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# The Nehalem Nugget

*News bits for Nehalem Families*

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**BE SAFE****BE RESPECTFUL****BE RESPONSIBLE**

## EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

### For Late start or total school closure:

If a decision is made to delay or close school the district office follows these steps to notify parents:

- Post on FlashNews, this goes out to all Portland area TV stations as well as local radio stations. Here is a link to do sign up for this <http://flashalert.net/news.html?id=1123>.
- Post on District Facebook page—[Neah Kah Nie School District #56](#)
- Activate School Messenger - This system calls all families - It is important to keep your phone numbers up to date - Baring any internet issues this process should be completed by 6:15 a.m

### For Early Dismissal For Nehalem: (weather alerts, power outage etc.)

- If we have power, the office will activate School messenger to notify families that school is closing early and approximate times students will arrive home and the District Office will post on flashnews.
- Principal will post on NKN Facebook.
- IF no power, the office must use what parents provided for emergency school closure—please make sure this is up to date.
- Office will also send email to all families who have provided a valid email.

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**PLEASE** Listen to the automated message **INSTEAD** of calling schools as our school phone lines get full across the district

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### WINTER WEATHER

Winter Weather is here! Families: Please have your student wear their coat to school. When it is not raining, all recesses are outside. If your student needs a coat, please contact Linda Hershey, Family Resource Coordinator

### TIEMPO DE INVIERNO

Tiempo de Invierno ya está aquí! Familias: Por favor, pidan a su niño llevar una chaqueta a la escuela. Cuando no llueve, todos los recreos están fuera. Si su estudiante necesita un abrigo, por favor contactar con Linda Hershey, Coordinador de Recursos Familiares en el 503-355-3639.

Dear parents and guardians,

Every day, the office staff writes about 60 student bus passes, to change where they go after school. Over 1/3 of these happen after 2:15 pm. We are asking all of you to please notify the school office before 12:00 p.m. with any daily changes for where your child may go after school. We do understand emergencies happen, but what we are trying to reduce is parents calling at the busiest time in our office every day to change those plans. Thank you.

### NKN VOLUNTEER FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

Candy Nelson was honored at the December School Board meeting. We appreciate Candy volunteering at Nehalem Elementary School. Thank you, Candy!

### PARENT COUNCIL

Our meeting will be on Tuesday January 5th at 6:30. We'll be planning our Annual Valentine Social which is scheduled for Thursday February 11th from 5:30 to 7:00 in the cafeteria. Bring your families to make valentine cards and decorate a cookie with all the fixings! Watch for a flyer in early February! Happy New Year from Parent Council!

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS and SUPPORTS

PBIS is a school-wide system for student behavior. It stands for "Positive Behavior and Interventions Supports." In January, the PBIS team will focus on making sure all of the students know the rules. On January 4th, we had our NET training. The purpose of the NET training was to re-teach the school rules of "Be Safe. Be Respectful. Be Responsible." Students went to different locations and learned how these rules apply to all of the areas in the school and we added in a section at the pool.

### WEEK OF GIVING RESULTS

*It was nice to see our boxes being filled with more and MORE, families helping families – that's what "The Week of Giving" is FOR NES students and staff brought in:*

*281 Canned Foods, 211 Boxed Foods, collected \$ 302.85, 34 Sundries, 127 Books and TOYS to help out local families – All their girls and BOYS! NES students and staff are proud of all their efforts made this YEAR And proud to be a part of filling families with CHEER!*

All foods and sundries collected were donated to the North County Food Bank. All toys/books collected went to the Nehalem Secret Angels. Money collected was donated to the Tillamook County

**Family FUN NIGHT!**

**4 GREAT NIGHTS**  
With your kids and  
Nehalem Elementary

**FAMILY SWIM NIGHT JANUARY 30TH WATCH FOR**

**MOVIE NIGHT—APRIL 22**

**FAMILY YOGA NIGHT –MARCH 17**

**PAINTING WITH VINE GOGH-MAY 14**

### FAMILY SWIM @ THE POOL

We are planning a Family Swim @ the pool on **Saturday, 1/30/16, 6:00-7:30 p.m.** It is a **free** event for families. Please call the office @ 503-355-3650 by **Monday, 1/25/16** if your family is planning on attending. We will need to let the pool know how many people will be attending so they know how many lifeguards to schedule. Parents do need to attend with their children; no unaccompanied children please

### STATE TESTING INFORMATION

Required state testing for grades 3-5 will be this spring. Specific dates will be in the newsletter when testing gets closer so that parents know the actual dates their children will test. There is a new law this year that requires parents be notified of their right to opt-out their child from state testing, even though NES, the Neah-Kah-Nie School District and the Oregon Department of Education recommends that all students test. Please see our district website for more information at [www.nknsd.org](http://www.nknsd.org).

### SCIENCE AT NES

Did you know that NES is lucky enough to have our own "Science Teacher-in Residence?" Kim Miller has been planning science lessons for all classrooms for the last two school years. She delivers hands-on, fun science to all students each month at NES. Kim even hosts interactive science experiments for students each Tuesday morning in the gym before school so students get an extra dose of science before the bell rings. We are fortunate to have Kim Miller and lots of science here at NES!

