

The Northwest Star

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Dear Northwest Families,

We have been in school for over 100 days!

On February 12th, we will be having our Math Game Night with the option of purchasing tacos for dinner, come join the fun! Meet us at 5:30 pm in the café for a bit of information before heading off to your sessions.

Students in grades 4 and 5 are continuing to prepare for FSA. Grades 4 and 5 take the writing assessment the week of March 5th.

Congratulations to Ms. Stephanie Camacho, 1st grade teacher, for being Northwest's nominated Teacher of the Year!

Shining STARS

Congratulations to Rayna Flower and Zakilya Zeigler for being top **MyON** winners. A HUGE congratulations to Aya Amnaie for being the **TOP MyOn winner for Pinellas County!** Our school ROCKED the District with the most minutes read: 12,616.

Congratulations to Lily Alfaro, Angelo Araujo, Giangely Gonzalez, and Selena Quillao for being awarded the top Hispanic Award winners!

Congratulations to Silencio Fox, and Siuming Lam for having their 3-D sculptures chosen for exhibition at Gibbs High school!

Thank you for making Northwest SHINE through your achievements!

Attendance: Please have your child at school daily, on time. We understand the flu season is in full swing, but if your child is healthy, no fever and not contagious, please have them here learning.

Thank you for all your support of the Northwest Staff,
Mrs. Brainard

Dates to Remember

February 1- SWB incentive: Great Explorations assembly

February 2- PTA General Meeting/Movie

February 3- Maria Edmunds Hispanic Awards

February 5- SAC 5:30- Media Center

February 12- Math Night

February 12-16: Book Fair

February 19- No School for Students

February 21-Prek/4th grade breakfast sponsored by PTA

February 23- Class Pictures

Title 1 Tid Bits

Please join us February 5th for the SAC meeting to give input into the Title I compact and Parent Involvement Plan for 2018-2019 school year.

Attention Families

As our State testing approaches, please talk with your child about the importance of being in class every day and soaking up all that is being taught. We want our students to shine every day which will help prepare them for the rigorous testing that is ahead in March, April and May.

Mrs. Townsley

Communication

Many people wonder: What exactly is the difference between speech and language. Speech is how we say our sounds. It is also referred to as articulation. Language is the content of our speech. Language is often referred to in terms of its expressive and receptive parts. Receptive language is our understanding of words, sentences, and stories we hear and read. Expressive language is the use of those words to communicate. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Everling or Ms. McGuirl.

ESOL (English to Speakers of Other Languages)

The ESOL Program at Northwest is currently in the ACCESS 2.0 testing cycle. ACCESS 2.0 is a secure large-scale English language proficiency assessment administered to Kindergarten through 12th grade students who have been identified as English language learners (ELLs). The testing window opens Monday, Jan. 29 and closes March 23. All ESOL students in K-5 need to be tested in order to be in compliance with State regulations. Parents of students in the ESOL Program can find information regarding ACCESS 2.0 on www.WIDA.us

Family and Community Corner



Dr. Seuss' birthday is on March 2nd. To honor him, we will be celebrating the week of February 26-March 2 by reading his books and dressing up in a special way each day. More detailed information will be coming home closer to this celebration.



Keep bringing in Box Tops. (Put your teacher's name on any you turn in). Our contest will end May 1st. The class that turns in the most will win a prize.

Scholastic Book Fair





The last Book Fair for the school year is coming February 12th - February 16th. This is a great time for your child to pick out their own books to read. A flyer is coming home this week to show you a selection of some of the books that are offered for purchase. You can discover more books for purchase at www.Scholastic.com/fair. The Book Fair is open during the day, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm but will close at noon on Friday, February 16th. It is also open Monday night (February 12th) during Math Family Night.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>8:05-8:25 every morning Free Breakfast Served to all Students</p>				<p>1 January SWB Great Explorations 3-4pm STEM 5th Grade 3:00-4:15 Promise Time Monthly Progress Report</p>	<p>2 Commitment to Character Awards 2:35-3:45 Modern Band 5:30 PTA Movie Night - Stonks</p>	3
4	<p>5 Kindergarten Program - Visit to Doctor 2:35-4:15 Good News Club 5:30 SAC Meeting</p>	<p>6 7-8am STEM 4th Grade 3:00-4:15 Promise Time</p>	<p>7 7-8am STEM 2nd Grade 2:35-3:15 Drumming 3-4pm STEM 3rd Grade 3-4 Arts Club 3-4pm Crazy 8s</p>	<p>8 3-4pm STEM 5th Grade 3:00-4:15 Promise Time</p>	<p>9 2:35-3:45 Modern Band</p>	10
<p>11 This Week: Book Fair Monday - Thursday 9:00-2:30 Friday 9:00-noon</p>	<p>12 2:35-4:15 Good News Club Book Fair 5:30-7:00 Math Night</p>	<p>13 7-8am STEM 4th Grade Book Fair 3:00-4:15 Promise Time</p>	<p>14 7-8am STEM 2nd Grade Book Fair 2:35-3:15 Drumming 3-4pm STEM 3rd Grade 3-4 Arts Club 3-4pm Crazy 8s</p>	<p>15 Book Fair 3-4pm STEM 5th Grade 3:00-4:15 Promise Time</p>	<p>16 Book Fair 9:00-Noon 2:35-3:45 Modern Band</p>	17
18	<p>19 No School Presidents' Day</p>	<p>20 7-8am STEM 4th Grade 3:00-4:15 Promise Time</p>	<p>21 7-8am STEM 2nd Grade 8-8:30am PreK and 4th Grade Breakfast 2:35-3:15 Drumming 3-4pm STEM 3rd Grade 3-4 Arts Club 3-4pm Crazy 8s</p>	<p>22 3-4pm STEM 5th Grade 3:00-4:15 Promise Time</p>	<p>23 Class Pictures</p>	24
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