Northwood Times

Pathway to the Future

February 2024

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Maricela Krickovic, Principal

"We believe that all students at Northwood will be prepared for the future in a safe, nurturing environment that inspires academic and social learning in order to be critical thinkers and active citizens in a global community."

February 2024	
7th	PTA Meeting
9th	PTA Movie Night
12th	School Site Council
16th	Pastries With the Principal
16th	Minimum Day
19th-23rd	No School- Presidents' Week
March 2024	
5th	Spring Pictures
8th-15th	Parent Teacher Conferences- Minimum Days
29th-April 5th	Spring Break

Principal's Message

Hello Northwood Families,

We are more than halfway through the school year. Earlier in February, we celebrated the 100th Day of school and for most of our 5th graders, they actually celebrated their 1,000th day of school. I cannot believe how quickly this school year is going. We have less than 80 school days left, and still so many events coming our way.

The month of February is Black History month. During this month, we celebrate the many contributions and achievements of African Americans. Some contributions include the inventions of pacemakers, touch-tone telephones, caller ID, gas masks, traffic signals, automatic elevator doors, carbon light filaments, and so many more. Did you know that the month of February was chosen because we celebrate the birthdays of both Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass this month? Both of these two people in history had a huge impact on the lives of African Americans.

For some of our Northwood families, the new year is just around the corner. On Saturday, February 10th, many of our families will be celebrating the Lunar New Year. Wishing you and your family a year of good luck and good fortune for 2024!

One hundred days of school are completed, and we have so much more to learn and do. I look forward to the continued partnership we have built to help each or our Northwood students achieve success and grow in all aspects.

Warm Regards,
Maricela Krickovic
Principal

Monthly Character Trait: Respect

Each month, we are looking to highlight a specific trait or characteristic, and this month, we are highlighting **Respect**. This is one of the 3 key expectations that we focus on as we continue our work as a PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports) school community. One of the ideas that we share with students is about the “Golden Rule,” and treating others the way that they would like to be treated. When we respect others and feel respected in return, it can foster positive relationships and a sense of belonging. Respect is not only demonstrated through actions, but also through words used. Through showing respect for others, we are also teaching our students about empathy and building a skill that will continue to grow with them throughout their lifetime.

Parents are welcome to stay and join during our Thursday Flag Salute, but we do kindly ask that parents remain in the designated areas. As soon as our Thursday morning Flag ends, we ask that any parents on campus exit through the Northwood Park exit and the gates will be closed as soon as our classes are dismissed back to their classrooms. Please note that during our rainy day Thursdays, we are not holding our morning flag meeting outside, but our students are still meeting with us via ZOOM in their classrooms.

February Spirit Days

2/1: Bear Day: 101 Days of School
2/8: Story Day: Mrs. Bobias will be reading “One” by Kathryn Otoshi
2/15: Rainbow Color: Students are invited to wear the color that is assigned to their grade level
- TK and Kinder: Purple
- 1st: Red
- 2nd: Blue
- 3rd: Orange
- 4th: Green
- 5th: Yellow

2/29: Leap Day

Book Fair

Our PTA is in the process of organizing a Scholastic Book Fair for the week of March 18th-March 22nd. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering, please visit the following link.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0845A4AA2CA7F4C34-47731862-spring

Because this event takes place during the school day, volunteers will need to submit a volunteer application. If you would like an application, please stop by our front office.

PTA Auditor

Our PTA is in need of an auditor. This person would audit the books and financial records of our PTA to determine their accuracy and present written reports on audits to the PTA board and the association for adoption. If you are interested in volunteering for this role, our would like more information, please contact our PTA at northwoodpta1@gmail.com.

Yearbook Cover Contest

We are inviting all Northwood Elementary School students to enter their drawing in our Yearbook Cover Contest. 2 Covers will be selected. One for the front (entries from 3rd to 5th) and the other for the back cover (entries from TK-2nd) of our yearbook. Those entries not selected for the covers will be displayed as Honorable Mentions inside the yearbook. Designs will be displayed inside the multi-purpose room for voting on March 1 st. All entries must be submitted to the classroom teacher by 2/26/2024.

