

NOVEMBER 21, 2017

# North Iowa Christian School

680 6<sup>th</sup> St S.E. Mason City, IA 50401  
nicschooloffice@gmail.com 641-423-6440

## • CANNED FOOD DRIVE SUCCESS!!!

The Student Council annual canned food drive was a success!!! Today was the last day for collection and the students collected a total of 636 cans! That is 101 cans over their goal. Wow!!! Great job students! The Student Council will have a surprise for students on November 27 for meeting this goal. All food donated will go to the local food bank.

Food Drive



## • OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

HS students will be heading to Lakeville, MN on Tuesday, December 5 (7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) to help pack shoeboxes. Permission slips will be sent home after Thanksgiving. Students will need to bring a sack lunch on this date. If you would like to donate a shoebox/gift, please have it to the school office by December 1. Instructions on how to do this are attached in the email.



- **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM!!!** – We are continuing work on the Christmas program. This year's program will be on December 12 at Praise Community Church at 6:30 p.m. K-6<sup>th</sup> will need an orange or yellow t-shirt, sweater, or sweatshirt (the brighter, the better). These do not need to be totally plain; they can have minimal signage or pictures on them. Each student will also need a mini flashlight. Feel free to email Mrs. Rust any comments or suggestions at: nicsgrade1and2@hotmail.com
- **PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING IS TODAY** – This committee will meet this afternoon, at 3:25 p.m. in the NICS Chapel/multi-purpose room. If you can't make it, please call Steve Vandenberg at 641-421-8742.

## PLEASE MAKE NOTE!!!

– Now that wintry weather is upon us, please make sure your student(s) comes to school prepared for the cold weather by having a coat, hat, scarf, mittens/gloves, etc. They do go outside for recess and to the outer building for gym, so we want to make sure they are dressed appropriately for the weather. Once the snow starts flying, we will need to have students start bringing their snow pants and boots!



## Christmas is Coming!!!

Christmas gift donations for teachers and staff will be collected through the month of November. We like to bless our teachers and staff members with a financial gift for Christmas. If you would be willing and able to contribute to this gift, we would request you turn it into the office anytime during this month. The gifts will be given out at the Christmas program. Thank you in helping us thank our hard working teachers and staff!

"Glorify God...Serve Others"



What's  
Happening

November 21

\*Public Relations Committee Meeting

November 22-24

No School  
Thanksgiving Break

December 1

Boys & Girls Basketball at Home

December 5

\*HS to Operation Christmas Child  
Minneapolis, MN

December 5

Elementary & Middle School Students  
Field Trip  
Stebens Theater Performance

December 5

Boys & Girls Basketball at Home

December 7

School Board Meeting

December 9

Boys & Girls Basketball at Hardin  
County

December 12

\*Christmas Program

December 20

Noon Dismissal/Staff Development

December 21-January 1

Christmas Break

January 2

School Resumes

\* Indicates additional info in newsletter

Thank you to Chris Mæzter  
for being our Chapel  
speaker this week.



# NICS SPIRIT WEEK NOVEMBER 27 to DECEMBER 1

Monday, November 27  
Tuesday, November 28  
Wednesday, November 29  
Thursday, November 30

PJ Day  
Hat Day  
Wacky Wednesday  
Color Day  
K-2: Yellow      3-4: Green  
5-6: Purple      7-8: Red  
9-10: Blue      11-12: Black

Friday, December 1

**NICS Day - Come out and support the boys and girls at their first home game!!!**



## GO EAGLES!!!

Come out and support our NICS boys and girls basketball teams! **The first home games for both teams are on Friday, December 1.** Boys play at 5:30 p.m. and the girls game will follow. Our new cheerleading squad will be cheering for the first time at these games!!



Check out the NICS Basketball Facebook page for further details. Updates to the schedule, addresses of away games, and other communications will be posted there. Home games are held at the Nora Springs Middle School.

If you have any questions concerning NICS basketball, please contact Steve Vandenberg, Athletic Director, at 641-421-8742.

## FROM THE TEACHERS

### Kindergarten – 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades

**Bible Story:** Creation – Genesis 1

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 34:13 “Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies.”

**Heritage Studies:** America, Land That I Love – God has blessed our country with different resources, landforms, and bodies of water. Making a wind turbine craft.

**Science:** Living things – Mystery baby pictures to match up the K-2 students.

### This Week's Snack Schedule

**Monday:** Gabby      **Tuesday:** Briley      **Wednesday:** Brady      **Thursday:** Jordyn      **Friday:** Carter

**NOTES:** • Be ready for the cold snowy weather with hats, mittens, boots, and snow pants.

- \*K-6 need a bright yellow or orange shirt for the Christmas program on December 12. Shirts that have writing or design can be used as we can turn them inside out.

### Kindergarten:

- Keep practicing:
  - Letters and sounds – Tt, li, Ss, Nn, Hh, Ww, Ee, Bb, Pp, Uu, Kk, Cc, Dd, Aa, Gg, Ll
  - Sight words – here, is, the, mother, blue, green, a, love, orange, pink, his, has, come, purple, are, father, for, yellow, brown.
  - Recognizing numbers – 0-25. Counting to 50.
- Please remember to be reading take home books. Review last page with word families.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

- **Spelling** – List #10 ax, bath, bring, chat, crab, drum, glass, must, smash, when
  - Tests on Wednesday, November 29 and Friday, December 1 (as needed).
- **Phonics** – Reading words with suffix, -ed, -ing. Vowel characters: Miss Long, marker e, and the bad cats -ed and -ing  
Topics – Fanny Cosby, signals for the deaf
- **Math** – Practice adding and subtracting facts to 8 family. Recognizing a whole from a half. Combining dimes, nickels, and pennies.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

- **Spelling** – List #13 more, care, fire, pure, shore, share, cure, stare, store, tire, score, square, wire, dare, tore, grow, why, there, here, their
  - Tests on Wednesday, November 29 and Friday, December 1 (as needed).
- **English** – Writing couplet poems
- **Math** – Reading temperature to odd numbered degrees. Adding with carrying to the tens and hundreds.
- **Author Study** – Mary Jane and Herm Auch who are both “egg”cellent story writers!



### MYSTERY BAG:

Choose to bring something from our study topics.

Presenter: Carter

### 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grades

**New Memory Verse:** Genesis 17:7-8

**Bible Topic:** Abram, Sarai, Sodom and Gomorrah – Three visitors. Review I Peter 2:9-12.

**Math:** Please keep studying the 3, 4, 5 and multiplication facts. We will begin dividing by 6 after Thanksgiving.

### 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades

**Bible Verse:** John 14: 1-6

**Bible Topic:** Roman Trial – Matthew 27

**NOTE: We are in need of more Kleenex for our classroom. Please have your student bring 2 boxes to school. Thank you!**