



THE NEHALEM NUGGET

NEWS BITS FOR NEHALEM FAMILIES



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

APRIL 2019

Important Dates

Friday 4/5/19	5:30 p.m.
Dinner and Movie Family Night	
Monday 4/8/2019	
School Board Meeting—6:30 pm	
Tuesday 4/9/2019	
Parent Council meeting - 6:30 pm	
April 8th-19th	
English Language Arts State Testing	
April 8th-13th, 2019	
National Volunteer Appreciation Week	
April 22, 2019	
NO SCHOOL	
Wednesday 5/8/2019	
Kindergarten Pre-Registration	
May 13th-24th	
Math State Testing	

State Testing Schedule for grades 3-5

Here are the class state testing dates. The dates are a window of dates where all students should begin the first day of testing, but students will finish at different rates. If you have any questions, please contact your student's teacher.

ELA: April 8th-19th

Math: May 13th—24th

COMING SOON

For all 3rd—5th grade parents please see attached Test Taking Tips!

KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION



Wednesday, May 9, 2019

Kindergarten pre-registration is for children who will be 5 years old by September 1, 2019. This will be at Nehalem Elementary School starting at 9:30 a.m. in the cafeteria.

- ◆ Required: Immunization records and birth certificate.
- ◆ Children will have an opportunity to meet Kindergarten staff and visit Kindergarten classrooms.
- ◆ Parents will meet with Shannon Mulcahy-Hill (office), Kristi Woika (principal), Linda Hershey (Family Resource Coordinator) and Michelle Aeder (Bus Barn) while children are with the Kindergarten staff.

Please notify Shannon at 503-355-3650 of any child you may know who will be 5 years old by 9/1/19 and will not be attending the pre-registration.

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS!

Individual Student Rewards
 -That add up to whole school rewards-

WAY TO GO'S # 2,728
FEATHERS # 111

Whole Classroom rewards

FEATHER PARTIES
Thysell: Extra Recess
Henderson- Arts and Crafts
Honts-Extra Recess
Romanov-Treasure Hunt

Whole School Reward
Teacher Choice game in Classroom

Seagull to Celebrate

James Daniels, Nick Jones, Jaxon Mills, Myles Jepson, Ximena Aleman, Samantha Rauda, Kinley Halverson, Addy Neahring, Alicia Garcia, Britton Holloway, Maddy Naranjo-Arias, Bianca Smith, Zoe Daniels, Alyssa Sheppler, Gabe Lyons, Shane Anderson, Ezra Hodge, Ty Scalabrin, Keira Nelson, Jayden Tuom and TIno Parker.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS and SUPPORTS

We are working on being respectful at school with adults and other students. Our counselor will be teaching lessons about respect. Staff will also be teaching how respect looks and sounds!

Also as a reminder, no toys at school including squishy toys unless student has teacher permission.

Talented and Gifted Testing (TAG)

Annual testing for all NKN 2nd grade and 5th grade students will happen in the spring to test for TAG. Parents will be notified if the assessment indicates that their child may qualify for TAG services. If you have any questions, you may contact the school counselor.

HOMEMADE TREATS

As a reminder, please NO homemade food for birthday celebrations or class parties. In keeping with health department guidelines, only food prepared in an inspected kitchen may be brought to school.

Thank



You

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK

April 8th—13th

Our school is very fortunate to have so many volunteers that donate their time and talents to our school. Volunteers truly do make a difference in the lives of others and give the best gift of all . . . Themselves. We will be sending our volunteers a thank you card with a token of our appreciation during the appreciation week.

PARENTS, KIDS & TESTING

It may be your child taking all the tests, but you're the one who needs to help him or her through it. Here are some test-taking tips to help you get your child ready.

NEHALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STATE TEST TAKING TIPS

Tip #1: Make attendance a priority, especially on days that you know standardized testing will be administered or there is a test in the classroom. Though it's important for your child to be in school as many days as possible, making sure he's there when the test is taken helps to ensure he won't lose more learning time because he has to make up a test during school.



Tip #2: Make a note of test days on the calendar. That way, both you and your child know what's coming and will be prepared.

Tip #3: Encourage your child. Reduce stress. Being afraid of your reaction can increase anxiety, which makes careless mistakes more likely.

Tip #4: Set a reasonable bedtime and stick to it. Many parents underestimate the importance of a rested mind and body. Tired children have difficulty focusing and are easily flustered by challenges.



Tip #5: Make sure your child has enough time to wake up fully before he has to go to school. Just as rest is important, so is having enough time to get her brain engaged and in gear. If her test is first thing in the morning, she can't afford to spend the first hour of school groggy and unfocused.