Northwood Community Survey

We continue to invite our community to complete this survey, to help us build a more welcoming environment and to help build stronger relationships between the school and our families. Please complete the following survey to share your opinions. This survey is completely anonymous and we appreciate your feedback.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfNKHP3TPGpqlNFmawdfniom-qmPHe7mxYoUDYl6ekZpYkHWA/viewform?usp=sf_link

Enrollment

Our district enrollment portal has officially opened. When completing your enrollment forms, please make sure to upload all needed documents. Applications cannot be processed, until all documents are uploaded. Please note that when you are enrolling, families are enrolling into the Berryessa Union School District, and there is a chance that students may be overloaded to another school site, based on our enrollment.

A child will be admitted into TK for the 2023-2024 school year if they have their 5th birthday between September 2 and June 2. Current BUSD TK students do not have to re-enroll for kindergarten. TK students will be automatically enrolled for kindergarten at their resident home school. If your current TK school site is not your resident school, and you are interested in remaining at your current TK school site, you must complete an Intra District Transfer request.

It is recommended that families use the Online Enrollment System. If you need assistance completing your enrollment, you may contact Ms. Amanda Meng at (408) 923-1940 or ameng@busd.net.

Students residing outside Berryessa School District and attending Northwood on an inter-district transfer must apply each spring to their home district for a transfer into Berryessa Union School District for the following school year.

You may find more information regarding enrollment by visiting our district's enrollment page at:
https://www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/Departments/Education-Services/Enrollment-Information/index.html

Child Not Feeling Well and At-Home Antigen Testing

If your child is not feeling well, please contact our school office to let us know.

We strongly encourage our families to continue to use at-home antigen tests, especially if your child is experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms. When symptomatic, students should remain at home. If you need at-home antigen tests, to test your child, please stop by our school office.

Parents and Guardians may upload COVID-19 test results at, https://bit.ly/BUSDOTC. If your child tests positive, please make sure to complete the Student Event Google Form at https://bit.ly/BUSDStudentEventForm and inform Mrs. Krickovic as soon as possible (mkrickovic@busd.net), so that we may send you follow-up guidance. Positive results need to be uploaded, so that we can clear student absences.

Another resource that we have for our families is our Campus Clinic Community Testing at Morrill Middle School in the BYC. They have COVID-19 Community Testing on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at Morrill BYC from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm. They offer both PCR and Antigen testing.

Campus Clinic COVID Testing Registration Information:
BUSD Students may use this link to have your registration resent to you.
Community Members may use this link to register.

For Translation Assistance

For translation assistance, please call one of our District hotlines below:

Chinese, 408-923-1901
Spanish, 408-923-1902 Español
Vietnamese, 408-923-1903

請利用學區中文熱線電話
1-408-923-1901
會有人與您聯繫,為您翻譯資料上的重要內容

Si desea información en español, por favor llame a la línea de asistencia en español al 1-408-923-1902 y alguien le llamará para darle un resumen de este documento.

Xin gọi số hotline của khu học tại 1-408-923-1903 và sẽ có người giúp quý vị để hiểu những điều cốt yếu của văn kiện.

February
Respect

02/01 - Spirit Day – 101 Days of School – Today wear spots, dots or polka dots to celebrate the 101st day of school.

02/08-. Story Day - One by Kathryn Otoshi
Quiet Blue sometimes wishes he could be more sunny, bright or regal like his friends because bully Red picked on shy Blue. One unites all the colors and shows them how to stand up to Red and be counted.

02/15 - Spirit Day- Rainbow Color – Wear something in your grade level color.

TK/K – Purple	3rd- Orange
1st – Red	4th- Green
2nd- Blue	5th- Yellow

02/29- LEAP Day- Today is a special day. It only happens once every four years.
Team Building Day. Take your class outdoors, or stay inside, for some team building activities. Try a new game, or one of your old favorites. The main thing is to try your best, and don't give up while being respectful to all who participate.

Respect

What is Respect?

