

At the CARNIVAL

Saturday, February 7, 2015 from 10am - 2pm
General Nash Elementary School

CHEESE!



Wear Your Smiles!

PHOTO BOOTH

(Front Office vestibule)
4 tickets/picture

Are you ready for mind-bending magic and incredible illusions?

CLIVE ALLEN is bringing all of that to our Winter Carnival and more!

SHOWTIMES

10:30 am & 12:00 pm



BINGO
(Library)

3 tickets/ game
25 prize tickets won per game!



GAMES

(Gym)

1 Ticket Games

Lollipop Tree
Bean Bag Toss
Duck Pond
Ring Toss
Teacher Toss
Win A Fish
Potty Toss

2 Ticket Games

Space Invasion
Baseball Throw
Snowman Blast
Angry Birds
Hole-In-One
Minute-To-Win-It
Plinko
High Striker

Moonbounce-

4 Tickets

Soccer Shoot Out



CAKE WALK

3 tickets/ game

Winner takes home a donated cake!



FOOD

(Cafeteria)

Hot Dogs: 5 tickets
Hoagies: 12 tickets
Pizza: 8 tickets
Cotton Candy: 5 tickets
Soft Pretzels: 3 tickets
Baked Goods: 2 tickets

Chips: 2 tickets
Juice: 2 tickets
Water: 4 tickets



Arts & Crafts

(4th Grade Pod)

2 Tickets

Tattoos
Bookmarks
Magnets

3 Tickets

Face Painting
Bracelets

Valentine's Day Giveaway

4 Tickets

Sand Art
Spin Art



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



General Nash Winter Carnival

Saturday, February 7, 2015

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Volunteer Name: _____

Child's Name (youngest): _____

Child's Grade/ Teacher: _____

Volunteer's Phone Number: _____

Volunteer's Email Address: _____

I will volunteer my time from: _____ 9:45 am – 12pm

_____ 11:45 am- 2 pm

_____ 10:00 am- 2 pm (entire day)

Other ways to volunteer:

_____ I can help with the cake contest during school hours on Friday, 2/6/15.

_____ I can provide a fun and festive cake for the "Cake Contest and Cake Walk", to be dropped off on Friday morning, 2/6/15 in the designated area. *Cakes will be entered into a contest that day- prizes will be awarded to the winners by the end of the school day. All cakes will then be a part of the Cake Walk held at the Carnival on 2/7/15.*

_____ I can donate baked goods (individually bagged/wrapped), to be dropped off on Friday evening, 2/6/15, in the cafeteria at Nash.

A carnival rep. will be in touch prior to the date of the carnival via email to confirm area/ time you are signed up for.

General Nash Winter Carnival

Pre-Sale Tickets



GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY AND SAVE!

5 / \$1 (4 / \$1 Day of the Winter Carnival)

Dear Nash Families,

Please join us on Saturday, February 7th, 2015 from 10am - 2pm for our annual Winter Carnival. This family-fun event is a favorite at Nash. Be sure not to miss it!

We have attached an envelope for you to pre-purchase tickets at a special discounted rate prior to the day of the carnival. Please send in cash or check made payable to **General Nash Home and School** Monday through Thursday of this week. Tickets will be sent home with your child in the same envelope by Friday, February 6, 2015. Any envelopes that are not sent in by Friday, will be available at the ticket counter the day of the carnival for pick-up.

Please reference the attached flyer for additional ticket information.

Contact Christine DiPippo at cd2617@hotmail.com or 215-720-4963 regarding any questions on pre-ticket sales.

General Nash Winter Carnival

Pre-Sale Tickets Order Envelope

Return this to school with cash or check made payable to **General Nash Home and School** Monday-Thursday of the Carnival week. Tickets will be sent home in this envelope with your child by Friday, February 6, 2015.

Child's Name: _____

Teacher/ Grade: _____

_____ tickets at 5/\$1 = \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____



Valentine Gram Sale



Sponsored by Nash's Student Council

The student council is once again selling Valentine Grams this year. The cost is **\$.50 per Valentine Gram**. These make great gifts for classmates and friends in the school. If you are interested in purchasing Valentine Grams just fill out the form on the back of this sheet. 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 students homeroom on February 12th. 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 by **February 6th**.

