### NMS Guidance Center September Newsletter

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#### **Guidance Newsletter!**

New for the 2019-2020 school year is our monthly guidance newsletter.

What can you find in our newsletters?

- -Upcoming guidance-related dates and events
- -Links and resources for students and parents.
- -Clubs and Groups
- -Follow us on Twitter!

#### **Guidance Counsellors: What do we do?**

#### **Guidance Curriculum**

- -Positive Learning Environment Initiatives
- -Guest Speakers
- -Presentations: Conflict Resolution, Mental Fitness
- -Bullying Awareness Activities

#### **Individual Planning**

- -Support students in successful transitions
- -Support students in developing and achieving personal, educational and occupational
- -Help students in discovering and understanding their abilities, interests, skills and achievements

#### **Responsive Services**

- -Provide short-term, solution-focused individual/group counselling
- -Crisis preparedness and intervention
- -Consultation with stakeholders, including parents/guardians, teachers, & outside
- -Referral to other professionals when appropriate.

#### **Program Support**

- -Review of school data
- -Personal professional development
- Communication about programs to stakeholders
- -Community outreach

#### Becca Schofield Day - September 20th - #BeccaToldMeTo

Each class will be challenged to complete as many Random Acts of Kindness during the week of September 16th-20th in Becca's honours. Want to know more about Becca's Story? Check out beccatoldmeto.ca









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## How Can Students Access the Guidance Counsellors?

Your child can access the school guidance counsellors in the following ways:

- Children can self-refer themselves by submitting a note into the guidance box found outside the main office. Students should include their name, date and brief description of their circumstances/situation. The guidance team checks the box daily and responds accordingly.
- 2. Your child can pass his or her LINK Card onto any of the NMS Companions and ask him or her to schedule an appointment with the guidance counsellor. They can also leave their LINK card with a guidance counsellor.
- 3. Your child can ask his or her teacher to help them communicate with the guidance counsellor and he or she will speak/email the guidance team to help set up an appointment.
- 4. Your child can ask you –the parent/ guardian—to call or email their respective guidance counsellor and inform them that he or she would like to set up an appointment.









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