

"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."

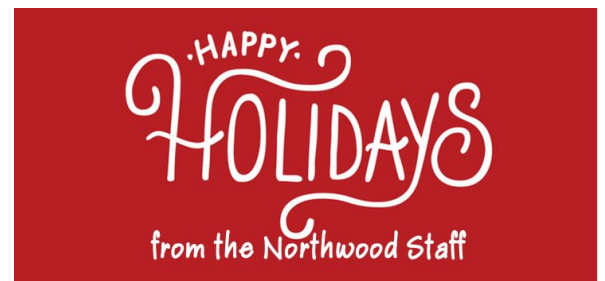


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December 2019		January 2020	
2nd-6th	Book Fair	1st	New Year's Day
3rd	Make Up Picture Day	9th	First Thursday Flag Salute
5th	Flag Salute/Multicultural Day	20th	MLK Jr. Birthday - NO SCHOOL
12th	Spelling Bee		
20th	Minimum Day		
23rd -Jan 3	Holiday Break - NO SCHOOL		

MINIMUM DAY
DECEMBER 20TH, 2019
1:00 P.M. DISMISSAL
SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!



Principal's Message

What a wonderful year it's been! December break is almost here and it's a well-deserved break for our students and teachers. It is a time to spend quality time with loved ones and many travel near and far to be with family and friends. While it is important for children to have fun during the break, it is also important that they stay active and engaged with the world around them. Please try to limit their screen time over the holiday break and offer them alternative activities like reading, an art project, or helping around the house. It's also a good idea to keep them on a routine and keeping to a regular schedule so they are not too tired. This will help children build character and help them transition back to school when we return in January. I also want to urge families to spend some quality time together. Whether its taking a drive up to the snow to go sledding, or seeing a movie together as a family. These moments create memories that our children will cherish many years from now.

Happy Holidays,
Dr. Derrick

Scripps Spelling Bee Comes to Northwood

Exciting News! Northwood has enrolled in the Scripps National Spelling Bee for 2020. We will be hosting the first round on Thursday, December 12, 2019. The second round will be held in January. **THE SPELLING BEE IS OPTIONAL and will not affect students' grades.** Only students in grades 3-5 are eligible to participate.



The test will be administered in the Multipurpose Room. **Due to space limitations, parents will not be allowed in the room while the test is being administered.** Permission slips will be going home with students this week. In order to participate, students must bring the completed permission slip. Regardless of the students' grade enrolled in, it will be only the top scoring students continuing on to the next round. Have your child bring their signed permission slip to the Multipurpose Room after school on December 12th.

No Spelling Lists will be provided prior to the first round of the Bee.

Student Attendance and Chronic Absenteeism

As the weather gets colder and we spend more time indoors, we often see an increase in cases of cold and flu. While we never want students to come to school sick it is important that students miss as little school as possible. Student attendance is an important indicator and chronic absenteeism can cause students to fall behind and miss out on important learning experiences. Please review the following facts below and together we can work to make sure students are in school and learning as many days as possible.

- Absenteeism and its ill effects start early. One in 10 kindergarten and first grade students are chronically absent.
- Poor attendance can influence whether children read proficiently by the end of third grade or get held back.
- By 6th grade, chronic absence becomes a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school.
- Research shows that missing 10 percent of the school year, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. That's just an average of two days a month and that's known as chronic absenteeism.

Together we can help our students stay healthy and at school learning.

HONOR ROLL

Fourth Grade

Mrs. Sundaram

Principal's Honor Roll

C.Cabero
N.Laskhmikanth
P.Manglik
R.Munj
J.Nguyen

Honor Roll

A.Borkar
M.Chappavarapu
M.De la Vega
A.Maheshwari
M.Pham
R. Poosarla
S.Trong
L.Rajeshkumar
P.Roman
V.Subramanian
K.Sur
S.Yum

Academic Achievement

K.Hang
L.Kalikaya
M.Virendhar

Fifth Grade

Mrs. Kramer

Principal's Honor Roll

B.Ho
Y.Sharma

Honor Roll

N.Finuliar
E.Hion
A.Jagadeesh
D.Kudikala
P. Le
C. Li
H. Loi
N. Patel
D.Shah
K.Shem

Academic Achievement

F.Dobes
A.Guerrero
D.Tran

Mrs. Teixeira

Principal's Honor Roll

A.Bui
T.Nguyen
S.Pol
A.Samal

Honor Roll

H.Al Jada
A.Balasubramanian
A.Chavali
E.Francisco
K.Karthik
H.Mandadapu
H.Pendyal
C.Tang

Academic Achievement

A.Castillo
B.Ho
S. Singh
N.Venkataraman

Mr. Vaughn

Principal's Honor Roll

N.Lomax
V.Villavicencio

Honor Roll

S.Avecilla
A.Chua
R.Gupta
T.C Huang
A.Mahapatra
H.K Mai
S.Nair
A.Patil
S.Rajput
R.Sriram
T.Wong

Mrs. Kim

Principal's Honor Roll

G.Karthick
S.Nguyen
A.Wong
Z.Zhou

Honor Roll

D. Aiely
S.Bachkethi
D.Bharadwaj
J.Giron
M.Mahesh
C.Nguyen
A.Prajapati

Mrs. Boyd

Principal's Honor Roll

T.T Chiu
J. Neema
N.Nguyen
D.Saini

Honor Roll

R.Benlamil
G.Fernandez
K.Hoang
M.Jimenez
N.Loi
R.Luu
Y.Ran
A.Tran
C.Vu

Winter Break Fun

Keep the family activities free and fun with some at-home and do-it-yourself style craft projects that can be catered to family members of all ages. Enjoy making paper snowflakes, baking cookies, building a marshmallow snowman, and reading your favorite books to loved ones. You can have family fun with items you probably already have. Looking for something to read, here's a list of some warm winter titles:

1. Dream Snow (Eric Carle)
2. The Snowy Day (Ezra Jack Keats)
3. Who's That Knocking on Christmas Eve (Jan Brett)
4. It's Hanukkah! (Jeanne Modesitt)
5. The Polar Express (Chris Van Allsburg)
6. Gingerbread Baby (Jan Brett)
7. The Mitten (Jan Brett)
8. Zigzak!: A Magical Hanukkah Night (Eric A. Kimmel)
9. The Story of Snow: The Science of Winter's Wonder (Mark Cassino)
10. Seven Candles for Kwanzaa (Andrea Davis Pinkney)
11. The Last Holiday Concert (Andrew Clements)



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