**IMPORTANT DATES****Tuesday, 1/5/16**

\*Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.  
in the cafeteria

**Monday, 1/21/16**

\*Site Council Meeting @ 2:45 p.m.  
in the conference room

**Monday, 1/11/16**

\*School Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.  
at the District Office

**Monday, 1/18/16**

\*Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)

**Saturday, 1/30/16**

\*Family Swim Night @ 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
NCRD pool

**FECHAS IMPORTANTES****Martes, 01/5/16**

\* Reunión del Consejo de Padres @ 18:30  
en la cafeteria

**Lunes, 01/21/16**

\* Reunión del Consejo del Sitio @ 14:45  
en la sala de conferencias

**Lunes, 01/11/16**

\* Reunión de la Junta Escolar @ 18:30  
en la Oficina de Distrito

**Lunes, 01/18/16**

\* Martin Luther King, Jr. (NO HAY CLASES)

**Sábado, 1/30/16****COMMUNITY INFORMATION****POOL-A-THON #26**

NCRD/Nehalem's 26th annual **POOL-A-THON** is scheduled for Saturday, **February 20, 2016**.

This single event raises a substantial amount of the funds necessary to help keep the NCRD/NES Swim Program afloat! All proceeds from the **POOL-A-THON** go directly towards the Swim Instruction & Water Safety Awareness Program which impacts the lives of all students, Kindergarten through 5th grade, also includes the District #56 Adaptive Swim Program.

Pledge packets will be given out at school on **January 21, 2016**. They will be given only to those students who wish to participate in this valuable fundraiser.

If a student chooses not to swim in the event itself, he/she can still be a participant by taking direct donations towards the cause.

Based on last years favorable results (**\$14,055 raised!!!**), we are predicting a successful event!! If we can increase the participation level, we stand to earn even more.

**PLEASE TALK WITH YOUR CHILDREN, ENCOURAGE THEM TO TAKE PART IN THIS YEARS POOL-A-THON.**

As in the past, there will be a special party for all **POOL-A-THON** participants (one week after the event)...lunch, cake, and prizes for all!! In addition, there will even be Grand Prizes for the students who raise the largest totals in pledges and/or donations. The party concludes with a special FREE SWIM for all participants!!

Mark you calendar now for Saturday **FEBRUARY 20, 2016**.

Participants are asked to drop in any time between 9:00am and 1:00pm.

Information flyer will be sent home the week of January 11, 2016.

For more information contact: NCRD/Nehalem Pool (368-7121) or School Swim Instructor: Sue Dindia-Gray (368-6238).

**NCRD YOUTH PROGRAMS**

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF NCRD'S YOUTH PROGRAMS, call 503.368.7644, email info@ncrd.org, or visit us at 36155 9th St., Nehalem.

**NCRD Seeking Youth Program Volunteers – APPLY TODAY!**

**Become a Youth Program Volunteer!** Share your skills and talents with kids: arts, cooking, dance, science, music, or other abilities. Contact info above.

**NCRD KIDS PLAY CARE**

**Join NCRD Kids Play Care** for fun, affordable enrichment programs! Kids have a healthy snack and enrichment activities each day. Complimentary pick-up is provided by NCRD staff at the end of school days for children attending NES. Beginning January 4th, enrichment activities include:

Monday – Creative Movement

Tuesday – Gardening & Theater

Wednesday – Cooking & Theater

Thursday – Frisbee & Theater

Friday – Art & Storywriting/Mask Making

**Kids interested in theater will sign up to participate Tuesday through Thursday, and will prepare a spring performance! Theater sign up forms available at NCRD.**

**Play Care will be closed on Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.**

**Basic Play Care Information**

**Who:** Children age 5 through Grade 5

**When:** 2:35-5:00 pm Monday through Friday and school breaks, except select holidays

**Cost:** Payment is due monthly – credit card, cash or check accepted. Please inquire if interested in sliding scale/scholarship information.

Regular School Day 2:35-5:00 pm, Fee \$5

No School Day (except for holiday/weather closures) 7:00 am-5:00 pm, Fee \$15 (4 or more hours of care), \$10 (less than 4 hours of care)

**DHS Child Care Provider:** Are you eligible for child care benefits from DHS? NCRD Kids Play Care is a registered DHS provider.

Contact info above.

**NCRD WACKY WEDNESDAY**

**Need a safe place for your child on Wednesday morning for late start days?**

To support Late Start Wednesdays, NCRD provides 'Wacky Wednesday' enrichment activities and transitions kids to Nehalem Elementary School.

**When:** 7:15-8:50 am on Wednesdays

**Where:** NCRD Youth Room

**Cost: \$5 per day.** Payment is due in advance– credit card, cash or check accepted. Please inquire if interested in sliding scale/scholarship information. Contact info above.

**NCRD YOUTH SPORTS -- BASKETBALL LEAGUE BEGINS SATURDAY, JANUARY 23rd**

NCRD will host a Basketball League for boys and girls in elementary and middle school.

The 7-week Basketball League runs from Jan. 23 to Mar 5.

Includes 1 practice per week on Monday or Wednesday and games on Saturdays.

League fee: \$40. Equipment provided. Please inquire if interested in sliding scale/scholarship information.

Contact info above.

