The Polar Express . . .

North Greenville Elementary School

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January 26, 2017

Dear North Greenville Families,

The first semester of the school year has ended, and we are deep in to our learning for the year! Thank you for continuing to connect with your child's teacher about progress and keeping reading and math routines strong each night at home.

Progress reports will be emailed home on Friday, January 27. Teachers will report on selected power standards. These are standards of essential learning for their grade level and content area. Mastery is the goal, however you may see areas where students are near mastery or the skill has not yet been learned. Thank you for reviewing your child's progress report and finding ways to help them attain mastery before the end of the year.

We have several school events coming up in the next few weeks, and we hope you will attend! The PTO Polar Palooza, Gambler's Game, and Math and Literacy Night are all opportunities to join with others in our school family for some NGES fun! Mark your calendars for upcoming music programs as well!

Thank you to all the dads who attended Donuts for Dads this month! We had over 200 dads join us in two days and served around 500 donuts! It was wonderful to see so many dads with their children in the cafeteria.

I also wanted to make you aware that the Hortonville Area School District has been featured on the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction website for its work in providing mental health services in our schools. Check out the amazing video made by DPI after State Superintendent Dr. Tony Evers paid a visit to the district recently. LINK It makes us proud to be a Polar Bear!

Great things are happening at North Greenville Elementary School, where we put **Kids First, Always**!

~Mrs. Cochrane

Important Dates . . .

January

27 – 1st Semester Progress Reports Emailed Home

27 – Polar Bear Palooza Doors open at 5:30pm

28 – Gambler's DASH FOR CASH game, 7:05pm

February

2 – Family Math & Literacy Night (NGES), 6pm – 7pm

8 – Early Release, 12:50pm
Dress like a 100 year old (for 100th day of school)

20 – PTO Meeting 6:30pm

21 – Parent/Teacher Conferences (3:45 – 7pm)

PTO Book Fair (3:30 – 7:30pm)

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Parent/Teacher Conferences (8:00 – 11:30am)

PTO Book Fair (8:00 – 12:00pm)

Parent Teacher Conferences

It is time once again for Parent Teacher Conferences! Our second semester conferences will take place on February 21st, 23rd, and 24th. North Greenville Elementary School is once again using the online scheduling feature as part of Skyward Family Access. The conference scheduler will be available online Monday, January 30th!

As in first quarter, parents will schedule their conference time with each child's individual teacher, allowing for greater control of when you are able to meet at NGES. After logging onto Family Access and selecting your elementary student, you will be able to view all times the teacher is available. Please select the available time that works best for your schedule, and that will automatically be included on the teacher's roster.

You will receive one e-mail notice verifying your conference time, so please make note of the time and write it down as no additional reminders will be generated. If you are unable to access the system, or do not have Internet availability at home, please call the school office and they will assist you in scheduling a conference for your child.

Please note that children with multiple homes need to schedule *one conference* as teacher time is limited and availability for multiple conference times does not exist within the schedule. Please work with your child's other parent to ensure that only one time is used for each student.

If you have any additional questions or experience difficulty with this process, please contact the school office, and we will be happy to assist. Thank you for scheduling your child's conference in a timely manner! We look forward to meeting with you in February.

PROGRESS REPORTS –

Teachers at NGES have been working very hard completing assessments and preparing the Progress Report for the first semester. Something new for this cycle… ALL PROGRESS REPORTS WILL BE EMAILED HOME beginning on Friday, January 27, 2017. This is a new process and we do not know exactly how long it will take, but you should receive your child's/children's Progress Report by Monday evening, January 30, 2017, at the latest. Please contact the NGES office if you do not receive a Progress Report at that time.

Safety Planning and Procedures

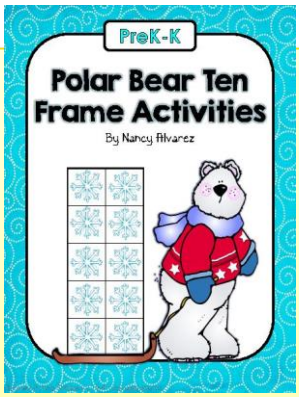
The HASD has several safety procedures to keep our schools safe places of learning. NGES uses safety language and procedures as guided by the district in addressing safety planning with our students.

