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or stop in at the school office
for a paper form.

We value your opinions.

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February Events

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- 5th - Market Day Orders Due Online.
- 6th - Science Assembly
- 7th - Spirit Day - Beach Day
- 8th - Winter Carnival
- 11th - Market Day Pick-up
- 13th - H & S Meeting
- 17th - NO SCHOOL



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Principal's News

Dear Nash Families,

I want to thank you for a great January. The temperatures are down and the snow totals are up from last year. You have been preparing your children very well for the cold weather in their jackets and hats and gloves. Please continue to do so in February. As a parent, I know how hard it is to keep track of winter clothing. Our lost and found continues to grow so if your child loses an item, please have them check the lost and found.

Please continue to follow the traffic patterns for drop off in the morning. I want to thank all of our parents who drop their children off. You have been patient and been working together with the staff to make our procedures work. Students have been ready to exit cars as they pull up to the ramp. I know that a parent's schedule can be hectic in the morning as we try to time drop off with getting to work or an appointment on time. Please do not drop off in the front of the building or in the basketball courts. Both of those options can put students and drivers at risk of an accident. On days that it has snowed or temperatures have plummeted, extra staff members have volunteered to be present so we can better assist students out of cars safely, quickly, and efficiently.

The General Nash Family survey will be ready for February for your feedback. The survey will be digital again this year and we will send out a link via email when it is ready. A paper survey is available upon request. The survey is a valuable tool as the school strives for continual improvement and utilizes the latest resources to enhance your child's experience and support their education at Nash.

Lastly, I want to thank you for the support you give your children every single day. I walk through classrooms and see students ready to learn. They pay attention to their teachers and work with them throughout their lessons. They actively participate and collaborate with their peers to complete tasks. I want to thank the teaching staff for delivering high levels of instruction, while maintaining strong relationships with their students and families. The team effort between home and school remains strong and I encourage everyone to keep up the great work.

Sincerely,

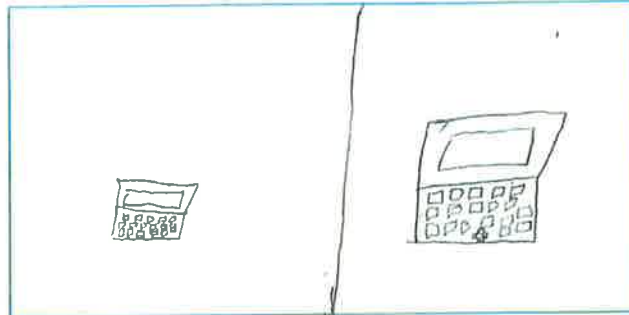
Ron Martiello

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Young Publishers Page



Cell phone Size ^

Computer Size ^

In ten years I think the computers of the world will be amazing. I think they will be portable like a cell phone. Then in will expand so it is the size of computers now. They will also be solar powered and it will work all day. Also instead of going on Google you can say something to it and the answers will come up. Another thing computers will have is cameras on both sides of the computer. There would also be video tape for security. That is what I think computers will be like in ten years.

By Sean

P.S. They will also most likely be a lot more money than now.



There is a lot of things that make an athlete an athlete. Here are some things that make an athlete an athlete. First of all to be a good athlete your going need to have good instincts. Your going to need to know what to do without thinking. For instance if you get the ball in basket ball and your wide open your going to need to shoot the ball without thinking. Another thing that makes an athlete an athlete is that you're always striving to get better. If you're going to get any better you're going to have to practice a lot. The last thing that makes an athlete an athlete is you don't let what other people say effect how you play.

By Nick

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The New Flag of the United States

My Flag is going to be pink, purple teal and green with a black peace sign representing World Peace! I would do that because I think World Peace is a really good thing! It would tell the world that being nice is a good thing and bullying is not nice at all! That's why my flag would be about World Peace!

By Danielle

In the book *The Breathing Room*, the character Evvy reminds me of an armadillo. She reminds me of this animal because of her attitude: shy, defenseless and brave. An armadillo is shy when it hides itself from a bad predator inside of its armored shell to protect itself. In Evvy's case, she showed shyness when she entered Loon Lake by being quiet and hugging her stuffed bear. She also hid from the fact that all of her friends were dying and leaving before her own eyes. It was like she was hiding inside of her own shell. Defenselessness is not a main attitude of Evvy, but this feeling would come in as an armadillo was spotted by a larger animal, and the armadillo knew that it didn't have a chance to survive. To Evvy this is how she felt when she was torn away from her greatest friend, Sarah. She felt defenseless because she had no idea that Sarah was getting worse after every conversation that they shared. I think of bravery because an armadillo still has the courage to wander around in a large biome, slowly stranding away from the other armadillos. Evvy is brave because she did certain things to help others. She was brave enough to stray away from her ward with Dena to find out what had happened to Nurse Gunderson. Another example of her bravery is when Evvy went to find Sarah's room just to speak to her after so much time apart from her greatest friend. In conclusion, I think of Evvy as an armadillo because of her shyness, slight defenselessness, and her intense showcase of bravery.