Respect is feeling that someone or something is important and acting in a way that demonstrates that. When you respect someone, you treat them kindly and use good manners. Sometimes it means doing things for them or listening to their instructions.

Why Teach Children about Respect?

Respect can be shown in many different settings like school, among friends or peers, on teams, at home, and in the community. Respect can look different in different settings.
A few examples are:

- **School**: not yelling at others, accepting differences, not saying unkind things, listening to others, not interrupting, cooperation, sharing, following rules, keeping safe and calm bodies, cleaning up after eating lunch or snack.
- **Friends/Peers**: playing well with others, including many people in play, problem-solving and resolving conflict in a helpful way, playing fair, not yelling at others, keeping safe hands and bodies.
- **Teams:** playing fair, listening to teammates and coaches, following the rules, good sportsmanship, talking out disagreements in a positive way.
- **Home:** helping around the house, being kind, listening to parents, cleaning up their own messes.
- **Community:** volunteering, not littering, helping others when needed, following community safety rules.

Respect and Mental Wellness

Children with good mental wellness feel loved, safe and secure in their environments. They also feel happy and positive about themselves most of the time. The sense of feeling cared for and accepted by family and peers can further positivity. Children who respect others are better able to find positive ways to problem solve and manage conflict. They understand there are different points of view and accept these differences.

Ways to help children foster respect at home

Teach children that no matter what a person's differences are, they have something special to bring to the community. It is important we respect people, even when they are different.

- Set appropriate boundaries
- Involve children in decision making
- Teach children to ask for things, not demand
- Model respect toward others
- Teach empathy
- Teach and model respectful communication

COPY PAPER DRIVE

- Collection DATES -
February 5-12

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND DONATION

WHAT WE NEED:

Suggested Donation Amount is $5 to $20

WE ARE COLLECTING PAPER FOR OUR CLASSROOMS

If you are unable to bring the paper, PTA will gladly accept donations via CASH/CHECK/ZELLE to purchase the paper

ZELLE to northwoodpta1@gmail.com
CHECK payable to - Northwood PTA

Don't forget to pick up your "Thank You Surprise" once you drop off your donations

- Drop-Off Location -

FRONT OFFICE

Made with PosterMyWall.com

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Drawings are due to your teacher by end of the school day on 2/26/2024

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All entries must follow these guidelines:

1. Size 8.5" x 11" sheet of paper
2. Use the paper vertically
3. No name on the drawing
4. Include the words "Northwood Elementary 2023-2024"
5. Original digital art is also accepted and must fit on an 8.5" by 11" page in vertical orientation.

********Late submissions will not be accepted********

Tips for a good entry:

1. Any art medium may be use -crayons, paint, pastels markers or color pencils). Cover should reflect what you love about being a student at Northwood School.
2. Your design must be in color. Avoid leaving the background blank or white to create a more visually appealing cover.
3. Keep what's important in the design (e.g. school name) away from the paper edges to avoid artwork being cut in the trim process – IMPORTANT!!
4. Double check your spelling!!!

All art work must be original, no copying or tracing. PTA reserves the right to disqualify an entry if the guidelines are not followed. **Drawings are due to your teacher by end of the school day on 2/26/2024**

Attach this form (filled out) to the back of your drawing and return it to your teacher or the front office)

Student's Name _____Grade_____

Teacher:_____ Questions? Email northwoodpta1@gmail.com

Drawings will be posted in the multi-purpose room, where each class will have a designated time to vote. Winner will be announced on Thursday 3/7 during Flag Salute.

THE BERRYESSA EDUCATION FOUNDATION IS HOSTING

BERRYESSA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SAN JOSE GIANTS

Berryessa Union School District Family Night at the Ballpark!

