

# Northwood Times



Pathway to the Future

#### January 2023

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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."

January 2023					
16th No School- Martin Luther King Jr. Day					
26th International Day					
	February 2023				
10th	Movie Night				
17th	Minimum Day				
20th-24th	No School- Presidents' Week				

#### Principal's Message

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had a wonderful and restful break. It has been great getting to hear from the students about some of the new memories that they made during the break.

As the new year begins, many of us make New Year's resolutions and some of us come up with New Year's Intentions. I would like to share one of the New Year Intentions that I have made, which is to get to know more of our students and their families. I truly enjoy hearing all the stories that your children share and about the wonderful experiences that they have both at home and school.

For some of our Northwood families, the new year is just around the corner. On Sunday, January 22nd, 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 2023!

I would like to say thank you for everything you all did to help bring success to our students and school in 2022, and I hope to continue working with all of you as partners in 2023!

Warmest Regards, Mrs. Maricela Krickovic

#### **Thursday Flag Salute and Social Awareness Month**

Each month, we are looking to highlight a specific trait or characteristic, and this month, we are highlighting **Social Awareness.** When we look at social awareness, we think about how we look at other's perspectives and how we empathize with others. This skill helps us in building positive relationships and also helps us in

making responsible decisions. In our Thursday Flag Salute meeting this week, we talked about ways that we can practice our social awareness skills as a school community. Below are some examples:

**Being a good listener:** When listening to another person, it is important to look at the person. Also, it is important to observe others' body language as they are speaking and receiving messages.

**Emphasizing with others:** Understanding that everyone is different and that everyone experiences things differently. This skill also helps us show concern for the feelings of others, and helps us create a culture where we care about and are motivated to help contribute to the well-being of others.

**Embracing cultures and our diverse community**: What are we doing to help us build positive relationships with others and embrace our diversity?

**Using conflict resolution skills:** How do we handle conflicts? When we are in a conflict are we also seeing the situation from the other person's point of view?

We have a couple of Spirit and Bear days this month as well. Our first Bear day this month was Making a New Friend. Students were encouraged to take time to meet someone new and get to know them. During the week of 1/16/2023, to help highlight our theme, students will be listening to the story, The Invisible Boy, by Trudy Ludwig. This story helps emphasize the importance of inclusiveness, friendship, kindness, and the significance of making sure no child is ever made to feel invisible. On Thursday, 1/26/2023, we will have our January Spirit Day, International Day. On this day, students are invited to celebrate the diversity of our school. Students are able to wear a piece of clothing from a county of their choosing. This may be a country where their family is from or a country that they are interested in.

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.

#### **Drop and Pick-Up**

We are working on addressing concerns that have been shared with our principal and our front office staff regarding our drop-off and pick-up, especially in our bus loop. To help assist us in improving our drop-off/ pick-up process, we had our Director of Maintenance, Operations, and Transportation come out this week to help. Below are some ways that you can help us:

- 1. Enter the bus loop on the side closest to the sidewalk.
- 2. When exiting the bus loop, cars should be turning right. There is a sign at the end of our bus loop letting cars know that they should not be making a left turn.
- 3. To help with the flow of traffic, students should be closer to the middle of the bus loop when exiting the car. If students are getting out of cars towards the end of the bus loop, it will back up traffic.
- 4. For safety, students should not be exiting cars in the middle of the street.
- 5. Families should be using the crosswalks when crossing the street and not crossing in the middle of the road.

Cones have been added in our bus loop to help with the flow of traffic. Please be on the lookout for more information regarding how we can all work together to improve our drop-off/ pick-up procedures in our weekly principal updates.

#### **Stargazing Night**

Due to weather conditions, our Stargazing Night that was previously scheduled for Thursday, January 19th, has been canceled. Unfortunately, we will not be able to reschedule this event.

#### **Enrollment for the 2023-2024 School Year**

Our district enrollment portal has officially opened. For the upcoming school year, our school district has expanded the range of birth dates that qualify for Transitional Kindergarten. If your child was born between 9/2/2018 through 6/2/2019, they are eligible to be enrolled in Transitional Kindergarten. Students whose birth date falls between 9/2/2017 through 9/1/2018, are eligible for Kindergarten. If you have an incoming Kindergartener or Transitional Kindergartener, please log into our enrollment portal and begin enrolling now. You may find more information regarding enrollment by visiting our district's enrollment page at:

https://www.berryessa.k12.ca.us/OUR-DISTRICT/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. **All absences need to be reported to our school office.** 

We 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, and get tested. If students have been out with any COVID-19 symptoms, parents will receive an email from our Health Clerk, Ms. Magy, with steps that need to be followed before students return to school. Students should wear a mask around others, until symptoms resolve. If you need at-home antigen tests, to test your child, please stop by our school office between 8:00am-4:00pm Monday-Friday.

All COVID-19 home tests results, positive or negative, *must* be reported to <u>Primary Health</u>, especially if you are using one of our District issued kits. If your child tests positive, please inform me as soon as possible (mkrickovic@busd.net), so that we may send you follow-up guidance.

To upload your results:

- 1. Sign up or renew your consent for this school year at: <a href="https://my.primary.health/l/busd\_2022">https://my.primary.health/l/busd\_2022</a> (make sure you confirm your email and phone number)
- 2. Take your test as instructed and then take a photo of the test
- 3. Upload it to: https://my.primary.health/appointment recoveries Instructions: English I Spanish

#### **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.

# January Social Awareness

Ol/l2 Bear Day — Make a new friend with someone in a different grade level. Sit with someone new at lunch. Play with a new group of students at recess. Today is a day to branch out and meet someone new.

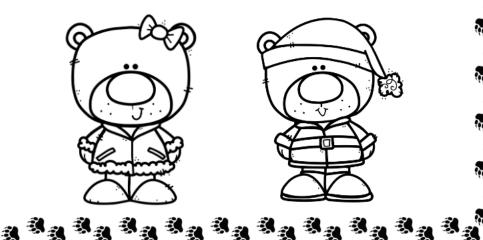
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01/19- Story Day — This month we will be reading "The Invisible Boy" by Trudy Ludwig. Students will do a lesson based on the story today.

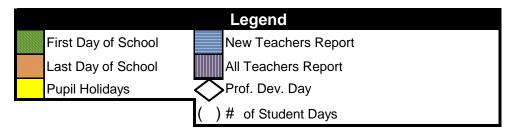
01/26- Spirit Day- International Day, students can wear pieces of clothing from a country of their choosing. You may chose a country of your liking or where your family is from to share your culture with the school.

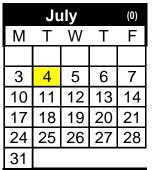


## Berryessa Union School District **2023-2024**

#### **SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR**

**180 Student Days** 





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15th - Dr. King Day

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19th -23rd President's Week

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7th - Last Day of School

19th- Juneteenth

Board Approved: January 11, 2023





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# COVID-19 Community Testing

### PCR & Antigen Tests Available

<u>District Office</u> | Mondays-Thursdays | 7 am - 4 pm Morrill BYC | Wednesdays, 7 am - 3pm & Fridays, 7 am - 4 pm



Registration Help Call 855-288-2577, Mondays-Fridays, 8 am - 5 pm
OR Email support@campusclinic.org

Questions?

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