Thank you!
Mrs. Schwartz & Mr. Calhoun

Happy Valentine's Day!

Item will be placed in this area



To: _____

From: _____

Deliver to Mr. /Mrs. _____ Class

Happy Valentine's Day!

Item will be placed in this area



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From: _____

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MARKET DAY

Market Day Orders are due on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 and pick up is Tuesday, February 10, 2015 from 5 – 6 p.m.

Visit marketday.com (the account # for General Nash is 14671) **FREE Cheese Ravioli with \$90 purchase. FREE \$20 to Shutterfly with any online purchase.**

New this month: Tuscan Cod, Cookies and Cream Pie Cups and Special K Strawberry Pastry Crisps ☺

If you have any questions, please contact us:

Karen Copestick (215-361-1844 kcopestick@aol.com)
Michelle Corman (215-393-5948 michelle_corman@yahoo.com)



A forum for 5th & 6th grade parents hosted by General Nash Elementary Home & School

SOCIAL MEDIA & INTERNET SAFETY NIGHT

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

7:00 to 8:30pm

General Nash Elementary School Gymnasium

1560 Liberty Bell Drive, Harleysville



Did your family receive new tech gadgets over the holidays... perhaps a smartphone, a tablet, or a new gaming system? Do you know what forms of social media your children are using? How much time do your kids spend on technology and what effect does that have on them?

Join us as **Mr. Ray Wilson, Director of Safe Schools at NPSD**, and **Detective Mike Paul, Towamencin Police Department**, discuss these questions and other concerns with parents and guardians of students in 5th and 6th grades. This will be geared towards adults only, and will include time for a question and answer session following the presentation.

We appreciate your RSVP so we may plan accordingly.

RSVP by February 9th at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10coe4eaeaf2aa20-social>

Questions? Contact Mr. Ron Martiello, General Nash Principal, at 215-362-2407 or martierf@npenn.org; or Laura Boquist, General Nash Home & School at 215-368-6930 or boquistl@verizon.net

Reading Connection

Tips for Reading Success

Beginning Edition

February 2015

General Nash Elementary School

Book Picks

Read-aloud favorites

■ *Groundhog Gets a Say*

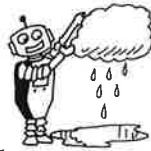
(Pamela Curtis Swallow)

Groundhog is tired of being famous just for predicting the weather, so he tells a reporter other interesting things about himself. For example, groundhogs whistle when they're in danger, create a "bathroom" in their burrows, and have teeth strong enough to gnaw through rocks.

■ *Once Upon an Alphabet: Short Stories for All the Letters*

(Oliver Jeffers)

Read a quirky story about each letter of the alphabet. J is about a door made of jelly, R features robots who steal rain clouds, and S has a cucumber that wants to be a sea cucumber. Enjoy your child's laughter as he learns about the sounds that letters make.



■ *A Tree Is Nice* (Janice May Udry)

What can you do with a tree? This book is full of fun—and practical—purposes for trees. Your youngster might nap in its shade or jump into piles of its leaves, for example. The story encourages readers to appreciate and care for trees. (Also available in Spanish.)



■ *Locomotive* (Brian Floca)

Fact and fiction blend together as a family travels across America on the brand-new transcontinental railroad. Readers will find out how the railroad was built, how steam power works, and what the landscape looked like.



Build a rich vocabulary

It's simple: The more words your child knows, the more words she will understand and use when she reads, writes, and talks. Here are ways to weave new vocabulary into conversations at home.

Word choices

"Put on your pajamas."
"Please close the door." If you're like most families, much of what you say to your youngster revolves around the details of daily life. When possible, try using bigger or more interesting words. Talk about *evaporation* while waiting for water to boil. While you're doing her hair, have a conversation about *inherited traits* like having curly hair.

Playtime talk

Imaginary situations give your child the chance to use words that might not come up in regular discussions. Join her as she plays veterinarian or airport, and say, "Could you please *examine* my pet



rhinoceros?" or "I'd like to travel to a warm *destination*."