SAN JOSE GIANTS **VS** MODESTO NUTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2024

7:00 PM - MAIN GATES OPEN AT 6:00 PM

EXCITE BALLPARK

588 E ALMA AVENUE, SAN JOSE, CA 95123

USE CODE:
BERRYESSA

QUESTIONS?
JOSHJACOBS@SJGIANTS.COM
MAIN BOX OFFICE AT 408-297-1435

HTTPS://BIT.LY/BEFBALLPARKNIGHT2024

FUNDS RAISED WILL PROVIDE GRANTS TO DISTRICT TEACHERS TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND STUDENT LEARNING AND IMPROVE INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES

ELEMENTARY LUNCH MENU FEBRUARY 2024, BUSD

* = No Meat Item
Lunch Price FREE Milk $0.50 (if purchased separately) Adult Lunch $4.00. Lunch includes choice of entrée, salad bar and milk. The bolded entrée is the main entrée of the day. Secondary entrées listed are available in limited quantities. Menu subject to change without notice. *Advance Payment Make checks payable to: BUSD SNS. Indicate student's name and teacher on* check. For online prepayment, log on to: www.myschoolbucks.com
Our menus meet USDA requirements for calories, fat, saturated fat, whole grain-rich foods, and fruit/vegetable offerings. All grains are whole grain-rich. We do not serve or sell foods containing trans fat. To find out if your family may be eligible for CalFresh Food Stamps/SNAP) and other food programs, contact Second Harvest Food Bank: 1-800-984-3663

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 **CHEESEBURGER** Toasted Cheese Sandwich* Asian Chicken Salad *Apple Slices*	2 **BEEFY MAC** Mozzarella Bites *Craisins*
5 **PEPPERONI PIZZA SLICE** Personal Cheese Pizza* *Fruit Cup*	6 **CHICKEN NUGGETS W/ BISCUITS & HONEY** Pull-Apart Cheese Bread* *Applesauce Cup*	7 **TURKEY TACO POCKETS** Bean & Cheese Burrito* *Raisins*	8 **100% BEEF HOT DOG** Toasted Cheese Sandwich* *Apple Slices*	9 **BBQ CHICKEN DRUMSTICK W/ MASHED POTATOES & ROLL** Mozzarella Bites *Craisins*
12 **FRENCH BREAD CHEESE PIZZA** Turkey Pizza Pocket *Fruit Cup*	13 **POPCORN CHICKEN W/ OVEN FRIES** Pull-Apart Cheese Bread* *Applesauce Cup*	14 **BEEF TACO WRAP** Bean & Cheese Burrito* *Raisins*	15 **CHICKEN ALFREDO PASTA W/ PEAS** Toasted Cheese Sandwich* *Apple Slices*	16 **PEPPERONI STUFFED SANDWICH** Mozzarella Bites* *Craisins*
PRESIDENT'S WEEK BREAK				
26 **PERSONAL PEPPEORNI PIZZA** Personal Cheese Pizza* *Frozen Cup*	27 **CHICKEN & WAFFLE W/ SYRUP** Pull-Apart Cheese Bread* *Applesauce Cup*	28 **CHICKEN CORN DOG** Bean & Cheese Burrito* *Raisins*	29 **TURKEY HAM & CHEESE CROISSANT SANDWICH** Toasted Cheese Sandwich* *Apple Slices*	

SALAD BAR OFFERINGS (daily choices vary): Romaine, Coleslaw, Asian Cabbage Salad, Celery Sticks, Jicama, Cucumber Slices, Cherry Tomatoes, Beans, Potato Salad, Canned Corn, Apples, Orange Wedges, Bananas, Seasonal Fresh Fruit, Canned Fruit (in Juice or Light Syrup), Raisins, and Frozen 100% Juice Cup
NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM REQUIREMENT: A minimum of a ½ cup of fruit and/or vegetables must be selected as part of each school lunch.
FOOD ALLERGIES: A recognized medical authority must complete the form, Medical Statement to Request Special Meals and/or Accommodations, which are available from the School office, cafeteria, or Student Nutrition Services webpage. A description of the food allergy or intolerance is needed, along with suggested substitutions.
ON-CALLCAFETERIA WORK: Please contact Personnel at 923-1850 for more details.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

MEASURE A PARCEL TAX OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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Since 1855

As part of our obligation to the community to be accountable for the funds we get from the parcel tax, the Board of Trustees would like to invite you to apply for one of the vacant positions on the Measure A Parcel Tax Committee. The committee meets quarterly at the BUSD District Office. Applications and additional information can be obtained at the following district web-site location:

https://www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/Parents--Community/Community-Resources/Measure-A---Parcel-Tax-Waiver/index.html

The oversight committee ensures public funds are allocated in accordance with the original terms. The committee evaluates the Parcel Tax impact on students, classrooms, schools, a district.