Tip #6: Provide a high-protein, healthy, low-sugary breakfast and lunch for your child. Kids learn better on full stomachs, but if their stomachs are full of sugary, heavy foods that will make them sleepy or slightly queasy, it's not much better than an empty stomach (eggs, cheese, nuts, whole grains, berries, protein).



Tip #7: Talk to your child about how the test went, what he or she did best, and what he or she might have done differently. Think of it as a mini-debriefing or brainstorming session to prepare for the next day. You can talk about test-taking strategies before, during, and after the testing weeks.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

A local Non-Profit Group "The Bear Den" has assistance for families that would like an Easter Basket for their child. If your family is interested, please call the school office so a form can be sent home with your child(ren).



NCRD YOUTH PROGRAMS:

Sports: Spring sports are in full swing. The participation throughout our community is outstanding and we want to thank you for continuous support.

Playcare: We want to thank everyone who shared their Spring Break with us. While some of the kids were having a blast at Forest to Sea Camp others were participating in a variety of activities, including: monster hunts, tracking dinosaurs, swimming, creating zen gardens, and building super forts! If you haven't already signed up, fill out a registration form so your kid(s) can join in on the fun. Please call for more information 855-444-6273.

POOL-A-THON HUGE SUCCESS!!

Bravo Pool-A-Thon Participants and benevolent donors. The 29th Annual Pool-A-Thon held February 16, 2019 was extremely prosperous. **\$20,550.00** has been raised so far with additional donations still trickling in. 2,474 lengths (35 miles) were swam by 52 enthusiastic swimmers! In addition, there were 12 student participants who were not able to swim, but were kind enough to solicit donations towards our cause.

This event raised funds to help keep the NCRD/ Nehalem Elementary School Swim Program afloat. All proceeds from the Pool-A-Thon go directly towards the School Swim Instruction & Water Safety Awareness Program which impacts the lives of all students, kindergarten through 5th grade, as well as the adaptive swim students of District #56.

Many thanks go to the 64 student participants. Because of their enthusiasm, hard work, and passion for swimming, the event was a SUPREME ACHIEVEMENT!!

To the parents & families of these kids, we are truly appreciative for the time and energy you gave to your child throughout the Pool-A-Thon. Thanks for being the backbone of the fundraiser. You all are WONDERFUL!!

An extended thank-you to all the generous donors. By pledging a swimmer, you have validated the importance of this vital program which enhances the lives of over 200 children. We are fortunate to have the support and encouragement of a caring community. The Legacy of the 89 year old Nehalem School Swim Program lives on!!!!

Sue Dindia-Gray, NCRD Aquatics

SPRING WEDNESDAY WATER PLAY IS BACK @ NCRD POOL

*******6 SESSIONS THIS SPRING***** BEGINS APRIL 10, 2019**

Free choice Water Fun.....With Games & Pool Equipment!!

6 Wednesdays: April 10, 17, 24, & May 1, 8, 15

2:35-----4:00 (PICK-UP @ POOL)

\$2.00 per session or use your swim pass

Eligible: Students in 1st thru 5th grades.

*****Attend 1 to 6 sessions or anything in-between*****

Completed & Signed permission form mandatory to participate & walk over to pool with NCRD Staff.

LOOK FOR INFORMATION FLYER/PERMISSION FORMS to come home with students April 1st thru 5th.

Additional forms will be available @ Nehalem Elementary, NCRD Pool, & NCRD Main Lobby

**POOL
NEWS!!**



Counselor's Corner

We are bringing back the kindness tree. Students are encouraged to do random acts of kindness either at school or home. If you see your child doing a random act of kindness, remind them to fill out a leaf for our kindness tree at school.

KINDNESS

If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 503-355-3657.

Ms. Jennifer NES School Counselor



**Nehalem
Elementary
Parent
Council**

April

Newsletter 2019



Come join us!

APRIL 9TH

6:30pm - 7:30pm
NES Cafeteria



We have an opening for someone to join us as the Secretary on our Board. We would love to have you join us!

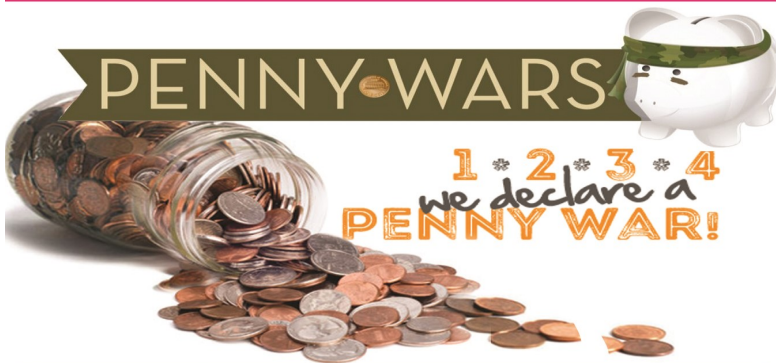
Email inquiries to:

NEHALEMPARENTCOUNCIL@GMAIL.COM

We had **SIXTY PAINTERS** join us last month for paint night!!! As a result, we were able to profit

\$250.00, and our Parent Council decided to donate this amount to the NES School Garden to assist with their upcoming spring & summer projects.

