TIGER TRACKS

Northern Lights ABC School Newsletter

CHARACTER BUILDING BLOCKS

Friendship

Work

Respect

Perseverance

Patriotism

Generosity

Compassion

Tolerance

Courage

Honesty

Loyalty

Humility

Self Confidence

Self Discipline

Independence

Helpfulness

Sportsmanship





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Dear NLABC Families,

During this holiday season of celebration, giving, and family gatherings, I am reminded of the following quote from Thomas Jefferson: "I believe that every human mind feels pleasure in doing good to another." I feel very fortunate to be at NLABC where our teachers show kindness and compassion to our students' lives every day. Our students reciprocate their kindness to each other as well.

During Winter Break, we would like for you to remember to have your child read for 20 minutes or more each day. Reading is such a powerful tool for building a child's mind. Tiger Reading will be due on January 6th. We want our families and community to help us achieve our high expectations for each student. Your input and support is very important to us. Please feel free to contact me anytime with any ideas, questions, or concerns.

Thank you for continuing to be involved in your child's education. We're making great strides at Northern Lights ABC, and we cannot do what we do without you! Again, I wish you a happy holiday season.

Warmly, Tammy Duff

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Messages from the Principal

December 17, 2019

Dear Parents,

As you know, the news in recent days has been filled with stories about the severity of this flu season. To date, Northern Lights ABC, has had only a few reported cases of the flu, but they are beginning to rise. We are asking you **PLEASE** if your child has been diagnosed with the flu or are showing signs, do not send them to school. They need to remain home for whatever length of time noted by your physician.

Most of our children worry about missing school - missing tests or quizzes- and so will push their parents to allow them to come to school just long enough to take a test or quiz. But giving in and allowing them to come to school even for a short period of time, may result in the spread of the illness to others and additionally, no one performs their best when sick, so they will most likely not do well on that test or quiz they insist on taking.

I am asking all teachers to be more lenient than normal in the make up process for those children who must be out for multiple days.

Thank you very much for your support in this and please stay healthy!

Tammy Duff Principal Northern Lights ABC

Protecting Children

On December 5th, NLABC hosted a Cyber Safety meeting for parents with special guests, APD Officer Carroll, FBI Specialist Agent Hinrichs, and ABC Board Member and Parent, Mr. Ryan Radford. Mr. Radford has compiled and created a website for families with items that were shared at the meeting.

Please take the time to read this very useful information. The website is: ak-cyber-safe.weebly.com



A Cyber Safety Evening for Parents

Please join us for a parent evening to discuss cyber safety issues as they relate to students. NLABC Board Member and parent Ryan Radford will host this event, joined by law enforcement representatives from the FBI and APD.

For All NLABC Parents Due to the sensitive nature of topics, please do not bring children under 12 years old.

Thursday December 5th at 6:00 pm NLABC Multi-Purpose Room

In November, students in grades 6-8 were given a presentation about online safety. This parent presentation is a follow-up meeting for parents to learn more about how they can help protect their students online and answer parents' cyber safety questions.

We hope to see you there!

Help the kids have outdoor recess **everyday**. We are in need of noon duties

Would you like to help? Call 742-7500 OR apply at https://www.asdk12.org/Page/2390



Congratulations to the 5th & 6th grade teams that will be representing NLABC at the District Battle of the Books in January.

First Team: Clair Jong, Rayana Carpenter, Catalina Whited.

Second Team: Leigh RIvera, Lora Rivera, Andy Zang.

NAWIC Education Foundation







The National Association of Women in Construction program introduces children to the construction industry in an effort to create awareness and promote careers in the industry. It also promotes STEM learning. The students in Mrs. Hughes class competed and had to use blocks to make a design of a building using very little materials. The winners are: **1st place - Andrew Hippler 2nd place - Jace Griffith**

3rd place - Jaegar Huelskoetter

Gloves Gloves Gloves

We started this year with a full box of gloves that our Nurse and a few parents donated.

Please encourage your students to return any gloves to the Nurse as we only have a few pairs left.

We are also accepting gloves for our box.

Siblings are not automatically enrolled into NLABC

Do you have a sibling entering Kindergarten this year? Please remember to enter your child in the online lottery process! The **lottery opens January 1**st. <u>Siblings are not automatically entered</u>, but are entered into the lottery process manually.

Do not forget to write you have a current student/sibling that is already enrolled in Northern Lights ABC.

You may access the online lottery through your current ASD student's Zangle Parent Connect account. Children are eligible to go through the lottery if they will be 5 years of age on or before September 1 of the year that they will start kindergarten.

The deadline for submitting a lottery application online for the 2020/2021 school year closes during the last couple weeks of March.

You can also use the link: <u>ASD Lottery System</u>



Volleyball's ended on a winning note! A big thank you to all the players and the coach.

The End of Season Party is Friday, January 10th 2:45pm-4:30pm in the Art Room

Basketball is starting! - January 13th 3:15pm 7th & 8th Grade boys who want to participate should submit all forms to the front office. Forms are on the website at: <u>NLABC Middle School page</u>



2019-2020 Middle School Spirit Days

Friday, January 10 - NFL Day Friday, February 7 - Sock Hop Sadie Hawkins Dance Thursday, March 5 - Super Hero Day Friday, April 10 - Guys in Ties, Girls in Pearls Dance Friday, May 1 - Dress like your Favorite Teacher Day Wednesday, May 20 - 8th Grade Recognition Ceremony

> All ASD and school dress code rules apply. Dances are held in the MPR 3PM - 4:30pm. Permission slip and fee required.

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

- Dec 20- Jan. 3Winter Break: NO SCHOOL
- Thursday, Jan. 9Middle School Academic Awards 2:00pm
- Friday, Jan. 10Second Quarter Academic Awards 8:30am 10:30am
- Friday, Jan. 17Primary Spelling Bee (grades K 3)
- Monday, Jan. 20Martin Luther King Jr. Day: NO SCHOOL
- Friday, Jan. 24Intermediate Spelling Bee (grades 4 6)
- Tuesday, Jan. 28Battle of the Books District Battle (grades 5-6)
- Thursday, Jan. 30Battle of the Books District Battle (grades 3-4)



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