VACANT POSITIONS:

Parent Representative for the *Piedmont Middle School Family* (Noble, Summerdale, Toyon, Vinci Park Elementary Schools, and Piedmont Middle School) – one (1) position

Parent Representative for the *Sierramont Middle School Family* (Cherrywood, Majestic Way, Ruskin Schools, and Sierramont Middle School) – one (1) position

Community Representative who must reside in the Berryessa Union School District Boundaries – one (1) position

Certificated/CTAB Representative current employee of Berryessa Union School District – one (1) position

Classified Representative current employee of Berryessa Union School District – one (1) position (Classified or Teamster)

Berryessa Union School District--Health Services

REMINDER FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE: KEEP ILL KIDS HOME

IF STUDENT SHOWS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING COVID-RELATED SYMPTOMS:
Fever/ chills, Cough, Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle or body aches, Headache, New loss of taste or smell, Sore throat, Nausea or vomiting, Diarrhea, Runny Nose + Congestion. ***(Runny nose by itself is NOT a symptom of COVID).***

Follow CDPH isolation guidelines. SCCOE strongly recommends doing a COVID test for students who are symptomatic. Student may Return: when fever free for 24 hrs. without the aid of medications AND without symptoms. Consider wearing a mask upon returning to school.

FEVER – Please keep your child out of school if with fever (100◦ or higher). He/she may return to school after **24 hours, fever-free without** the aid of medications.

COUGH– We expect that ome children will be at school with a lingering cough after recovering from an illness. *However, please keep your child out of school when the cough is severe enough to impact his/her ability to participate in school activities.*

VOMITING/DIARRHEA– Student cannot return **UNTIL THEY HAVE BEEN FREE OF VOMITING/DIARRHEA FOR 24 HOURS without aid of medication.**
DIARRHEA (CHILDCARE/PS): Stay home if a child's stool is likely to leak from the diaper, or if they are unlikely to make it to the toilet in time (if potty trained). If stool is bloody/black: seek medical attention.
If a student is in SPED, consult with the school nurse as needed to consider whether exclusion for 24 hours is necessary. *NOTE: 3+ cases in a class or 5+ in a school is an **outbreak & needs to be reported to the Public Health Dept. Notify school nurse, if outbreak is suspected, student may need to be excluded for 48 hrs.*

RUNNY NOSE – Do not send your child to school when there is constant nasal drainage that cannot be contained & is unable to focus in class. Colds usually last about 7 days. May return when feeling well.

LIVE HEAD LICE: Student may return when **there is no live lice** remaining in the hair. Parent or guardian must be able to confirm that lice treatment has started and that efforts are being taken to remove nits daily.

PINK EYE (including Eye/Ear irritation): Pink eye symptoms include red, burning, watery, itchy eyes. May return 1) once symptoms are gone, 2) 24 hours after treatment has begun, or 3) a doctor's note that states the student is not contagious. Stay home and seek medical attention for difficulty seeing or hearing, an eye injury, or pain that is not tolerable. Frequent handwashing is highly recommended!

RASHES - Any new unidentified rash can be potentially contagious, (especially, if worsening, causing pain, has blisters or is not healing) requires a doctor's note upon return.
The doctor must state: (1) the rash is not contagious, (2) when it is safe for the child to return to school, and (3) treatment plan: medications prescribed, if needed. **NOTE: We CANNOT diagnose rashes.**
NOTE: The school may exclude students who may have a possible contagious condition, by law.

OVERALL, NOT FEELING WELL: Stay home if any new illness or symptom prevents a child from participating meaningfully in class and other routines. *(Examples include: bad cough, difficulty breathing or trouble catching their breath, or wheezing when not controlled by medication (i.e., Albuterol).*

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