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NORTHVIEW SCHOOL'S

NEWS YOU CAN USE

From the desk of Sara McDonald, Principal



Upcoming Events

Book Fair Opens 8:15 am to 4:15 pm	Apr. 1
Spirit Day Fiesta Day!	Apr. 3
FAMILY READING NIGHT 6:00—7:30 P.M.	Apr. 3
Rebholz PreK trip to Pet Smart	Apr. 4
PTC Meeting 6:00 p.m. at NV	Apr. 8
Preschool Screening At Northview	Apr. 9
SPRING BREAK NO SCHOOL	Apr. 14-21
School Resumes EARTH DAY	Apr. 22
KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP 2:30 P.M. at NV	Apr. 25
BEE STORE	Apr. 28
Young Author Celebration at Grand Bear Lodge For 1st Grade	Apr. 30

SPRING FEVER IS IN THE AIR!

Spring Break is near and it is hard to believe that our school year is three quarters of the way complete! Hopefully our weather will catch up with us and we will get some spring like weather to enjoy.

As the weather does get warmer, students are able to spend more time outside and on the playground. Often, the playground can be a place that is difficult to navigate. When venturing outside, we remind our students to be respectful of others. At Northview, demonstrating respect looks like keeping our hands and feet to ourselves, using appropriate language, no name calling, and being courteous and honoring the wishes of others. Please reinforce these guiding concepts with your child when they play at home and with neighborhood friends as well. We want all Northview students to feel safe, respected, and responsible.

There is so much happening here at Northview in the next two months it takes my breath away. Hopefully you can join us for some of the special activities! Please be looking in the May newsletters for many of the end of the year events like the first grade field trip, Teacher Appreciation Week, end of the year Fun Days, and more!

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION AND SCREENING

Northview School will be holding a Preschool Screening for all eligible 3 & 4 year olds on Wednesday, April 9, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. If you are interested in having your child screened, please call the school office at 815-223-2567 by April 4th at the latest.

We currently have openings in our preschool for the 2014-15 school year. If you are interested in our Bright Futures Preschool program, you will be asked to fill out some "preregistration paperwork"

at the screening. In order to preregister and to get your child on our 2014-15 list, you do need to pay the \$75.00 registration fee at the time of pre-registration.

If you want more information, please contact the school office! Future PreK screenings for students who turn three later in the year will take place in August.



WELCOME TO NURSE MIRANDA

In January, our school nurse Mrs. Kathy Heuser retired from her position at Peru Elementary District #124. Mrs. Karen Miranda began her job in late January. We welcome her to our district. Here is a little background on our new school nurse!

Mrs. Karen Miranda graduated in May 1993 with a Bachelors Degree in nursing from St. Francis Medical Center College of Nursing in Peoria and began working as a pediatric nurse. She has worked in many different areas almost always in the pediatric field. She has 7 years of experience as a school nurse working in the Minooka School District and the Henry School district before coming to Peru. She has been married for 20 years to husband Noe and they live in DePue with their two daughters. Lexie is the oldest. She is 18 and a senior at St. Bede Academy. Madison is 12 and is a 6th grade student at DePue Jr High. Both girls are very involved in extracurricular activities and keep them very busy. Mrs. Miranda absolutely loves being a school nurse. It is more than just ice packs and band aids. She feels like she learns something new every day. She loves feeling like she is making a difference in the life of a child. Her favorite children's book is *Oh the Places You'll Go* by Dr. Seuss. The possibilities in life are endless!



BOOK FAIR FIESTA AND FAMILY READING NIGHT

You Quiero Libros— I WANT BOOKS!

Vamos a Leer— LETS GO READ!

Our Scholastic Book Fair is in full swing this first week of April. Don't forget that students will have the opportunity to purchase new books from the Book Fair on Tuesday, April 1st (Wednesday, April 2nd if they forget their money). The Book Fair will also be open on Thursday, April 3rd beginning at 5:30 p.m. prior to Family Reading Night.

The students are participating in a ONE FOR BOOKS coin challenge. Each day, they are asked to bring in coins to school. This money goes directly toward our Book Fair profit and then Scholastic Books matches the money and donates to organizations that give books to children. A win/win situation!

Tuesday = Nickels Wednesday = Dimes Thursday = Quarters Friday = dollars/any coins

FAMILY READING NIGHT IS ON THURSDAY, APRIL 3RD FROM 6:00—7:30 P.M.



SPRINGING INTO BEEAUTIFUL BEHAVIOR



Northview Students are being recognized for good behavior on an “intermittent schedule”. What this means is that twice a month, a chosen

class will be checked on to see if they are following the BEE rules that we have been practicing all year. Our Northview PBIS team will visit certain classrooms to ask the teacher specific questions about our school wide expectations. If the teacher can answer positively that all the students in her class have been following these rules/expectations, then the entire class will be awarded with a treat or privilege by Mrs. McDonald. Here are some examples: [Mrs. Atilano's first grade class](#) was recognized for **BEING RESPONSIBLE** and all staying on green. [Mrs. Rebholz's PreK class](#) was recognized for **BEING RESPECTFUL AND SAFE** in class by keeping their hands and feet to themselves. So if you notice

that your children come home with an extra special pencil, sticker, or coupon to a local restaurant, then you know they were recognized with an “intermittent award”!

The Northview staff member that was recognized in March for her work with the Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) program is [Mrs. Stephanie Lippert](#), our school secretary. Mrs. Lippert was recognized for “frequently rewarding students in the hallway when they are showing respectful behavior”.

CONGRATS ON A JOB WELL DONE.



KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Parents and students of the incoming kindergarten class for the 2014-15 school year are invited to our Round-up on **Friday, April 25th from 2:30—3:30 p.m.**

Students will be allowed to visit the classroom and learn and play while the parents will attend a presentation in the gym by the principal and teachers about all the specifics of the kindergarten day!

This is a very important meeting that cannot be missed! Please plan on attending.

END OF THE YEAR REMINDERS

I have been receiving phone calls about the end of the year (since we had so many snow days)! Here are some important days for June:

Monday, June 2nd—Last Day for Preschool. This is also PreK Fun Day! PreK Report Cards go home!

Tuesday, June 3rd—Last Day for K-8! This is a 2:15 p.m. dismissal and is also K-1 Fun Day! Reports Cards go home for K-8.