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December Newsletter 2023

Dec. 4	Report Cards issued
Dec. 4	Ring a Bell
Dec. 5-8	Book Fair
Dec. 5, 12	Boys Basketball Practices 5:30-7pm
Dec. 6	Gr. 4/5 Boys Basketball Game at Canterbury at 6:00pm
Dec. 6, 14, 18	Concert Drama Practices from 3-4pm
Dec. 4, 11	Enrichment
Dec. 4, 11, 18	Gr. 4-5 Band at recess
Dec. 7	Student Led Conferences 5:00-7:00 pm
Dec. 7	Last QSB 7-8:15pm
Dec. 8	Student Led Conferences 9-11:30 am (no school for students)
Dec. 11-15	Candy Cane Grams on sale
Dec. 11, 15	Girls Basketball Practices 3-4:30 pm
Dec. 11	Student Talent Show Auditions begin
Dec. 12	Girls Game at Centreville at 5:30 pm
Dec. 12	Last Day for Library- all books due
Dec. 13	Jr. Chef 3-4:30 pm
Dec. 14	Christmas Bingo 6:30pm
Dec. 14	Christmas Dinner for students- order online (\$4.00)
Dec. 15	Last Day for cafeteria orders
Dec. 16	Girls Tournament at AYR Motor
Dec. 17	Boys Basketball Game at Harvey at 11:30 am
Dec. 18-22	Dress Up Days
Dec. 19	Christmas Concert 9:30am and 12:30pm repeated
Dec. 20	Candy Cane Grams delivered by Santa
Dec. 21	Rudolph Rotation Stations, Talent Show
Dec. 21	December Birthday Cupcake Day
Dec. 22	Last Day of Classes with dismissal at 11:50 am
Jan. 8	Back to School

Happy Holidays

The last day of classes before Christmas break will be December 22nd. It is a half day for students and busses will leave here at 11:50 am. The first day back for students will be January 8th. 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 4th. Student Led Conferences will be December 7th from 5-7 pm and on December 8th from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. The time for your conference is indicated on the report card and students look forward to sharing their progress with you. Stations will be set up in each room for students to tour you through. Other students may be sharing with parents at the same time.

Christmas Concert

We are excited to share our Christmas Concert with you on Tuesday, December 19th at 9:30am and 12:30pm. The second will be a repeat of the first so you can join whichever time works better for you. Each class will perform a song, as part of the musical, The Year Without a Santa Claus. You may park behind the school for the concert as we will be having indoor recesses that day. We will be collecting monetary donations at the door the day of the concert for the Lions Club to support their Christmas Daddies program.



Student Council

The Student Council is planning many fun activities this month for the students including our first talent show of the year. The show is on December 21st at 1pm. Students who are interested in participating need to see Mr. Graham to audition during the week of December 11th. The Fun Day this month will be a Christmas Character Dress Up Day on December 22nd for 50 cents. Free dress up days will run all week with Dec. 18th being Ugly Christmas Sweater Day, Dec. 19th being Christmas Formal Attire (for the concert), Dec. 20th being Christmas Hat Day and Dec. 21st being Christmas PJ Day. The SRC also is running a candy cane gram campaign starting December 11th until December 15th. They will be delivered to students on Wednesday, December 20th by Santa. 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 20th. 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 15th. If you require additional forms, please let your child's homeroom teacher know. Happy Holidays!

NES HEALTHY MINDS

We would like to thank our most recent donors: TOPS 4242, Judy and Wayne Fox, Joe and Sinikka Broczkowski, and Sue Glazier in memory of Stanley and Earle Stairs. We appreciate your continued support to our school! We provide food for students as needed as well as support new initiatives on our playground. We also would like to thank FMI for a donation of hats and mittens as well as many other anonymous donations. A special thank you to Althea Arbuckle for the homemade knit socks and mittens and to an anonymous donor for the large donation of new gloves. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Priest at the school. 506-575-6000.

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. Extra mittens and a change of clothes should be sent for students who might get wet at recess.

Enrichment

Students have been taking part in 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 drama production and art.

Christmas Dinner

We are excited to offer our annual Christmas Dinner again to students and staff. You can purchase the dinner online through the Nutrislice app or through the special-order form. This 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 \$4.00 and will include turkey, potatoes, gravy, dressing, veggies, cranberry sauce, milk and a cookie for dessert. The storm date for this meal will be Dec. 15th. Orders are due by December 8th online or December 11th by paper form. Order forms have been sent home.

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.

Rudolph Rotation Stations

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

Band

We have really appreciated the work Miss Purdue has put into our grade 4-5 band. Students have been busy practicing every Monday at recess. We look forward to hearing them in the concert.

Christmas Bingo

The playground committee is organizing another bingo night on December 14th at 6:30 pm. Cards are \$5, and we will play 4 corners, 2 straight lines not including the free and the full card. We will have prizes for adults and children, but we are not able to award the official prizes to a child due to lottery rules. Any student dressed up in Christmas attire may enter their name for a draw for other great prizes.

Book Fair

The book fair is scheduled from December 5-8th. Classes will be scheduled during the day to visit the book fair on the 5th and 6th and it will be open during student led conferences from 5-7pm on the 7th and from 9-11:30am on the 8th.

Birthdays

Our students and staff who had a birthday in December include Liam Plumadore, Frans Elsinghorst, Thatcher Mercer, Gideon Gonzales-Moser, Landen Forbes, Quinn Ingraham, Noah Whittaker, Logan Milburn, Rachael Banville, Oliver Burton, Bentley Flemming, Braxton Wright-Marr, Cohen Wright-Marr, Frankie Nason, Grace Rudolph, Hudson Brewer, Mrs. Fox, Mr. Dunn, Miss King and Mrs. Cernivz. We will celebrate December birthdays with cupcakes donated by J-Lynn's Independent Grocer Cupcakes on Dec. 21st.