By Jillian





Please join us on Saturday, February 8th, 2014 from 10am – 2pm for our annual Winter Carnival.

This family-fun event is a favorite at Nash.

Be sure not to miss it!

Games, Food, Arts & Crafts, Magician and Illusionist- Clive Allen, Photo Booth, Bingo, Moon bounce, and the Cake Walk.

The class with the highest participation will win extra recess time.

Pre-ticket sale information will be sent home on 2/3.

If you are interested in volunteering to help at the Winter Carnival, donate baked good items to the concessions or bake a Cake for the Cake Contest and Walk. . .

Please contact:

Kristen Mallitz – kmallitz@gmail.com

Dawn Thomas - bbylvt@gmail.com

Christine Dipippo - cd2617@hotmail.com

Or visit the signup genius

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4CA9AD2AA20-2014>

Cake Walk Information

One fun game at the Winter Carnival is called the Cake Walk. Families get creative and donate cakes that are used as prizes in the cake walk game. (One of last years winners was actually a toilet cake!)

But first, the kids get to vote on their favorite cake on Friday during school, which they love. Winners earn prize tickets for the Winter Carnival on Saturday!

So, get creative and make a cake! Please use the sign up genius above to contribute. Contact Tanya MacGregor (gmac2001@verizon.net) or Jen Jezyk (jenjezyk@hotmail.com) for more info.

General Nash Geography Bee

Abigail Boquist, 6th grade, won General Nash's 2014 National Geographic Geography Bee on January 8th. This win moves her one step closer to the national competition in Washington D.C. and the \$50,000 college scholarship. Kyle Fuhrmeister, 4th grade was our second runner up.

Abigail's next step will be to take a written geography examination and up to 100 of the top scorers in each state will be eligible to compete in the Pennsylvania state bee in March. The state bee winners will then go on an all-expense paid trip to Washington, DC to participate in the National Championship. The program will air on the National Geographic Channel, and public television stations. We wish Abigail the best of luck!

Everyone can test their geography knowledge with the exciting GeoBee Challenge, an online geography quiz at www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee, which poses 10 new questions a day. Additionally, you can visit Mrs. Dalesio's webpage for even more exciting geography games and activities.

Million Tabs Challenge - Reminder



Please keep collecting and bringing in tabs for our million tabs challenge. With everyone's help, we have 168,000 counted tabs in the jugs in the front hallway of the school! Lets keep saving to see if we can reach one million!

Box Tops Labels for Education



Wow! Nash just received a check for over \$1400 to use at our school, just for collecting Box Tops! What a great job everyone did!

But, did you know that on average, only 2 out of 10 Nash students contributed box tops for the fall drive? Let's see if we can get that number up! So the class with the highest participation rate for Box Tops will earn extra recess! Plus the class that has the highest average of box tops also will win extra recess! So now there are two chances to win extra recess for bringing in Box Tops!

Nurse's Notes

Here are a few tips for flu and cold season:

Wash your hands frequently; to prevent the spread of cold and flu viruses. Remember to drink at 8 glasses of water each day. Not only does water help to keep you hydrated, it also helps to 'flush out' the germs. It can also prevent headaches and muscle aches. Remember eating at least 5-a-day of fruits and vegetables also helps to keep you healthy.

Please send in Physical forms for students who attend Kindergarten/First, or 6th grade. Also, please send Dental forms for students in Kindergarten/ First or 3rd grade.

The Physicals and Dentals are mandated by PA state. If you have a child in another grade, and we do not have any Physicals or Dental forms, please submit as soon as possible.

- 1) Please notify the office if there any changes of your phone numbers or emergency contacts.
- 2) Remember to send cough drops to school with a written note. Your child should bring the cough drops and the note directly to the Nurse's Office. Should the cough last longer than 1 week, please consult your health care provider. We can only keep cough drops and other over the counter medications for 3 weeks, after that the district requires a doctor's note.

Vaccinations requirements are as follows: All students entering grade 7 will need to have a #2 Varicella, a Tdap, and a Meningitis vaccination. Grade 7 students who have not had these vaccinations or a signed exemption will be excluded from school in September. Any time your child receives an immunization/vaccination please provide the school with a copy of this documentation.

