

NORTHERN ADIRONDACK ELEMENTARY

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Special points of interest:

Dropping Students Off

It has come to our attention that student's have been dropped off in the bus parking area on a few occasions. For their safety, students are not to be dropped off in this area. The main/visitor/parent entrance, located in the front of the elementary building is where all elementary students need to be escorted into the building by an adult. If you arrive after 8:05 a.m. you must sign your child in as well. The parking for parents/visitors is in the Knights of Columbus parking lot. Again, this practice has been set in place for the safety of our students.

PRIDE Assembly

Friday, November 4 at 8:30 a.m. Mr. Estes' 4th Grade class will be hosting this month. Parents, please come and join us!
Additional parking for PRIDE Assemblies will be made available in the bus parking area.

Bus passes

Bus passes must be called in before 1:00 p.m. Receiving bus passes late in the day can cause much chaos and confusion for the office staff as well as the student. We do understand there will be emergencies and will address those as they come in. Please adhere to the 1:00 deadline.



November 2011 Parent News & Notes



STUDENT CITIZENS OF THE MONTH

The "Student Citizens of the Month" for November are:

Kindergarten: Samantha Gilmore
First Grade: Harold Carter
Second Grade: Hunter Trombley
Third Grade: Julia Yocum
Fourth Grade: Carley Premo
Fifth Grade: Jacob Garlock

IMPROVEMENT AWARDS

Tristen Ayotte Emily Hemingway
Christian Filion

"PAW" SOME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Jacob LaVarnway Aiden Lambert Emily Brooks
Zachary Wojnar Kolton Coryea Anika Knight
Cameron Trombley Jeremy LaValley Keagan Moore

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

On Monday, November 21 and Tuesday, November 22, Parent/Teacher Conferences are being scheduled. The conference times on Monday are 3 p.m. - 8 p.m. and on Tuesday are 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Report cards can be picked up at Parent/Teacher Conference time.

BUS PASSES

Parents are to send a written note requesting that a child ride home on a different bus. *When students are going to a friend's house, written notes must be received from both students' parent or guardian.*

If students are going to a relatives (i.e., grandparents, aunts), or babysitter's house, only one note from the parent or guardian is required. Students should bring the note to their teacher in the morning.

RECESS

On all days with temperatures above 15° F (wind chill included) we will have a daily scheduled recess for all grade levels. Your child will be expected to come to school prepared and ready to participate. Students are expected to wear winter coats, ski pants, boots, hats and mittens.

NO SCHOOL

As a reminder to parents, there is no school on Friday, November 11, 2011 in observance of Veterans' Day.

Additionally, there is no school Tuesday, November 22, 2011 through Friday, November 25, 2011 due to Parent/Teacher Conferences and Thanksgiving Break. Classes resume on Monday, November 28, 2011.

Enjoy your time off!

CAFETERIA AWARDS

Hunter Goss Keegan Reyell
Jenny Jock Connor Guay
Harold Carter Andrea Yocum
Abigail Peryea Darvy Gilmore
Tanner Hartpence Casper LaBarge
Desiree Yocum Aiden Lambert
Emma Rabideau Brianna Boxwell
Alexis Seymour

BUS AWARDS

Michael Sherman Jenna Charland
Erica Peryea Delaney Boulrice
Christopher Sorrell Matthew Boulrice
Emily Vanvalkenburg Alexis McDonald
Brianna Manor Dylan Monette
Brady Boulrice Liana LaVoie
Hallie Gilmore Tristin Lagree
Madyson Myatt Austin Lambert
Brandon Manor Rylie Lafountain
Sierra Tuper Jo-Ann Mead
Aiden Lambert Cianna Baker
Braelyn Hill Aryan Spooner
Ronald Chase Ronald Dupee
Alexis Kerr Nolan Knight
Lorrienne Jarvis

STARS FOR JAZZY

Everyone here at NAC Elementary would like to give a heartfelt thank you to those of you who so graciously made a donation to the Brunton family in their time of need. Recently, Jasmine Brunton underwent a kidney transplant surgery with her dad, Jeremy, as the donor! The surgery went well for both Jasmine and Jeremy and she may be able to come home on November 11th. We are so proud of our families, faculty and staff for stepping up to the plate and being there for a member of our community. The donation from the entire NAC School Community was over \$1700! Way to go everyone!!



