



Lion's Den Newsletter

February 2016

Principal's Message



We are in the prime of the school year. Students know the rituals, routines, and expectations of the school, the classroom, and of themselves. This is a critical period of time for learning: a time that teachers just love to observe the growth in students each day. We look forward in continuing to support your students by designing lessons that are engaging and challenging. Let's keep working as a team to ensure your student's success!

CS First

Our Computer Science Club is up and running. Our first session of 3rd and 4th grade students was very successful and our 5th/6th class is in session. For 3rd/4th grade our 2nd sessions will begin next week, Monday, February 8th and Tuesday, February 9th. These will be 2 separate sessions that will continue for eight weeks. Registration will be on Thursday, February 4 @ 7:30am.

Student Honored

Congratulations to Macy Green who was honored at a Rotary Club luncheon on January 20th. According to her teacher, Ms. Gillani, "Macy is an exceptional student whose contagious enthusiasm for learning has added to her classroom community, the school, and her outside activities." We love how Macy demonstrates leadership and an enthusiasm for learning at Nordstrom school. Keep up the great effort Macy!



Run Hide Defend

Officer Jeff Brandon informed parents of the training that teachers and staff have received on Run Hide Defend in January. Teachers were there to talk to parents about what the staff is doing to ensure your child's safety on campus. Some key points:

- Letting students know that they are safe at school.
- Nordstrom is a closed campus. This means that visitors must sign in on campus for the student's safety.
- In an emergency, students must listen to their teacher. This may be asking students to exit the building different exits, running to a location, or sheltering in place. Their teachers will give directions and the students must listen.

One area the teachers would like parent assistance is helping students memorize their complete phone number and their complete address.

I have attached the Run Hide Defend video as I did earlier in the year in case you did not have the chance to view it. This video's setting is at a high school. This is for adult and adolescent viewing.

<https://youtu.be/BOpwpW54CmE>

Upcoming Events

February

- 5 Home & School Club Meeting, MPR, 8:00am
- 5 5th & 6th Grade Panorama Pictures
- 9 ELAC Meeting, 6:00pm, MPR
- 8 - 12 6th Grade Science Camp
- 15 - 19 No School, Winter Break**
- 22 Kinder Registration
- 26 Lion's Den
- 29 School Site Council, 2:15pm, RC

March

- 1 End of Second Trimester
- 4 Home & School Club Meeting, MPR, 8:00am
- 10 - 11 Theater Show
- 11 Report Cards Go Home
- 14 ELAC Meeting, 8:00am, MPR
- 21 School Site Council, 2:15pm, RC
- 24 Lion's Den
- 25 & 28 No School, Holiday**

Home and School News



Spell-A-Thon is underway! Students have received their respective lists and should be starting to study so that they are prepared for Monday, February 29th's Spell-a-Thon. Bee and Buzz will surprised kids on campus and challenge them. All kids who make personal goals of \$25.00 will be entered into a drawing to win a Chromebook!

Our Theater Club is busy rehearsing for the big show! Rehearsals are held Tuesdays and Fridays through March. Performances will be held March 10 & 11. More details are forthcoming, check out our website!

Framed Art Event. You may have heard the buzz from your student talking about the creations they've made in the ArtSmart workshops. Now is your chance to see the true artist within them. Nordstrom will be holding a framed Art Event with your child's masterpieces, professionally framed and matted. Pre-sales will begin the end of March. Stay tuned for details on times and locations.

Nordstrom's exclusive **auction night** is just around the corner. April 30th is our Fiesta Fundraiser being held at Morgan Hill Masonic Center. Details will be posted around the school and in Friday folders when tickets are available for sale for this night of fun, food, and fundraising...it's FIESTA time!



Generous Donations

Thank you for your generous donations. So far we have 5 computers to give to families that do not have access to technology in their homes. We could not have supported these students without your compassionate cooperation. Thank you!