



March 8, 2019

Dear North Creek Families,

Hopefully, our reading month activities are inspiring your child to read more at home! We are definitely doing more reading in our classrooms as well. All of this extra reading usually results in lots of extra growth for our learners. Just a reminder that have challenged the students to read 15,000 books during the month of March. If we reach our building wide goal, students will celebrate by watching me get a pie in the face.

It's Time to Register for Young 5's and Kindergarten

If you have a child who will be in Young 5's or Kindergarten next year, please complete and return those packets as soon as possible. If you are hoping to register your child for Young 5's, please know that the registrations are on a first come first serve basis, until our classes fill up. Registration packets for both Young 5's and Kindergarten are due by April 1, 2019.

Getting those registration packets in will help us get started on our class placements.

Life Skill of the Month for March: Respond when you are greeted!

Parent Teacher Conferences

Our teachers will be meeting with some of our parents for parent teacher conferences on Wednesday evening. If your child's teacher requested a conference, please be prepared to learn about the progress your child has made and hear some suggestions for things he/she needs to improve in the classroom.

Importance of Attendance

School attendance is so important for our learners. A missed school day is a missed opportunity to learn. Of course, your child needs to stay home if he/she is ill. However, coming to school and arriving on time have a huge impact on your child's academic achievement and social and emotional health. We are noticing an increased number of tardies, for example 30 students arrived late on one of the days this week. Attendance letters will be sent home soon to the families of students who have attendance concerns. Please help us by getting your child to school on time! School starts at 8:00.

Diverse Books in Our Classrooms

As you know, we are working our way through the implementation of new curriculum for reading workshop this year. We are excited about the growth we are seeing in our students. To support the new curriculum, we have purchased a significant number of new books for each of our classroom libraries. The texts we selected for each grade level included a variety of levels, both fiction and nonfiction. We also specifically purchased books that contain



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diverse characters. We want all of our students to see diverse characters represented in the books they read.

PTO News

Our PTO is planning a Bus Driver Appreciation Breakfast! We need your help to show our bus drivers how much they are appreciated! Here is sign up if you are willing to help.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=s.signup&urlid=409054DAFA62DA57-busdriver1&useFullSite>

Our next PTO meeting will be on April 11 at 3:30 at South Meadows. We hope you will consider attending a meeting or two this year. No dues, no obligations, just a chance to hear what is going on in our schools.

Follow our PTO on Twitter: @ChelseaPTO

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Important Dates

March 12 & March 13 Author Dori Hillestad Butler will visit North Creek

March 13 Parent Teacher Conferences

(Your child's teacher will contact you if he/she would like a conference.)

Report Cards will be sent home.

March 22 Final March is Reading Month Assembly

March 25 - 29 No School (Spring Break)

April 4 Wild Swan Theater will visit North Creek

April 11 PTO Meeting at South Meadows at 3:30

Have a wonderful weekend!

Kimberly Gillow, Principal