Thank you in advance for your help in keeping your child's health record up to date.

Stay warm and stay healthy! Kate O'Brien, RN and Jen Walton, RN



Sponsored by Nash's Student Council


The student council is once again selling Valentine Grams this year. The cost is \$.50 for one Gram or 3 Grams for \$1. These make great gifts for classmates and friends in the school. If you are interested in purchasing Valentine Grams just fill out the sheets that will come home the week of 1/13. There are 3 to each sheet; **additional sheets will be located in the lobby and in the e-communication.** The student council will then attach a small valentine item to each Gram and deliver it to the student's homeroom. As a gift from the student council, every student in the school will receive one Gram in addition to others purchased. Please send your Valentine Grams and money in an envelope to school no later than **February 11th** .

Thank you!

Mrs. Schwartz & Mr. Calhoun
Student Council Advisors

February 2014

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2 	3 Day 4	4 Day 1	5 Day 2 Market Day Orders Due	6 Day 3 7th Grade Course Selection	7 Day 4 Spirit Day— Beach Day	8 Winter Carnival
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CALENDAR NOTES:

February Events

February 3rd thru 7th Art Goes to School
 February 5th Market Day Orders Due on-line
 By 11pm
 February 6th 7th grade course selection nights at
 all three middle schools
 February 7th Spirit Day, Beach Day
 February 8th Winter Carnival, 10am-2pm, Nash
 February 11th Market Day, Pick up 5-6pm, Nash
 February 13th H & S Meeting, 7pm, Nash
 February 17th NO SCHOOL (President’s Day)
 February 18th-21 Art Goes to School



Third Annual NPSD Elementary Triathlon
 North Penn High School
<http://www.npenn.org/ironknights>
 5-31-2014

March Events

March 3rd-7th Book Fair
 March 5th Market Day Orders due on line by
 11 PM
 March 7th Spirit Day—Dr. Seuss—Book Fair
 Family Night
 March 11th Market Day Pick Up 5-6 PM Nash
 Cafeteria
 March 13th H & S Meeting 7 PM Nash Library
 March 17th - 28th PSSA’s Reading and Math
 March 31st Early Dismissal

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We’re All In This Together !



**Calling all Vendors: For Nash's 5th
Annual Vendor / Pottery Night
Friday March 28, 2014 6-9PM**

We will be selling tables to benefit our current Nash 5th graders. Help their efforts to raise the funds for next year's events and trip plus make money selling your wares. We keep the cost of the table (\$25 for one + \$10.00 each additional) and all your sales/profits are yours!

We're giving possible Vendor Parent's of our 5th Grade first dibs (through 2/14/14) then we'll open it up to the rest of our Nash Family and their friends/ neighbors. Due to the popularity of this event in past years we wanted to give advance notice to all who may be interested.

Please email krisrwarner@gmail.com if you are a vendor and want a table. I will contact you with a form if a spot for your brand/company is available.

We will also be advertising to the general public for this event; so if you are a Nash Vendor don't hesitate. In the past we've had to turn down our own parents because they delayed in responding. We want you first!

We will not sell tables to vendors selling the same brand or company. For example we'll only allow one Pampered Chef. However, we will not limit other food and kitchen supply type companies like Tupperware etc.

Looking forward to a fun vendor night,
Kristin Warner (krisrwarner@gmail.com)

Christine DiPippo

Tiffanie Stanton

Coordinators



Are you still saving Box Tops and Labels for Education?

Will your class win extra recess?

Can we beat our 23% participation rate from the fall drive for Box Tops?

The winter collection drive has begun!

Please submit all Box Tops and Labels by **Tuesday, February 18, 2014**

New this drive for Box Tops: The drive will be offering an extra recess to the class with the most participation, in addition to the class with the highest average!

Collection Place: Send unexpired Box Tops and Labels for Education in a sealed bag or envelope, **labeled with your child's name and teacher**, with your child or drop in the corresponding "Box Tops" or "Labels for Education" bin under the H&S bulletin board outside the gymnasium. Please do not forget your child's name and teacher so we can count it towards the class totals!!!

Questions: contact Tanya MacGregor at gtnac2001@verizon.net for Box Tops or contact Stacy Johnson at angel78510@gmail.com for Labels for Education



REMINDER

Last day to submit Box Tops and Labels for Education
for the winter collection drive:

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

The class with the highest per student average and highest
participation will win **EXTRA RECESS!!!**

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