

"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."

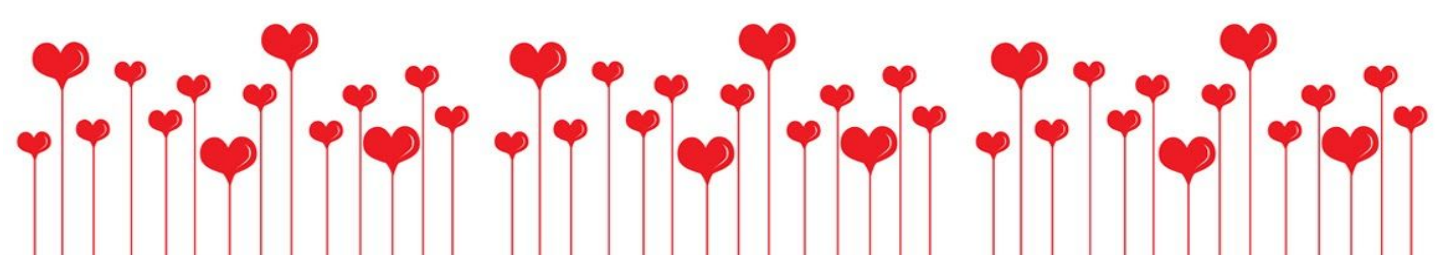


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February 2020		March 2020	
6th	First Thursday Flag Salute	5th	Dr. Seuss Day
7th	Yearbook Voting in Multi	5th	First Thursday Flag Salute
10th-14th	Friendship Week	5th	Mismatch Day
14th	Valentines Day-Minimum Day	5th	4th & 5th Orchestra Concert
17th - 21st	Presidents Break	13th-20th	Conference Week-Minimum Day
27th	PTA STEM Night	17th	St. Patrick's Day



Minimum Day February 14th
 1:00 p.m. Dismissal
 Have a great Break!

Principal's Message

February is the shortest month of the year, but there's always so much going on. There's so much to celebrate with Valentine's Day as well as President's Week coming up. Finally, we celebrate Black History Month by learning about the special contributions of African-Americans. This month we explore the life of George Washington Carver, a brilliant scientist and inventor. I also want to remind everyone that we are taking precautions here against the flu virus and keeping updated on the developments with the coronavirus outbreak. We are following the recommendations from our County Health Department to make sure that we are keeping our students and community safe. Our teachers are also taking extra precautions to keep their classrooms clean and healthy. Thank you for being engaged and concerned as we continue to strive to keep our school environment safe for all students. .

Warmest regards,

Dr. Derrick

NORTHWOOD IS STILL HIRING!!!

Do you have a flexible schedule? Are you interested in helping our school and keeping students safe?

We are looking for applicants to fill the following positions:

Noon Duties: supervises during our lunch hours of 11:15am to 12:45pm

Kindergarten Instructional Associate: provides instructional support for students in Kindergarten classes.

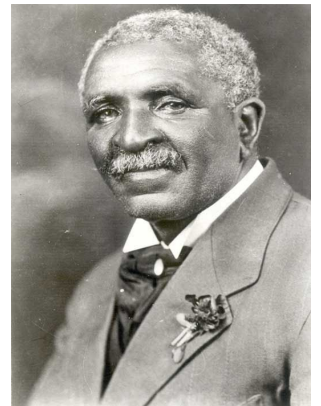
If you are interested or have any questions, please see Holly Broker in the front office.

Position details can be found at edjoin.org
Search under Berryessa for District Job Opportunities

Celebrating Black History Month:

George Washington Carver (1861-1943)

George Washington Carver was an agricultural scientist and inventor who developed hundreds of products using peanuts (though not peanut butter, as is often claimed), sweet potatoes and soybeans. Born an African American slave a year before slavery was outlawed, Carver left home at a young age to pursue education and would eventually earn a master's degree in agricultural science from Iowa State University. He would go on to teach and conduct research at Tuskegee University for decades, and soon after his death his childhood home would be named a national monument — the first of its kind to honor an African American.



2020 YEAR OF THE RAT

The Rat is the first of all zodiac animals. According to one myth, the Jade Emperor said the order would be decided by the order in which they arrived to his party. The Rat tricked the Ox into giving him a ride. Then, just as they arrived at the finish line, Rat jumped down and landed ahead of Ox, becoming first.

The Rat is also associated with the Earthly Branch (地支—dì zhī) Zi (子) and the midnight hours. In the terms of yin and yang (阴阳—yīn yáng), the Rat is yang and represents the beginning of a new day.

In Chinese culture, rats were seen as a sign of wealth and surplus. Because of their reproduction rate, married couples also prayed to them for children.



President's Day Fun Facts

In honor of President's Day we've put together some fun facts about our nation's leaders.

- John Adams died on the same day as Thomas Jefferson, July 4th, 1826. This day was also the 50th anniversary of the approval of the Declaration of Independence!
- Thomas Jefferson was also an accomplished architect. He designed his famous home at Monticello as well as buildings for the University of Virginia.
- James Madison was the shortest president at 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighed 100 pounds. Abraham Lincoln was the tallest president at 6 feet 4 inches tall (Lyndon B. Johnson was also 6' 4").
- Abraham Lincoln often stored things like letters and documents in his tall stove-piped hat.
- Franklin D. Roosevelt met President Grover Cleveland when he was five years old. Cleveland said "I am making a wish for you. It is that you may never become president of the United States".
- Franklin D. Roosevelt was the first president to appear on television during a 1939 broadcast from the World's Fair.
- At 42 years, 10 months, 18 days old Teddy Roosevelt was the youngest man to hold the office of president. Ronald Reagan was the oldest at 69 years 11 months. John F. Kennedy was the youngest to be elected president.
- Teddy Roosevelt was blind in his left eye due to an injury in a boxing match.
- John F. Kennedy was the first president who was a Boy Scout.
- Woodrow Wilson was buried at the Washington National Cathedral. He is the only president buried in Washington D.C.
- Barack Obama won a Grammy Award in 2006 for his voice on the audio book Dreams From My Father.
- After working at a Baskin-Robbins as a teen, President Obama no longer likes ice cream. Bummer!
- Bill Clinton enjoys playing the saxophone and was a member of a band called "Three Blind Mice" in high school.
- Martin Van Buren was the first president to be born as a citizen of the United States. The presidents before him were born as British subjects.
- William Henry Harrison was the 9th president. His grandson, Benjamin Harrison, was the 23rd president.
- John Tyler had 15 children. The White House must have been hopping!
- James K. Polk was the first president to have his photograph taken while in office.



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