



NAVIGATOR

December 16, 2010

Notes

A bi-weekly e-newsletter for the families and supporters of Northshore Christian Academy.

Dear Parents,

One of our Bible classes had a deep discussion on the difference between justice and mercy. They compared and contrasted these two qualities. And they searched the scripture to see what God says about justice and mercy. It was a profound moment for our kids to ponder the character of God!

Justice: "Dear Lord, help our children to love justice as you do and act justly in all that they do." Psalms 11:7, Micah 6:8

Mercy: "Dear Lord, may our children always be merciful, just as their Father is merciful." (Luke 6:36)

Serving Christ,
Holly Leach



Thank You PTF for the wonderful Christmas Gifts. The umbrellas and tote bags are great. We love and appreciate you!

Thank you PTF



Happy Birthday Mrs. Leach



Mrs. Leach's special birthday cake with our Rooted In Christ Theme.

NCA Elementary Skate Night Kindergarten—5th Grade

Monday, January 10th
4:00-6:00pm ~ Everett Skate Deck

- \$5.00 includes skate rental (regular four wheeled skates)
- Add \$1.00 if you want roller blades or speed skates.
- It is OK to bring your own skates.



Recycling for Education

Congratulations November Box Tops Winners!

Mrs. Wilson's 1st Grade Class and Mr. Erickson's 8th Grade Class



Remember: If you order flowers for the holidays, we are now part of the Helping Hands through Stadium Flowers. We receive \$2.00 for every order that is placed if you let them know that Northshore Christian Academy is part of their Helping Hands Program. There is a direct link to their web site under the our NCA Recycling for Education icon. Please let friends and family know about this program.



Christmas Shopping? Share this link with friends and family:

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/marketplace/BrowseStores.aspx> – over 100 stores and more points for Northshore! Thank you to everyone for your participation!



You can also get information from the school website by clicking on the Recycling For Education icon.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at PTFRecyclingForEducation@northshorechristian.org.

CONTEST - RECYCLING OVER CHRISTMAS BREAK!!

FOR EACH CHILD THAT BRINGS A BAG OF RECYCLING IN ON **TUESDAY, JANUARY 4TH, 2011**, THEY WILL RECEIVE A PRIZE.

PLEASE SEE OUR ICON ON THE SCHOOL WEB PAGE FOR THE REFRIGERATOR RECYCLING LIST FOR EDUCATION IF YOU DO NOT KNOW WHAT WE ARE COLLECTING.

THANK YOU AND HAVE A SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON FROM YOUR RECYCLING FOR EDUCATION TEAM!!

LIBRARY NEWS



New books are here! Energy and excitement has been high in the library these past few weeks as over 300 new books have hit the shelves. The new additions include Caldecott and Newberry Award winners and popular series such as *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* and *39 Clues*.

Non-fiction sets were ordered as well; *The World's Deadliest Set*, *Voices of War*, *Sports Pack*, *Guinness World Records 2011*

and many more! We are also very thankful to the PTF for last year's donation of popcorn money for middle school books. Several of the new middle school books have already been shelved but there are many more that will be arriving in the near future. Come by the library and get excited with us!

YOUNG AUTHORS


My Autumn Eyes
By Nicolas B. 

My autumn eyes behold
Leaves falling, twisting, swinging, and rolling
The bright sun going down in the blue sky
The rain coming down to water the plants


My Autumn Eyes 
Ben A. 

My autumn eyes behold
Silvery rocks housing scarlet leaves
Golden leaves soaring in the meadow
Grass tossing and turning in the wind

NCA Inclement Weather School Closure Resources



It's that time of year again when inclement weather comes into play and a snow day may be in order. This year, we have a hotline (extension 3200) to inform parents about school closures. There are four ways the school will communicate to NCA families regarding the status of school on bad weather days.

After 6:00 a.m. you will have the following options:

- Call the NCA Inclement Weather Hotline at **425.407.1119 x3200** and listen to the message.
- Check out the school's web-site at www.northshorechristianschools.org
- Read your email message from the school.
- Log on to www.SchoolReport.org and select "Northshore Christian Academy" from the pull down list of **Private Schools** to get the message regarding NCA closure. You can also set up an alert to your email very easily through the site by filling out a short form. Also, check your local TV and radio stations for closure updates.



PARENTS

Important Reminders & News

COAT REMINDER!

With winter weather upon us, please remind your child to bring his or her coat to school AND to wear it on cold/rainy days during recess and outdoor PE.

BRING UTENSILS FOR LUNCHES:

NCA does not provide utensils for lunches brought from home. (Blue Plate Seattle does provide utensils for their hot lunch program.) Please ensure that your child brings them as needed.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FRIDAY DRESS:

1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays are Free Dress
2nd and 4th Fridays are Walk-a-thon and Spirit Wear



The lost and found will be donated to charity at the end of the day on Friday, December 17th. Please take a look and claim your items today.

The lost and found is located in Building C at the bottom of the stairs.

Spirit Wear Gift certificates are available

On-line Catalog and Ordering coming January 2011

AM/PM Care Reminder...

If your K-7th grade students (up to the age of 13) are on campus before 8:00 am, they must be signed into our AM care program by an adult. If they are here after 3:30 pm, they will be taken to our PM program where they must be signed out by an adult. If they are not signed out, we will charge as if they were here until 6:00 pm. These are the WA. Dept. of Early Learning requirements we must follow as a licensed program and to assure your child's safety. Thanks for partnering with us to keep all our students safe.

Upcoming Staff Birthdays

Dec 21—Charlene Coleman, Preschool Teacher
Dec 25—Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior
Dec 27—Clint Ogilvie, 7th Grade Teacher
Jan 1 — Pam Watson, 5th Grade Teacher
Jan 4 —Beth Schlaegel, 2nd Grade Teacher

Have you enjoyed one of our Christmas Concerts this season? Meet the people who make music at Northshore every day of the week!



Mrs. Lisa Walchenbach- BA Music Education from Hope College, 20 years of experience teaching in private, Christian and public schools. Mrs. Walchenbach is Kindermusik licensed and trained in Orff and Kodaly methods. This is Mrs. Walchenbach's 4th year at Northshore where she has blessed parents and staff alike with her leadership in the music department.



Mr. Roy Herzer- BA Music Education from Central Washington University with 15 years of experience teaching and leading music and bands in public, private and church settings. Mr. Herzer is an accomplished producer, arranger, and conductor for many professional recordings ranging from ABC, CBS and FOX news to work with the Bill Gaither Trio and Michael W. Smith.



Miss Rachel Schaefer- BA in Music Education from Cornerstone University. Miss Schaefer has a background in oboe, band, marching band, choreography, drama and musical leadership. She has performed in the following shows: *The Wizard of Oz, Fame! the musical, Grease, The Pirates of Penzance, Little Women the musical, Seussical the Musical, Fiddler on the Roof, Oklahomal!, Fools, and Our Town.*



Mrs. Wendy Arcega- BA in Music Education from Grove City College with 6 years of experience teaching in Christian schools and 15 years teaching violin, viola, cello and voice lessons. Her specialty is strings and choral.



2nd and 3rd grade perform their Christmas concert for a packed house

At NCA, we understand the importance of music education. It is an integral part of our Christian education program. For more information about the music opportunities at Northshore, please read the Music Education letter from Mrs. Leach that accompanies this edition of the Navigator Notes.