



The Nehalem Nugget



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BE SAFE . . . BE RESPECTFUL . . . BE RESPONSIBLE

GRADE DAY

December 1, 2017—NO school

FRIDAY

Report cards will come home Wednesday
 December 6, 2017

WINTER MUSIC PROGRAM

The Winter Music Program will be on Tuesday, 12/5/2017. Mr. Simpson, the students and staff look forward to seeing family and friends. Students will need to be here at school by 6:15 p.m. and should go directly to their classrooms. The program will begin at **6:30** p.m. in the gym.

New T-shirts are here!



A limited supply is available in adult and student sizes in the NES office for \$ 10.00.

Help us spread kindness in our community.

All shirts are red with white lettering.

A Message from the Family Resource Room

At last there is a place to recycle those plastic thin-film plastic grocery bags.....HERE! I will reuse every one of them and then recycle the ones that make a round trip to the pool. I also use them for our backpack program; over 80 bags per week. Please save them over the long holiday break and send them to school with your child. Send them ANY time. They are truly appreciated.

ALSO...I love accepting donations of worn, small, even ugly bath towels. This year they are disappearing at a rapid rate and I now run out each week. Please no bath sheets, as they need to easily fit into a plastic grocery bag. Thank you! -Linda

Celebrating our students in November!

Individual Student Rewards

-That add up to whole school rewards-

WAY TO GO'S # 3,694

FEATHERS # 114

Whole Classroom rewards

FEATHER PARTIES

Thysell: Extra Recess

Romanov: Pajamas &

Stuffed animal

Duer: Cheese testing party

Whole School Reward

On Thursday, November 30, each classroom watched a holiday movie and enjoyed snacks because of all of the individual rewards earned during the month.

Looking to be more involved at NES?

NEHALEM SITE COUNCIL

Our Site Council team would love to have parent input by having an additional parent representative join NES's site-based management team. Join us to help set goals with the team to facilitate school improvement. We meet the second Tuesday each month after school from 2:45pm-3:30pm. Call Virginia Birkby for more information.

ROCKAWAY LIONS TAKING CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKET APPLICATIONS

Each year the Rockaway Lions Club provides Christmas food baskets for families in our community who are in need of holiday assistance. Requests to receive a food basket are available in the school office. Stop by for one or call and ask that one be sent home with your child. The completed request needs to be mailed and received (in Rockaway) no later than Thursday, December 7th. The Lions will deny your request if you are already scheduled to receive Christmas Holiday assistance through another organization. If you have any questions, call Ron with the Lions Club @ 503-355-2778 or 208-305-8886.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS and SUPPORT

Dear Parents,

Below are listed some of the school behavior expectations we are working on with your students in all areas to keep Nehalem Elementary a great place for learning. Thank you for your support in encouraging your students to meet these expectations.

Sincerely, The Positive Behavior Interventions and Support Team

Be Safe

- Walk facing forward quietly
- Keep hands, feet, and objects to self

Be Respectful

- Use kind words and actions

Be Responsible

- Follow school rules
- Do the right thing even when no one is looking

IDENTIFYING CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Districts are responsible to locate, evaluate, and serve children with special needs including:

*Children with disabilities (birth to 21): Special Education Director, Stacey Dills @ 503-355-3556.

*Children who speak a second language or those who live in a home where a second language is spoken. (kindergarten to 12th grade)

*Children who are talented and gifted. (kindergarten to 12th grade)

If you know any child who may need special services (this includes private and home school children), or if you have questions about what services can be provided, please contact the school of-

HOMEMADE FOODS

In keeping with health department guidelines, only food prepared in an inspected kitchen may be brought to school. This requirement includes all food sharing such as at school parties, events or activities and even birthday treats.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

NCRD/NEHALEM POOL CLOSED (for maintenance) CHRISTMAS BREAK

CLOSED: December 18, 2017

OPEN: January 2, 2018

SAVE THE DATE:

28TH ANNUAL POOL-A-THON FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018

** All proceeds go directly to the NCRD/NEHALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SWIM & WATER SAFETY PROGRAM**

EVERYBODY IS INVITED & ALL STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO

PARTICIPATE!!

Looking for Record Participation this Year!

Details revealed January 2018

NCRD Youth Program's Winter Break Schedule

Monday 12/18

Pajama Day!

Wear clean, appropriate pajamas and bring your favorite blanket/stuffed animal

We will watch a holiday movie in the performing arts center and have hot cocoa with our afternoon snack

Tuesday 12/19

Gingerbread house making!!

Bring your favorite candy to decorate your house. We will provide frosting, graham crackers and some candy.

Wednesday 12/20

Make it snow!

We will be making paper snowflakes to decorate the room with, and some to take home.

Thursday 12/21

Sugar Cookies!

Join us in the kitchen to bake/decorate cookies for Santa!

Friday 12/22

Grinch Day!

Wear Green as we watch How the Grinch Stole Christmas and make a gift for someone special.

******We are CLOSED Monday 12/25 and Tuesday 12/26******

Wednesday 12/27

Shine Bright!

Help us make stars with our new year's wishes on them to hang up around the room!

Thursday 12/28

Snowy Animals!

What types of animals live in snowy climates? Join us as we explore the wild world thru Animal Planet's Planet Earth Series. Followed by an animal craft project.

Friday 12/29

Chinese New Year!

We will make paper lanterns and dragons to celebrate the new year and learn about another culture.