NURSE'S CORNER



Some reminders for the 2011-2012 school year. All students in grades K, 2 and 4 will need physicals this year. If you have had one at your own pediatrician's office, please have them fax it to me at 594-7255. I will be scheduling the school practitioner to provide physicals for all student's that do not have a copy on file. If you plan on using your own practitioner please send the date of that expected exam.

The leaves and the temperatures are falling. This means your student needs to be prepared for the weather. Outdoor recess will take place on all days with no rain and with temperatures above 15°F (wind chill included). Students are expected to come to school prepared and ready to participate. Cold weather clothing articles include: Winter coats, ski pants, winter hats (tuques), snow boots, gloves/mittens. At this date, please make sure that student's are no longer wearing shorts, or short skirts with legs exposed to the elements.

Temperature changes also bring about illnesses such as seasonal flu. We are using the same plan put in place by New York State that was used last year during the H1N1 outbreak. Sick students and staff should remain out of school until they are fever free for 24 hours. Appropriate hand washing is the best prevention to the spread of bacteria and viruses.

If your child is home sick from school, the school nurse (also the attendance monitor) will require a note stating the illness. According to school policy, anyone missing 5, 10, 15 or more days will be notified and a suggestion made to meet with the classroom teacher and principal. This is also the case with tardiness. Student's entering the building after 8:05 a.m. are considered tardy. Frequent tardiness means they are missing important instructions for the day. All students are required to be escorted into school and if tardy, need to be signed in by an adult at the front desk.

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD IN NEED OF A WINTER COAT?

NACS PTO still has coats available from the Winter Coat and Jacket Drive! Coats are available to students in the NAC district.



If you have a child in need of a winter coat please contact Maureen Lucas or Ms. Silver in the Elementary School! Thanks to all who participated!

CHRISTMAS BUREAU & HEAP PROGRAMS

JCEO Centers have started taking applications for the Christmas Bureau and will do so until Mon., Dec. 5. If you need some assistance with Christmas gifts for your children, they may be able to help.

HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program) will help take the chill out of your heating bills. If your energy bills are more than you can handle, HEAP may be able to help you heat your home, even if you rent. The federally funded HEAP program may help you pay for electricity, gas, oil, coal, propane, wood or kerosene. Call on or after Wednesday, November 16 to make an appointment, as you will need to fill out the HEAP forms at the offices. People already receiving food stamps are automatically eligible for HEAP and do not need to apply. Applications for both programs are available at local JCEO centers. Telephone numbers for the local centers are:

Altona 236-7621 ext. 107

Churubusco 497-6133

Ellenburg 594-3007

Lyon Mountain 735-4334

Town of Mooers 236-7927 (Christmas Bureau applications only)

JCEO Office in Plattsburgh 561-6310

NAC ELEMENTARY LIBRARY NEWS!

Alien Book Fair—The book fair will "beam" to the library from November 14 through November 22.



We all know reading can take you places; the *Scholastic Book Fair* will be at the library to transport you into a world of fun and adventure! Come to **Family Night** in the library on Thursday November 17 from 2:30 P.M. -6:30 P.M. and explore a new dimension in reading.

Students will also be creating wish lists during the week of the book fair and bringing their lists home, so please ask them about their wish list. Students may purchase books during school hours while the book fair is here. Also, adults may come during the Parent-Teacher conferences on November 21 and 22.

New Feature: Can't make it to the book fair? You can order online.

Visit our link at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/northernadirondackelementary>

ELLENBURG YOUTH COMMISSION

The Ellenburg Youth Commission will be holding signups on November 14 & 15 from 6-7 p.m. at the NACS High School Cafeteria for 3rd & 4th and 5th & 6th grade boys and girls basketball programs. Signups are mandatory; you are required to signup during this time in order to play. If you are not able to come to the signups you must contact Gary Magee at 594-7411 *prior* to the dates listed above.



PTO MERCHANDISE

Attached you will find an order form for PTO Merchandise. The merchandise will make great Christmas gifts. The next order deadline is Friday, November 18. This will be your last chance to order to receive the items before the Christmas holiday. Return order forms along with payment to the main office.

Happy Thanksgiving