- Fire Drills – As required by the state of Wisconsin, we conduct one school wide fire drill for each month school is in session. Drills take place at various times throughout the day and will at times include a visit from our fire department.
- Tornado Drills – Typically tornado drills take place in the spring during Wisconsin's Tornado Awareness week.
- Relocation Drill – Last year we began an annual practice for relocating to the GES. If we had a real fire or other emergency, we may have to relocate.
- Reunification – In the event it became necessary to relocate, reunification would take place at GES or another designated location. The process for parents would include direct pick up only by a parent and identification required to release your child to you. We hope to never need this procedure, but we thank you for your patience in the event that it is necessary. We take the job of getting all students safely home very serious.
- Soft Lockdown – A soft lockdown could occur at NGES when we need to make sure the hallways are clear. This has occurred most often due to a medical situation for students, staff, or visiting adults. Classes go to their classrooms and continue learning while first responders or other staff assist the person in need. Hallways are kept clear until the responders have left NGES.
- Hard Lockdown – NGES would go into hard lockdown in the event something concerning was happening in the area close to school. Typically, this would be initiated while working with local law enforcement. A hard lockdown differs from a soft lockdown in that instruction stops and students are kept quiet and secure in the school.
- School Counselor and E3 – School counselor and E3 licensed therapist services are available on site to meet the social-emotional needs of all our students. Student well-being and safety includes this area of mental health as well.

Each of the procedures listed above are items that are discussed and reviewed with staff. The staff at North Greenville Elementary School works very hard to provide opportunities to meet the needs of all learners each day and we have created a safe place for all students and families.

Polar Bear Family Literacy/Math Night

You Won't Want to Miss This Exciting Event



When: Thursday, February 2nd from 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Where: NGES Cafeteria
Who: Students, staff and families of NGES

There will be many math games and literacy experiences to enjoy with your families!!!

Please click on this LINK and complete this form if you are planning on attending!
This is your ticket to fun!

We are looking forward to seeing you!!

Spread the Love

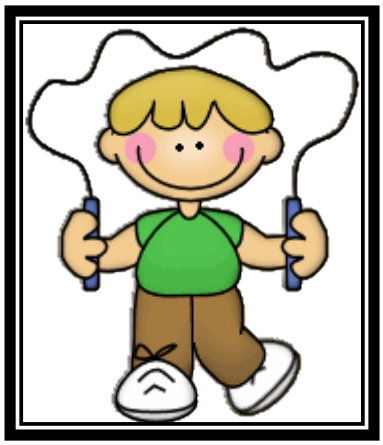
NGES Student Council is hosting a canned food drive the week of **February 6-10** as we highlight our PBIS character trait of **Caring!** Please consider donating to this worthy cause for the Dale Food Pantry. Food shelters don't just need food around the holidays, but all year round! Students can place food donations on the tables located in front of the computer lab on their way to class in the morning.

Submitted by: Student Council & Advisors,
Nicole Eidahl & Amanda Frenkel

If you need to alter your transportation plans on a given day (pick-up from school), please notify the school **prior** to 2:45pm.

Any requests after 2:45pm, student(s) will remain on the bus and must be picked up at their scheduled drop-off location.

NGES Music Programs:
♫ **Monday, March 13 6:30pm HHS aud. Grades 3&4**
♫ **Thursday, April 27 6:30pm HHS aud. Grades 1&2**
♫ **Friday, May 19 2:00pm NGES Kind. "Specials Showcase"**



3rd Annual NGES Polar Bear Palooza

This is a NGES PTO Sponsored Family Fun Night

Friday, January 27th

Entertainment Starts at 6:15PM

Admission is $1.00 per person or one can of non-perishable food item per person that will be donated to a local food pantry. There will be snacks and beverages provided by the PTO and entertainment featuring interactive comedy & juggling performed by Miller and Mike Show. We will be selling raffle tickets for you to win raffle baskets as well as silent auction items to bid on.