Paint Night



PENNY WARS

1 * 2 * 3 * 4
we declare a
PENNY WAR!

APRIL 8TH - 12TH

HALF of all the money collected will go toward the FIELD DAY BOUNCER and **HALF** will go toward SCHOOL SUPPLIES for next year

Add coins (**PENNIES, NICKELS, DIMES & QUARTERS**) to your class jar and the class with the highest total **WINS!!**
Donations for each class will be before school in the gym.
WINNING CLASS RECEIVES AN TREAT, PARTY, AND TROPHY



community rewards

Where shopping & giving unite

Fred Meyer

WE HAVE RECEIVED THIS QUARTER \$48.62

rewards

THANKS FOR YOUR ADDING US!

You Can Help Nehalem Elementary Parent Council earn **DONATIONS** just by shopping with your Fred Meyer Rewards Card. Our non-profit **#IL364**.

amazon smile

You shop. Amazon gives.

WE HAVE RECEIVED THIS QUARTER \$21.26

Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the council just for logging in and shopping. Same products, same prices, same ordering and delivery, but instead earn money for the Parent Council. Please add **smile.amazon.com** as a must do for your shopping.

SPRING CARNIVAL

12pm-3pm

Saturday, May 18th

Come Join The Fun!

- prizes
- concession stand and more
- games
- face painting
- outdoor activities

* depending on weather

\$1 PER TICKET OR \$20 FOR 25 TICKETS



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

COME BE A PART OF THIS FUN GROUP EFFORT!



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Nehalem Elementary Parent Council
Renae Scalabrin President



nehalemparentcouncil@gmail.com

Nehalem Elementary School Parent Survey 2018-19

The purpose of this survey is to gather information for our School Improvement Plan. This information will be useful in setting goals for our school. There is no right or wrong answers; we just need your honest opinion. Please complete before May 19, 2019. Thank you for taking your time to help in this task.

Site Council will provide an **EXTRA RECESS** to students if parents send a note to the school office with the student's name and a parent's signature that states the SURVEY WAS COMPLETED by May 19th!

This survey can also be done online. That is the best and easiest way for us and you

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QHPVB97>

Academics	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	I don't Know
1) I think what my child is learning is important.					
2) My child is challenged by his/her schoolwork.					
3) NES provides adequate information about the content standards for my child's grade.					
4) It is important for my child to meet state standards.					
5) I am satisfied with my child's progress in Reading.					
6) I am satisfied with my child's progress in Writing.					
7) I am satisfied with my child's progress in Math.					
8) I am satisfied with my child's progress in Science.					

Comments, questions, or concerns I have about Academics-

Safety	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	I don't know
9) I feel my child is safe at school.					
10) I feel my child's personal belongings are safe at school.					
11) Classroom rules and school rules are enforced fairly.					
12) Good student choices and behavior are rewarded.					
13) When it comes to discipline at this school, my child has been treated fairly.					
14) I feel comfortable that our school plans for and responds well to emergencies, weather, and other safety issues.					
15) NES building is structurally sound and well maintained and a safe place for my child.					

Comments, questions, or concerns I have about Safety-

School Climate	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	I don't Know
16) I can talk to my child's teacher easily.					
17) School personnel make me feel good about visiting the school.					
18) The teachers keep me informed about how my child is doing in school.					
19) We like this school.					
20) I feel comfortable bringing school related problems to the school personnel.					
21) Family Events (Family Nights, Music Programs, Book Fairs, etc.) help me feel involved at school.					
22) I received positive contact from teacher(s) about my child(ren).					

Comments, questions, or concerns I have about School climate-

Family Involvement	Yes	No
23) An adult in my family has volunteered for something at school.		
24) We attended the Winter Concert.		
25) We attended the Family Paint Night this fall..		
26) We attended the Dr. Seuss Tillaskate family night this winter.		
27) We attended (or will attend) the Spring Concert.		
28) We attended (or will attend) the Family Dinner and a Movie Night this spring.		
29) We attended the Book Fair.		

Barriers to my involvement at school are-

Comments, comments, or concerns I have about Family Involvement-(Please include any ideas for new family events you'd like to see NES host!)

What are some other ideas about how NES staff could share positive news at school-

I prefer to be contacted by email, phone calls or letter (circle one).