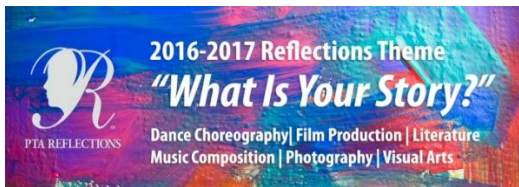




**NORTHWOOD PTA**  
 Empowering Our Children to Succeed



Upcoming Events



**Reflections Award ceremony**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Nov at 8.20am**  
**Multi-purpose room**



**Oral Health Assembly 18<sup>th</sup> Nov**  
**at 6.30pm**  
**Multi-Purpose room**



Quotes

Education is the most powerful  
 weapon we can use to change the  
 world.

Nelson Mandela

Education is not the learning of facts,  
 but the training of mind to think.

Albert Einstein

PTA President's Message

Hello Northwood families,

I would like to thank all the families for attending and making the Harvest Festival a successful event. It is a huge event and the parents who volunteered made the event viable and it wouldn't have been possible without their help and support.

A special thank you to all the Teachers and Staff for their participation in the Harvest Festival.

Please treasure the PTA Newsletter every month because it has the Spelling words for the Spelling Bee in January and the fun facts about two different Countries every month for the Quiz on the Multicultural event which will be in February.

Encourage your child to participate in all of these events.

This Newsletter is also available on the School's website  
<http://northwood.berryessa.k12.ca.us/PTA/index.html>

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at Afshaq@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support,

Afia Laiq



### Facts

- The country's official name is the Republic of the Philippines
- The country's Capital is Manila
- English and Filipino are the country's two officially recognized languages
- Rodrigo Duterte is the current President of Philippines
- The Philippines was the first country in Southeast Asia to gain independence after World War II, in 1946.
- The national symbol of the Philippines is the monkey-eating eagle. It is the largest of all eagles and was declared the national bird of the Philippines in 1995
- The Philippines has a population of more than 100 million people, which makes it the 12th most populous country in the world.
- The Philippines has the highest rate of discovery of new animal species with 16 new species of mammals discovered just in the last 10 years

### Fun Facts

- The Philippines are named after King Philip II of Spain.
- San Fernando, Philippines, is known as the "Christmas Capital of the Philippines" and is most famous for its parols (giant Christmas lanterns), which symbolize the star of Bethlehem and can rise 20 feet (6 m) in the air.
- The Philippines comprises of more than 7,000 islands.

### Famous People:

1. Emilio Aguinaldo- First President and independence leader
2. Manuel Luis Quezon-He was the second President of Philippines.

### Filipino Words

1. Hello- Kamusta
2. Thank you-Salamat
3. Welcome-Walang Anuman Po
4. Family-Pamilya
5. Good bye-Paalam

\*Students need to learn about the Flag of Philippines by themselves.



### Facts

- The official name of Vietnam is the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.
- Vietnam's Capital City is Hanoi
- President of Vietnam is Tran Dai Quang
- There are over 92 million people living in Vietnam (92,477,857) as of July 2013
- National day of Vietnam is September 2nd. They celebrate their independence from France.
- Vietnamese is the only official language in Vietnam. The Vietnamese language has six different tones.
- The country has a literacy level of 94%.
- Water buffalo is the national animal of Vietnam.

### Fun facts

- An estimated ten million motor bikes travel on the roads of Vietnam every day.
- Vietnam is the largest exporter of cashews in the world, and the second largest exporter of rice.
- Water puppetry is another popular art form that dates back as far as the 11th century.

### Famous people

1. Ho Chi Minh led the fight for independence against the French and the Japanese and he is the First President of Vietnam.
2. Ton Duc Thang was the second President of Vietnam.

### Vietnamese Words

1. Hello-Chao Ban
2. Thank You-Cam on Ban
3. Welcome-Hoan Nghenh
4. Family-Gia Dinh
5. Goodbye-Tam Biet

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### Kindergarten words

1. Stray
2. Make
3. Late
4. Page
5. Lamp

### First Grade words

1. Laugh
2. Every
3. Pretty
4. Think
5. Quiet

### Second Grade

1. Reflect
2. Balance
3. Famous
4. Branch
5. Bright

### Third Grade

1. Scream
2. Checked
3. Element
4. Value
5. Thought

### Fourth Grade

1. Cannon
2. Composite
3. Tropical
4. Absolute
5. Equator

### Fifth Grade

1. Technique
2. Extravagant
3. Approximate
4. Subscription
5. Articulate

\* Fourth & Fifth Grade students need to practice these words with their meanings.