Grown-up conversations

Include your youngster in some adult conversations. She'll feel grown up, and she'll enjoy hearing and trying out new words. When guests visit, ask questions that invite her to join the discussion. *Examples:* "I loved the movie. What was your *opinion* of it?" "Would you like a *pastry*? We have muffins and scones."♥

Biographies 1-2-3

Your child can learn all kinds of facts from biographies—and enjoy these three benefits.

1. Exploring nonfiction. Kids are now reading more nonfiction in school, and picture biographies are a good way to read nonfiction at home. Your youngster could choose books about people who interest him, such as artists or scientists.

2. Discovering history. Encourage your child to read biographies of historical figures he studies in school. He'll dig deeper into the past as he uncovers information about their hobbies, families, and jobs.

3. Learning about good character. Biographies often describe how people overcame challenges or made a difference in the world. As your youngster reads, ask him to tell you about the person's good character traits.♥



A storybook museum

Let your youngster display his favorite books in his very own museum. He will pay attention to characters and settings—and practice retelling stories—as he sets up and shares his exhibits.

● **Find characters.** Ask your child to think about the people and animals in the story. Then, he can gather action figures and toy dinosaurs, aliens, or other creatures to represent them.

● **Design a setting.** Next, he could decorate a tabletop or bookcase shelf to show the setting. For a story set in outer



space, he might line a shelf with black construction paper and line up different-sized balls as planets.

● **Add a plaque.** Help your youngster make a sign describing his exhibit. He can include the title and author along with a few important details from the book. *Tip:* Make sure he displays the book, too.

● **Give a “tour.”** Finally, ask him to take you on a tour of his museum. He’ll practice retelling as he describes the story and his exhibit.

Idea: He could rotate his displays by choosing a new book each week.♥



Fun with Words

All in the family

What do *band*, *land*, and *sand* have in common? They’re all members of the *-and* family. And if your child can write one word in a family, it’ll be easier for her to write the rest of them.



First, help her think of a word that has a lot of rhymes, such as *shake*.

She could go through the alphabet and

try putting each letter in place of *sh* (*bake*, *cake*, *fake*, *lake*, *make*). Let her write down the words she comes up with.

Together, use the words to write a silly rhyming story. *Example:* “I’m going to bake a cake. Let’s eat the cake I make. I promise it’s not fake! We’ll have it with a vanilla shake.”

Take turns thinking of more word families, and make up more stories.♥

Q&A Fit in more reading

Q Our evenings are so busy. How can we find more time to read with our daughter?

A Try reading a “wake-up” story. Start your morning with a read-aloud, and your child will look forward to waking up and enjoying a story with you. You could even listen to an audio book together while you eat breakfast.

Also, travel with books. Stash some in a tote bag in the car, and encourage your daughter to keep a few in her backpack. That way, she will always have something with her to read.

Finally, think short and sweet. When there isn’t time for an entire book, stop to read a handful of poems, a few pages of a world record book, an article from a children’s magazine, or some knock-knock jokes.♥



Help wanted!

It’s chore time—and it’s also time to read and write! Try these suggestions, and you may find your youngster more motivated to do chores.

Create ads

“Advertise” for special jobs your child can do. You might write, “Hardworking child needed to straighten up the linen closet” or “Super cleaner wanted to help organize the garage.” Post the ad on the refrigerator, and help your youngster read it.

Make a checklist

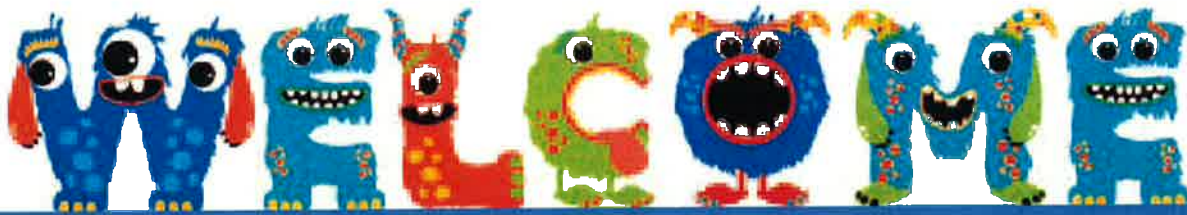
Together, talk about everyday ways your youngster could pitch in around the house. Agree on a few, and have him list them on a piece of paper. He will keep track of chores and practice writing words like *table*, *clean*, and *kitchen*. Let him draw a box beside each chore to check off when he finishes.♥



OUR PURPOSE

To provide busy parents with practical ways to promote their children’s reading, writing, and language skills.

