

"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."



Pathway to the Future

NORTHWOOD TIMES

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March 2020		April 2020	
5th	Dr. Seuss Day	2nd	First Thursday Flag Salute
5th	4th & 5th Orchestra Concert	2nd	Sports Day
5th	Mismatch Day	3rd	Spring Picture Day
12th	First Thursday Flag Salute	10th	Good Friday (NO SCHOOL)
13th-20th	Conference Week-Minimum Day	10th-17th	Spring Break
17th	St. Patrick's Day		
23-27th	Book Fair		
26th	Last day to buy BEF raffle tickets		

Parent Teacher Conferences

Friday, March 13th through Friday March 20th, 2020

ALL Students will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m. Please make arrangements to have your child picked up promptly after school.

Principal's Message

March is a crucial time of the school year for students to build the skills they will need to succeed in the next grade level and on our end-of-the-year testing. In addition, teachers will be holding conferences with parents to discuss our students' progress. March is also **National Health Awareness Month** which is a great reminder how important it is to keep our kids healthy and ready to learn everyday. This is especially timely as we are all thinking about how to keep our kids safe during the current outbreak of coronavirus. While the risk remains low in our area we continue to take precautions and encourage our students and families to stay healthy. I have included our Superintendent's update in our newsletter this month, but I encourage you to also check our school district website as well as the Santa Clara County Office of Education for updates. At this time, school remains a healthy and productive environment for children to be and we want our students to continue learning and developing their academic and social skills. It is important to work together to teach our kids healthy habits that will help them make good choices throughout their life. Together we can help prepare our students for a long and healthy life.

Warmest Regards,

Dr. Derrick

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

St. Patrick's Day is an annual feast day celebrating the patron saint the day is named after. St. Patrick's Day is the national holiday of Ireland and is usually celebrated on **Tuesday, March 17**. St. Patrick's Day has become a popular holiday and is celebrated with parades and festivals in cities across the United States. People wear green and eat corned beef and cabbage. **For Northwood Students St. Patrick's Day will be a free dress day and all students are encouraged to wear green if they wish.**



Dress Code Reminder

Please remember that we do practice common dress for students at Northwood. Dress code contributes to an equitable learning environment and limits distraction. Below is a helpful reminder for your review.



Shirts	<u>Polo Shirts</u> -Short or long sleeve -Any Color gray or white -No stripes, patterns, logos, words or images	Tights/ Leggings/ Socks	-Could be worn with shorts skirts, skorts or jumpers -Solid black, gray, navy/ dark blue, or white -No stripes, patterns, logos, words, or images
Bottoms	<u>Pants/Shorts/Skirts</u> -Khaki, black, or navy/dark blue pants or jeans -No athletic gear, basketball shorts/sweats -Skirts and shorts must be fingertip length or lower.	Accessories	-Dangly earrings and necklaces can get caught and cause injury. -Leave heirlooms or valuable accessories at home. -No headbands with ears, crowns, or tiaras, or other distracting head ware.
Outerwear		<u>Sweatshirts/Hoodies</u> -Solid or combination of up to 3 solid colors -No stripes, patterns, logos, words, or images <u>Jackets</u> -Any color or pattern. -No logos, words, or images.	

BEF RAFFLE TICKETS

Northwood is working with the Berryessa Education Foundation to participate in selling raffle tickets for the "Raffle to Make a Difference" to be held on Saturday, March 28th at 11:00 am in the boardroom at 1376 Piedmont Road. (You do not have to be present to win.)



Each \$4.00 raffle ticket gives you the opportunity to win one of many prizes and to help raise funds. Half of each \$4.00 ticket sold will raise funds that will be made available for our school. Our goal is to sell 2000 tickets and make \$4000 available for our classrooms needs. Please help our school by purchasing tickets and to give you chances to win!

Prizes include: \$1000 cash prize!, Four Disneyland Three Day Park Hopper Tickets, Nintendo Switch Bundle, Southwest gift cards, and many other prizes.

The Berryessa Education Foundation was created in 1992 to help support Berryessa teachers in the classroom. Since 1992 they have given over \$300,000 to make a difference for Berryessa students. Half of all ticket sales will be used to help the Foundation continue to provide grants to Berryessa teachers.



Dear Berryessa community,

We would like to provide you with an update on the Coronavirus issue, now being referred to as COVID-19.

Please know that it is our top priority as a school district to keep our students and staff healthy and safe. We are working very closely with the Santa Clara County Public Health Department and the Santa Clara County Office of Education to stay on top of this issue which is constantly evolving. On March 2, 2020, a county-wide meeting was held for superintendents to provide the latest information regarding the Coronavirus.

At this time, the general guidance that is being received is focused on better hygiene to prevent the spreading of disease. Additionally, individuals who are ill should stay at home. Currently, we will not require a doctor's note if you need to stay home due to illness.

Please note that at this time the Santa Clara County Public Health Department has not directed any school sites in our county to be closed. This determination would be made at the direction of the Santa Clara County Public Health Department. All schools in California are required to have Emergency Safety Plans that address emergency situations (including pandemic flu) and articulate protocols and roles of staff. Our District leadership team is diligently preparing for any emergencies that may occur in the future.

From a school district operations perspective, we are taking several measures to address the current situation:

Our facilities team is making sure we have sufficient supplies of anti-bacterial soap, hand sanitizer, tissues, etc.

We are also implementing fog disinfectant cleaning procedures in large common areas. We are working closely with our custodial staff to enhance cleaning procedures and are providing on-going training to help improve awareness.

Additionally, we are working to educate our students about proper hygiene and how to prevent the spreading of disease. Please reinforce the importance of handwashing and hygiene at home.

Given the growth of the virus, any families traveling internationally, please contact the District Office for clarification regarding their return to school. We will work with the Santa Clara County Public Health Department for guidance.

We would like you to know that we understand your concerns and that you have our commitment to make the best decisions we can to keep our students, families and staff safe. As this situation evolves, we will update you on any changes in school policies or operations immediately.

Here is a [link](#) to the Santa Clara County Public Health Department for the latest information.

Our District has created an [information page](#) on our website with all of the most important links and resources for your reference. Please note that translated materials will be available there soon.

Thank you for your collaboration and support.

Sincerely,
Dr. Roxane Fuentes

For Translation Assistance

Please call the district hotline:

1-408-923-1901 (Chinese)

1-408-923-1902 (Spanish)

1-408-923-1903 (Vietnamese)

An office assistant will get in touch with you to deliver the translation of the document.

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會有人與您聯繫,為您翻譯資料上的重要內容

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contacto para darle la información esencial del
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