



NORTH CREEK ELEMENTARY

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October 30, 2020

Dear North Creek Families,

The end of October is here and we successfully completed another week of learning together. It was wonderful to see so many of our families at our parade today! We sure know how to back up traffic. :)

Fall is my favorite time of the year! From my office window, I have a perfect view of our playground which is framed right now with the most beautiful, vibrantly colored trees. When you add the sounds of laughter and the sight of our little ones running around playing, it reminds me each day that there is so very much to be thankful for.

Arrival and Dismissal Support

Thank you for your patience during arrival and dismissal. Safety is our top priority. **Please make sure you pull all the way up in our lines.** Not only does it help us fit more cars in the line, but it makes a major difference to keep our process running smoothly.

Dismissal is at 2:00. Please make sure you are on time. Some parents are arriving late each day. Arriving on time helps us keep the whole line moving, prevents students from having to wait outside longer and allows teachers to maximize their planning time since students need to wait in their rooms until you pull into the parking lot.

Tips to Help Your Learner At Home

1. Make sure your child's learning zone is distraction free.
2. Make sure your child has their materials ready in their learning zone.
3. Make sure your child is really practicing reading during independent reading time (right after the mini lesson) for at least 30 minutes. This will need to increase throughout the year as children build stamina.

A Note From Our Nurse

Thank you for filling out your daily screener. You are doing so much to help keep our district safe! Just a quick note, if your child is ill for their in person day and they have symptoms on our daily screener, please follow-up with your pediatrician for an alternate diagnosis and possible testing for COVID. At this point, we can't assume allergies or even a simple cold.

Please note, if someone in your home (or someone who is a close contact with your child) is being tested your child should stay home until you receive the results. With your help, we can keep our schools in person. Thank you again for all you are doing, it is making a difference.

Marijane Nelson, R.N.



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Grants from the Chelsea Education Foundation

North Creek applied for 3 grants from the Chelsea Education Foundation (CEF) this fall. I am thrilled to announce that two of those grants were fully funded and one was partially funded.

A grant for Magnetic Letters for our Kindergarten students was awarded for \$405.86.

A grant for Classroom Leveled Books was awarded for \$2,000.00.

A grant for Art Supply Kits for North Creek/South Meadows was partially funded for \$2,900.

We would like to thank the Chelsea Education Foundation and all of our community members who have donated to the Chelsea Education Foundation to help support our students and staff in their teaching and learning. We are so very grateful for your support and the support of the CEF for our schools.

NWEA Score Reports

Over the past month, Kindergarten through eighth grade students took the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) test. This assessment helps us determine each child's instructional level and needs, guide instructional planning, and measure progress throughout the year. This year, the assessment also helps us meet the requirements of our State Continuity of Learning plan.

Your child's score report will be coming home with him/her next week. As you look at these scores, we wanted to remind you of the unique nature of this testing window and the impact that this may have had on your child's score. These scores are one snapshot into your child's current skills and are used along with classroom-level observations and assessments to guide instructional planning for your student.

Commitment Survey for 2nd Trimester

The North Creek Commitment Survey for 2nd Trimester will be coming via email at the end of next week. We will once again be asking each family to make a commitment for their child. The deadline for completing the survey will be November 9.

Hybrid Families - Extra Set of Clothes + Clean Mask - All students need an extra change of clothes in their backpack in a large ziplock with their name on the bag. We will ask them to keep it in their locker for emergencies (spills, accidents, mud puddles, etc). We also need you to send an extra clean mask in a ziplock bag marked with your child's name on it in his/her backpack.

Calendar Notification **November 12 is a full day of school for students.**

Our teachers have an optional professional development opportunity that evening. The way it is written on the district calendar is a little confusing.

North Creek Book Fair - Extended until November 5!

Thank you to all who ordered books from the North Creek Book Fair this week! We are extending the Book Fair until November 5. We appreciate your support of our school. Happy reading!



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Operating Millage – Please exercise your right to vote on November 3

The Chelsea School District has an important Operating Millage coming up. It will be on the ballot on November 3.

[Information on the Chelsea School District Operating Millage](#)

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Positive Behavior Expectations: Be safe. Be Responsible. Be Respectful. Be Kind.

Important Dates

November 3 Please vote!

November 6 North Creek Commitment Survey for 2nd Trimester sent out to families

November 9 North Creek Commitment Survey due

November 12 Full day for Students (IMPORTANT - This is confusing on the district calendar.)

November 24 End of 1st trimester

November 25 No school for students, ½ day a.m. for teachers

November 26 - 27 No School - Thanksgiving Break

Go Bulldogs!

Kimberly Gillow, Principal