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December Newsletter 2022

Dec. 1	Report Cards issued
Dec. 1	Ring a Bell
Dec. 5	50/50 Ticket Sales begin
Dec. 5	Homemade Mixes Fundraiser ends
Dec. 5	Gr. 4/5 Girls Basketball Game in Hartland at 6:30pm
Dec. 6-8	Book Fair
Dec. 6, 13	Enrichment
Dec. 7	NMS Presents Willy Wonka on stage at NES at 12:30pm & 7pm
Dec. 8	Student Led Conferences 4:30-6:30 pm
Dec. 9	Phone Conferences 9-11:30 (no school), PL for staff in pm
Dec. 12	Candy Cane Grams on sale
Dec. 12	Student Talent Show Auditions begin
Dec. 14	Christmas Dinner for students- order online
Dec. 14,15	Basketball for Grades 3-5 – none the last week of school
Dec. 15	Kristy Glazier presents her new book to students
Dec. 16	Last Day for Food Services
Dec. 19	Last Day for Library- all books due
Dec. 20	Christmas Concert 9:30am and 12:30pm repeated
Dec. 21	50/50 Ticket drawn
Dec. 21	Candy Cane Grams delivered
Dec. 21	Rudolph Rotation Stations
Dec. 22	December Birthday Cupcake Day
Dec. 22	Santa visits NES
Dec. 22	Art Richard performance at 10:30am
Dec. 23	Last Day of Classes with dismissal at 11:50 am
Jan. 9	Back to School

Happy Holidays

The last day of classes before Christmas break will be December 23rd. It is a half day and busses will leave here at 11:50am. The first day back for students will be January 9th. We appreciate all the support parents and community have given to the school this term and we look forward to working with you in the New Year. The staff of NES wishes all students and their families a joyous and blessed holiday season!

Report Cards/Student Progress Conferences

Report cards for this term were issued on December 1st. Student Led Conferences will be December 8th from 4:30-6:30pm and Conference Phone Calls will take place on December 9th from 9:00am to 11:30am. The time for your conference is indicated on the report card and teachers look forward to discussing your child's progress with you.

Christmas Dinner

We are excited to offer our annual Christmas Dinner again. We are unable to invite in our school families, but students will have the opportunity to purchase the dinner online through the Nutrislice app or through the special-order form. The form went home last week and will be served during our regular lunch time on December 14th in the cafeteria for those students interested in buying the dinner. The dinner is only \$2.50 and will include turkey, potatoes, gravy, dressing, veggies, cranberry sauce, milk and fruit crisp. The storm date for this meal will be Dec. 15th. Orders are due by December 8th.

Christmas Concert

We are excited to have our first in house Christmas Concert again this year. The theme is the Polar Express with acting by the drama enrichment group. Each class will perform a song, instrumental or poem as part of the musical. We will run the concert twice for your convenience at 9:30am and 12:30pm. You may park behind the school for the concert as we will be having indoor recesses that day. Each grade level will be decorating a tree donated by Snokist and these will be auctioned off online and featured at our concert. We will announce the winner of the auction at the first concert. Since we are having our concert in person this year, we would like to let you know that we will be collecting monetary donations at the door the day of the concert. The money collected will be given to the Lions Club to support their Christmas Daddies program.



Student Council

The Student Council is planning the return of the first in person student talent show in several years. The show is on December 23rd at 8:45am. Students who are interested in participating need to see Mr. Graham to audition during the week of December 12th. The Fun Day this month will be a Santa hat day on December 23rd for 50 cents. The SRC also is running a candy cane gram campaign starting December 12th until December 16th. They will be delivered to students on Wednesday, December 21st. Students and parents can purchase a Candy Cane Gram for \$1, write a little message, and have it delivered to your child/student/friend, with a full-sized candy cane, on the morning of the 21st. Please fill out the message card that will be sent home and send it in (with a \$1) to your child's homeroom teacher. All messages and money need to be in by Friday, December 16th. If you require additional forms, please let your child's homeroom teacher know. As well, Santa will visit the school on December 22nd at 9am to greet the students. Thanks for your support ~ Happy Holidays!

NES HEALTHY MINDS

We would like to thank our most recent donors: UNIFOR Local 219, NVFD and the Lions Club. All our donations go towards feeding our students and supporting playground upgrades. Thank you to all for your continued support!

Art Richard

We welcome the return of bilingual favorite, Art Richard, who will perform for the school on December 22nd at 10:30 am. He does an amazing job each time we have had him and we are looking forward to his liver performance!

Dress Warm

Just a reminder that students are all expected to go outside at recess and also during outdoor learning. Students should come prepared for the cold weather with proper footwear and warm outerwear.

Enrichment

Students had an opportunity to sign up for a fun Christmas holiday related activity to take part in for three weeks. Some of the activities will be featured during the concert like the bell choir and drama production.

Book Fair

The book fair is back in person again from December 6-8th. Classes will be scheduled during the day to visit the book fair and it will be open during student led conferences from 4:30-6:30pm on the 8th as well. There is a ballot draw for anyone that attends the book fair in person for \$25 gift certificate. We hope you can attend but there is a virtual option as well and that information was sent home earlier in November.

Ring a Bell Campaign

During Ring a Bell Week, almost 70 000 students in Elementary and Middle school will be ringing bells for one minute in support of mental health. Nackawic Elementary students will be discussing Mental Health during the week leading up to the minute of bell ringing. NES will ring the bell on morning announcements on December 1st. They will be learning about how to care for their own mental health.

Birthdays

Our students and staff who had a birthday in December include Liam Plumadore, Frans Elsinghorst, Thatcher Mercer, Gideon Gonzales-Moser, Leah DeMerchant, Landen Forbes, Quinn Ingraham, Noah Whittaker, Logan Milburn, Rachael Banville, Oliver Burton, Bentley Flemming, Ava Sinclair, Braxton Wright-Marr, Cohen Wright-Marr, Frances Nason, Mme Fox, Mr. Dunn, Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Cernivz. We will celebrate December birthdays with cupcakes donated by J-Lynn's Independent Grocer Cupcakes on Dec. 22nd.

50/50 Draw

Nackawic Elementary School will be holding a 50/50 ticket fundraiser. Each student will bring home a book of five (5) tickets. Tickets are \$2.00 each. They will be sold from December 5th to December 16th. The draw will take place on Wednesday, December 21st. All tickets and money must be returned to the school by Friday, December 16th. Please return any unsold tickets. If you wish to have more books, please send a note with your child, or call the school at 575-6000. The student who sells the winning ticket will win an NES prize package. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward field trips, the playground and supplies needed for student activities. Good luck to everyone and thank you for your support.

Rudolph Rotation Stations

K-2 and 3-5 will rotate in their own groups between seven Christmas-related stations on December 21st. The students will have lots of fun with these curriculum-based stations with a holiday theme.

Willy Wonka Production

This musical was slated to be performed in May of 2020 but due to Covid, it was shut down. The cast was promised that we would perform one day in the future when it was possible. This fall, the original cast had the opportunity to take part in the production again and over half of the original cast saw it through. We are very proud of them. We would like to thank Heather Everett, Gracie Myshrall, Justin Morehouse, Tracy Dempsey, Michelle Nowlan, Phyllis Connor, Erica Barrett and Sandra Marr for all their help with the show. The show will be performed for students at NES and NMS on December 7th at 12:30pm and again at 7:00pm for the public. The evening performance is by donation and there will be Wonka treats sold at intermission. We hope you can come!