Hope to see everyone there!!!

Hortonville Area School District's 4K/5K Registration

HASD 5K Registration for the 2017-2018 School Year

To be eligible for enrollment in a 5K program, your child must be five years old prior to September 1, 2017. If your child is currently enrolled in one of the HASD 4K community sites, the school district will contact you by mail to confirm the 5K public school placement and to communicate any specific information regarding the transition process from 4K to 5K. If your eligible child does not attend a 4K program or attends at a 4K site not affiliated with the Hortonville district, his/her 5K registration will coincide with the 4K registration dates for 5K in 2017/18.

Children who meet the age eligibility for five-year-old kindergarten are encouraged to enroll in that program with typically developing peers. However, the individual needs of children will be considered and a determination will be made on a case-by-case basis regarding placement of a five year old in 4K.

HASD 4K Registration for the 2017-2018 School Year

Registration for HASD 4K for the 2017-2018 school year is now open. Your child must be four years old by September 1, 2017. Please note that there are no provisions for early entrance to HASD 4K and children can only attend one year in the HASD 4K program. Children do not need to be present for the parent to register them.

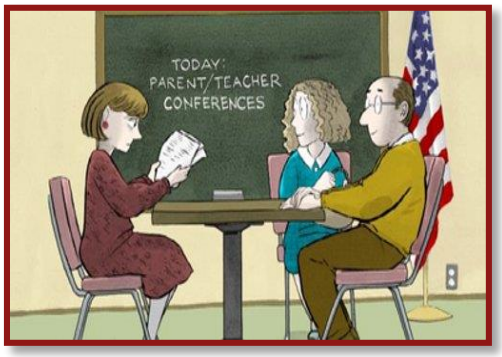
HASD 4K Daily Schedule

Morning Program: 8:00 A.M. – 11:05 A.M. (Mondays through Thursdays)
Afternoon Program:1 12:00 – 3:05 P.M. (Mondays through Thursdays)

The district will determine 4K placement at one of the following confirmed HASD sites:

St. Edwards
YMCA
Hillside
Play and Grow Learning Center
Hortonville Elementary School

General questions should be directed to Janice Zuege at (920)779-7911, or checkout the website.



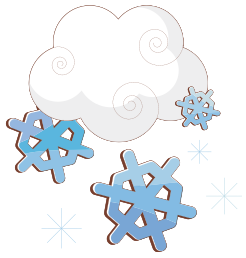
Parent/Teacher Conferences

Tuesday, February 21st, 3:45pm – 7:00pm
Thursday, February 23rd, 3:45pm – 7:00pm
Friday, February 24th, 8:00am – 11:30am

Sign-up for your selected time in Family Access after January 30th!!!
Times slots go quickly, be sure to sign up early!!!

Emergency School Closing Information . . .

In case of an emergency or bad weather, the Hortonville Area School District will send out a message to parents/guardians through Skylert. You may also listen to the following radio and television stations or go to the following websites for announcements concerning the closing of school.



Radio Stations:

WAPL (105.7 FM)
WCUB (980 or cubradio.com)
WHBY (1150 AM)
WIXX (101.1 FM)
WKSZ (95.9 FM or 959kissfm.com)
WLTU (92.1 FM)
WNAM (1280 AM)
WNCY (100.3 FM)
WNFL (1440 AM)
WOSH (1490 AM)
WOZZ (93.5 FM)
WPKR (99.5)
WROE (94.3 FM)
WSCO (1570 AM)
WTAQ (1360 AM)
WWWX (96.9 FM)
WVBO (103.9 FM)
WZBY (99.7 FM)
WZOR (94.7 FM)
WDUX (800 AM or 92.7 FM)

Television Stations:
channel 2
channel 5
channel 11
channel 26

Websites:
www.hasd.org
www.wbay.com

The NGES website is updated often. Please be sure to check it often for updated information!
www.hasd.org/schools/nges

Winter Recess Guideline –
Students go outside for recess in the winter if the "Real Feel" is zero or above. Please make sure all students are prepared for the cold, snowy weather!