We are open 7am-5pm-4 hours or less \$10 – 4 hours or more \$15-Grub Club Lunch Provided



Your child's instructional program in the Neah-Kah-Nie School District



The Neah-Kah-Nie School District is committed to ensuring each child makes significant academic progress. To do this, we continuously review information that tells us how each child is progressing. Look inside to see how this process can help your child.

Response to Intervention (RTI)

The approach described in this brochure is called Response to Intervention (RTI). This is a way of organizing instruction that has two purposes:

1. To identify children needing help in reading and prevent the development of serious learning problems; and
2. To identify children who, even when they get extra help, make very limited progress. Research has shown that these children sometimes have learning disabilities.

You may also request an evaluation at any time if you think your child may have a disability. No evaluation would take place without a conference with you, and your written consent.

If you have any questions about this information, please contact the school's principal.

How we determine who needs additional instruction

In the Neah-Kah-Nie School District, we review all elementary school students' progress three times a year. We track students' achievement in reading especially carefully.

In some cases, all students are given a short assessment. Other times, a team of professionals simply reviews existing academic, behavior, and attendance information. The teams use the data to decide which students are doing well in the standard classroom instruction, which students may need supplemental instruction, and which students may need individualized instruction.

When students receive supplemental small group or individualized instruction, we check their progress frequently. We use "decision rules" to look at the student's progress and decide if the child needs to have a different kind of supplemental instruction. The key idea is to make changes when instruction is not working for a child.

Parent participation

Parents are essential to children's success in school. When a child needs supplemental instruction, we will describe that instruction to you. We will also ask you to tell us about anything you think might affect your child's learning. For example, it is important for us to know if a child has missed a lot of school, experienced a trauma, or is having problems with friends at school. These types of problems may affect a student's progress, and if we know about them, we can design an intervention more effectively.

Parents frequently partner with the school to provide extra practice to develop skills. If you do want to provide extra support at home, you can work with the school to make yourself part of your child's program.

When children continue to have difficulty

The school will tell you whether your child begins to make sufficient progress, or if your child has continued difficulty. If you and the school have tried several interventions, and progress is still limited, you may be asked to give your consent for an evaluation. The purpose of such an evaluation is to determine what your child's educational needs are, and to consider whether he or she might have a learning disability.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, 12/1/17

Grade Day, NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, 12/5/17

Winter Concert @ 6:30—7:30 p.m. in the gym

(Students need to arrive @ 6:15 p.m. and go to their classroom)

Wednesday, 12/6/17

Report cards sent home

Monday, 12/11/17

School Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
District office

Tuesday, 12/12/17

- SITE Council Meeting, NES @ 2:45 p.m.
- Parent Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.
—NES Cafeteria

12/16/17 - 1/1/18

Winter Break

Tuesday, 1/2/18

A NOTE FROM YOUR NES

ATTENDANCE FAIRY

- Establish and stick to the basic routines (going to bed early, waking up on time, etc.) that will help your child develop the habit of on-time attendance.
- Talk to your child about why going to school every day is critical and important unless they are sick. If your child seems reluctant to go to school, find out why and work with the teacher, administrator or afterschool provider to get them excited about going to school.
- If your child is absent, work with the teacher to make sure she or he has an opportunity to learn and make up for the academics missed.

Attendance Tracker

Percentage of students at school daily!



(Comparing this year's monthly attendance with last years)

2017/2018		2016/2017	
September	96.80%	September	95.50%
October	95.6 %	October	95.50%
November	92.0 %	November	93.80%
December		December	93%
January		January	93.50%
February		February	94%
March		March	91.50%
April		April	93.30%
May		May	92.10%

Attendance

Students missing less than 17 days during the school year:

	2016/ 2017	<i>State Average</i>	2015/ 2016	<i>State Average</i>
Nehalem	80.5 %	<i>84.4 %</i>	78.4 %	<i>85.7 %</i>
Garibaldi	81.2 %	<i>84.4 %</i>	74.0 %	<i>85.7 %</i>
Middle School	95.0 %	<i>82.0 %</i>	85.6 %	<i>83.5 %</i>
High school	75.5 %	<i>72.2 %</i>	71.8 %	<i>72.6 %</i>



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Newsletter



December 2017



COME JOIN US!

December 12th

6:30pm - 7:30pm

NES Cafeteria

UPCOMING
Events

H O L I D A Y
SHOPPE



FUNDRAISING NEWS

**DUCT-TAPE
THE PRINCIPAL!**



Thanks to all who participated in our fall fundraiser! All students that sold 10 or more items got to duct tape the principal to the wall at the end of the school day to celebrate the sales. Principal Kristi Woika smiled as students duct taped her to the wall outside of the gym. Great job to all 25 students (and their parents) who qualified for the duct taping activity, for the fundraising efforts, and especially to Rorik Tierson for being the top seller in the entire school!

Holiday Shoppe is coming to Nehalem Elementary giving kids a chance to purchase little items for family members! Children will be able to shop next week 30 mins before school opens as well as one hour after school closes, **Dec 4th** thru **Dec 8th**. The Shoppe will also be open the evening of the Christmas Concert, **December 5th**. Children (families) can purchase pre-paid vouchers or pay with cash or check (checks made out to Nehalem Elementary Parent Council). Volunteers will be present to assist with children's shopping. If you have time to volunteer at the Shoppe, please contact Erin Derr. Look for additional information coming home with your child!

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VOLUNTEER
Needed!

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

COME BE A PART OF THIS FUN GROUP EFFORT!

New ideas, enthusiasm and support of our school is welcome here!



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