
The Polar Express . . .

North Greenville Elementary School

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Dear North Greenville Families,

Thank you for a great first quarter! It went by quickly, and great things have been happening UP NORTH!

NGES had 97% of parents attend Parent Teacher Conferences in October! We appreciate the opportunity to partner with you in your child's learning adventure. At that time we shared information on a new reporting structure within the HASD.

Elementary progress reports will be reporting the essential standards for each grade level and subject area. This allows us to communicate to the specific goals we have been working on in school and let you know what teachers in the HASD have determined to be the critical standards at each level. In addition, we will only be sending out progress reports at semester time. The opportunity to meet with teachers exists near both of the other quarter breaks, and that face to face feedback is a valuable opportunity to hear of progress. We hope this new reporting tool meets your needs as a parent so that you can be an active participant in your child's education.

As we enter the upcoming holiday seasons, I am thankful to be the principal UP NORTH at NGES! Our children and families are a blessing and a gift to all the staff at NGES. Enjoy the season and time with your children!

~Mrs. Cochrane



FIRST QUARTER

November 16, 2015

Important Dates . . .

November

- 16 – NGES PTO 6:30 PM
- 25 – Dismissal at 12:50 PM
- 26, 27 – No School
Happy Thanksgiving!



December

- 9 – Dismissal at 12:50 PM
- 21 – NGES PTO 6:30 PM
- 23 – Dismissal at 12:50 PM
- December 24th – January 1st**
No School - Winter Break



January

- 4 – Classes Resume
 - 18 – NGES PTO 6:30 PM
 - 21 – End of 2nd Quarter
 - 22 – No School
 - 29 – Polar Palooza
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Fuel Up To Play 60

Dan Milliren and Bradley Leeman

At NGES, students kicked off their FUTP60 program with an hour filled with activity stations and healthy snacks. Each grade level participated in 10 different activity stations in the gym with parent volunteers leading each station. After 45 minutes of play, students took the last 15 minutes to refuel in the lunch room with bananas, string cheese, milk, and water. They also entered a drawing to win FUTP60 prizes and earned a Packers FUTP60 football card or sticker. They had a blast!!!



Greenville school raises money for woman battling cancer

North Greenville Elementary School students and staff have been participating in a fundraiser for breast cancer awareness, hosted by the school's PTO. The goal was to raise money for a local woman battling breast cancer.

Betsy Rachubinski, an NGES parent and licensed cosmetologist, offered to apply pink hair extensions and breast cancer awareness tattoos for students, staff and parents during lunch in exchange for a donation. The fundraiser has raised \$750.

Through October, participants were sporting their pink.

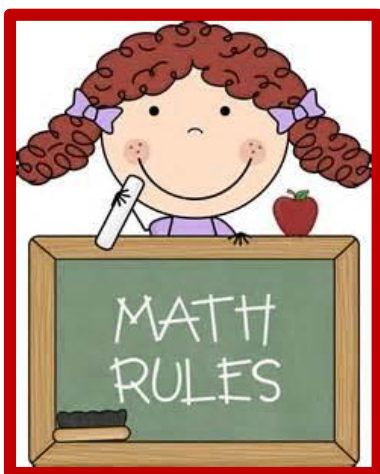


Article Published in the Post Crescent

NGES Artists

Julie Miller

A generous donation from the Greenville Civic Club made it possible to involve the entire student body in creating a mural to commemorate the first year of North Greenville Elementary School. Last school year, each student and staff member was asked to paint a four inch canvas to represent a special memory or place at NGES. The canvases were assembled into nine two foot squares and one smaller one and recently installed over the bookshelves in the library. There is also a binder available with charts of each panel showing which student artist painted each of the squares, along with the artists' inspirations for their work.



Math from Mrs. B.

Hey parents . . . if you are looking for suggestions on how to “Talk Math” with your children, then go to this link.

<http://talkingmathwithkids.com>

More parent information is provided on my website here:

<http://cms1.cms4schools.com/pro/faculty/admin/pages/detail.cfm?memberid=134&pageid=92608>

Thanks for making “Math Talk” important in your household!

Family Favorite Book?

