetanus which can be fatal. The CDT vaccines are typically given by senior vet classes, but juniors got to step up to the plate since seniors graduated! CDT is given as a subcutaneous injection in the skin behind the elbow.



Research Farm

⇒ The MGH junior interns were invited to participate in a day of training at a research farm. Two Aggie graduates helped train our students while there! Dr. Lisa Quinn (Class of 2009) who now works as a lab animal veterinarian at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Addie Balabanis (Class of 2020)!! Aggie interns were thrilled with their new skills and knowledge from the experience!



Lettuce Donation

⇒This week the freshman in Mr. Thompson's plant science class picked the last of the lettuce they planted and donated it to the food bank! Here at The Aggie, we're very proud of what we do to help the community, and donations from the Abundance Garden are a huge part of that. The students loved being able to see the lettuce go from small seeds being planted to people in need.



Aggie Abundance Garden

⇒ This week on Wednesday after school was the last volunteer day for the school year in the Aggie Abundance Garden. The Garden is off to a wonderful start and teachers and volunteers will be working in it over the summer. This past Wednesday a few students and teachers stayed after school to do some weeding around the celery and the Dedham food Pantry stopped to pick up some donations of freshly picked



lettuce! Pictures below show the celery before and after it was weeded! Looks like the volunteers were hard at work! The Aggie Abundance garden has also been growing and harvesting radishes!



Sports

Softball

⇒ Varsity softball had a relatively quiet week. They played West Bridgewater in a scrimmage on Tuesday and the game came to an end in a tie, the score was 11-11. They spent the rest of the week preparing for the tournament, speaking of which the seedings came out on Wednesday! Aggie's varsity team placed #1! Their first game of the tournament will be played next Monday, June 6 at 3:30 pm at Norfolk Aggie. If you are around make sure to come and support the team in what is bound to be an exciting game.

Baseball

⇒Baseball also had a fairly quiet week. The team spent the week preparing for the tournament during practices. Their seedings came out yesterday as well and they placed 21st in the state and will be playing Seekonk today. Good luck boys!



Parent Network Spring Raffle Fundraiser

⇒The Parent Network has its final spring raffle this month! Raffled off this month will be; Walpole basket (gift cards & more), Westwood basket (gift cards & more), Fiesta Basket (Roche Bros gift card & more), and a Mathews Tactic Bow (a \$799 value)! <u>Tickets are</u> <u>now available for Raffle #3 here.</u> The drawing is on June 25th at 7:00 pm! Good luck!

Spirit Week

⇒ This week was Spirit Week! Media Monday, Tourist Tuesday, Wicked Wednesday, Throwback Thursday, and Ag Swag Friday! Students, teachers, and staff had a great time dressing up and showing off their school spirit! Check out the pictures below!





Please help support our column by sending any submissions to the NCAHS Student Newspaper at <u>aggietimes@norfolkaggie.org</u>. Co-Presidents: Amelia Germain and Sophia Antonuccio Contributors: Miranda Beech, Liberty Farry, Johanna Barber, Madelyn Germain, Amanda Rotigliano Advisor: Ms. Butler