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NORTH PENN CENTRALIZED KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2015

NPSD Registration Office: www.npenn.org 215-853-1097

WHAT: Centralized Kindergarten Registration for students entering Kindergarten in September 2015. Students attending school in NPSD **must be 5 years old on or before September 15, 2015.**

WHEN: Starting January 19, 2015, schedule an appointment to register by visiting our website at www.npenn.org and clicking "Quick Links" or call 215-853-1097. Registration documents are available online at www.npenn.org. **PLEASE PRINT AND COMPLETE THE REQUIRED KINDERGARTEN DOCUMENTS BEFORE YOUR APPOINTMENT.**

WHERE: Centralized Kindergarten Registration is held at the North Penn School District Educational Services Center, located at 401 E. Hancock Street, Lansdale, PA 19446.

Appointment Dates	Appointment Times
March 23, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m. & 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
March 24, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m. & 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
March 25, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m. & 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
March 26, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m. & 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
March 27, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
March 30, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m. & 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
March 31, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m. & 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
April 7, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
April 8, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
April 9, 2015	8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO BRING THE DAY OF YOUR APPOINTMENT?

- Proof of residency in the NPSD.** A current utility bill, rental agreement or lease, driver's license or other official document showing parent/legal guardian's name and current address.
- Proof of birth.** Parent/legal guardian must bring a copy of the child's birth certificate, church record or physician's statement to verify age. Student must be 5 years of age by September 15, 2015.
- Proof of current immunizations.** Written documentation (month, day and year) from a hospital or clinic, physician or previous school immunization record which verifies that your child has received the following immunizations:

Grade	DPT, DT Td	MMR	Hepatitis B	Polio	History of Chicken Pox or Varicella
K-12	4 doses – 1 dose on or after 4 th birthday	2	3	3	2

- Your incoming Kindergarten student** as he/she will be engaging in many fun kindergarten readiness activities, such as: coloring, shape identification, name writing, etc.





How much money do you throw away? **Start saving Box Tops!**

So far this year we have earned \$900 for Nash in Box Tops!

Clip the Box Tops from hundreds of participating products and send them to school. Each Box Top is worth 10¢ when Nash redeems them from Box Tops for Education. This year the money will help fund any number of the Home & School sponsored programs, assemblies, field trips, classroom activities and supplies.

New this year:

- The class that collects the highest amount of Box Tops will get to choose their reward (from a predetermined list like movie time, PJ day, Wii dance party, extra recess, etc).
- If you want to earn extra for the classroom contest, use the attached collection sheet to submit Box Tops – if it's entirely filled in with unexpired regular Box Tops (not bonus ones), it will count for 50 Box Tops in the classroom contest! Feel free to use extra of these sheets. Labeled bags/envelopes of box tops are still ok too, but they just won't earn extra in the classroom contest!
- The teacher from the class that has the highest amount for the entire year will win a \$100 gift card for teacher supplies!

Winter Collection Drive: The winter collection drive has begun! Please submit Box Tops for the winter collection drive by **Wednesday, February 18, 2015**

Collection Place: Send unexpired Box Tops in a sealed bag, envelope or collection sheet, labeled with your child's name and teacher, with your child or drop in the "Box Tops" bin under the H&S bulletin board outside the gymnasium.

Questions: contact Tanya MacGregor at gtnac2001@verizon.net for Box Tops

Box Tops for Education Collection Sheet!



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Fill up this sheet with 25 box tops

\$2.50

(please no Labels for Education, expired box tops or Bonus box tops!!)

and you'll be donating this much
to Nash without even opening your wallet! *

Thank you!

Teacher: _____ Student's Name: _____

* and earn an extra 25 box tops for your classroom contest!