Does your family have a favorite book that you love to read again and again? If so, please take a family photo holding the book for all to see! We will print the pictures and hang them in our school library. Please email your photo to jennifercook@hasd.org. Happy Reading!



SHELTERED REALITY Program

On Thursday, November 5th, NGES hosted a drumming group based out of Iowa called Sheltered Reality. They performed for an hour for students and returned that evening in the gym for a free community concert.

Sheltered Reality uses music and education as a way to reach out to audiences, motivating them to advocate for those in need, especially children and families. While they were here, their concepts were . . .

- 1) Take a chance - try new things!
- 2) Be legit - true to yourself!
- 3) Empathy - care for others!

Some NGES students and staff were given the opportunity to come forward and play with the group. Special thanks to the Keeping Arts in Education Grant for providing the funds to bring Sheltered Reality to HASD!

Submitted by: Mrs. Eidahl





COMMUNICATION PLAN –

This year we changed our communication plan, sending you bi-weekly communication in the form of the NGES Nuggets of News or the quarterly newsletter, The Polar Express. At the end of the year we will be asking for your feedback on how this plan met your needs. We hope that the increased frequency with shortened messages keeps you up-to-date but still allows you access to longer articles on occasion.

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.



Notes from Nurse Julie . . .

With the weather changing, please remember it can feel extra cold UP NORTH. The wind and snow will blow at NGES. Please be sure to send your child with a warm jacket, hat and gloves or mittens to school each day. Once the snow falls and temperatures fall below freezing, snow pants and boots will also be needed. Labelling your child's books, snow pants and other items brought or worn to school is a MUST!

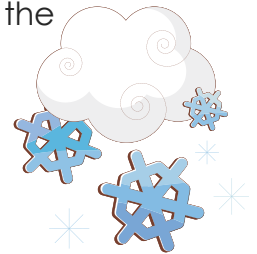
As a reminder, spills and accidents happen! It is always helpful to have a spare change of clothing at school. If you sent spare clothing earlier this school year, now is a great time to exchange the shorts and t-shirts with warmer clothes for winter.





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





. . . Community Bulletin Board

Hortonville Public Library, join us for Story Time on Fridays at 10:15am. There will be stories, crafts . . . and of course, FUN! No registration required. After Story Time and checking out the awesome library book selection, head out to the Story Walk Trail behind the library for more reading fun. Check out www.hortonvillelibrary.org for more information.

Snowmobile Safety Classes will be held at Hortonville High School in the Study Hall (Room G135) on December 3, 10 and 17th from 6:30pm - 9:00pm. Please call Bob Buchman at 779-6498 to register for the class before December 3, 2015.

Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, December 5th, 8:30am – 11:00am. Thompson Community Center, 820 W. College Avenue, Appleton. Sponsored by Lutheran Social Services, in partnership with The Civic League and Easter Seals Disability Services. Tickets for Adults and Children 4 and older are \$5. Children 3 and under are free. Ticket sales end 11/27/15. For more information, 920.225-1700

The Commercial Club of Hortonville 18th Annual “Gone, But Not Forgotten”

Remembrance Star Light Tree, Saturday, December 5th. At 12:30pm, Santa will ride around Hortonville with the Hortonville Fire Department. He will then go to Gilbert's Sentry Food on Main Street until 3:00pm. Treat bags will be provided by the Polar Bear Riders Snowmobile Club of Hortonville and apples by Thern's Apples. At 4:25pm those who would like can come to the Commercial Club for the lighting of the remembrance tree where the names of those being remembered will be read by the tree in front of the park if the weather permits. In case of inclement weather, the names will be read inside the Commercial Club building. For a \$10.00 donation, a star will be placed on a decorated tree in front of the Commercial Club Park. Proceeds from this event will benefit the playground and youth fund. For more information, contact Linda Lambie at 757.6889 or Bob Parker at 757.6056 or www.commercialclub.org.

Dial-A-Santa, Thursday, December 17th. Kids can call and talk to Santa Claus live at the North Pole. Tell Santa what's on your wish list! One Day Only! Phone Lines Open at 5:30pm, close at 8:00pm. Call: 993.4000. Ages 2 – 10 welcome to call in!