



"Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I PRESS ON toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." *Philippians 3:13b-14*

# HURRICANE WATCH

January 13, 2020

Week 20

2019-2020 School Year Theme

## New Mission Offering Opportunity

Starting in January, NLS is implementing an easier process for supporting our mission project. Mission offerings are a voluntary way to financially support this year's project, Vietnam Mission to the Hmong. Students and families are encouraged to remember this mission in your prayers and with financial offerings. Students will be receiving a Monday chapel offering envelope in their Monday folders. That envelope can be used as a reminder and tool for giving a mission offering. Envelopes can be placed in the small church in the main school building at anytime throughout the week. Thank you for your support of our mission project efforts.

## End of 2nd Quarter

The second quarter of the school year came to an end on Friday, January 10. Second quarter report cards for K-8 will be distributed Tuesday, January 21. Included with those report cards will be the second quarter attendance records. Please note that excused and unexcused absences or tardies are are totalled to determine the actual number of absences and tardies. See p.19-20 of the Parent Handbook for the complete attendance policy. Church attendance for the quarter will also be reported with the printed report card. Our school year continues to go well under God's grace. We are so blessed to have all 65 of our students in preschool through 8th grade. Every day we treasure the opportunity to share God's Word with them and teach them more about the world He created.

## Winter MAP Testing

Our next round of MAP testing will begin this week. Each student in our school will take these computer adaptive assessments to help us track learning progress and help our teachers make data-driven educational decisions. Results will be available during February p/t conferences.

## Upcoming Events

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| <u>January 13</u>    | Winter MAP Testing Begins<br>Chapel Service, 11:15 AM   |
| <u>January 14</u>    | Piano Lessons<br>Basketball practice, 3:15-4:30 PM  |
| <u>January 15</u>    | Parent Forum, 6:30 PM   |
| <u>January 16</u>    | LPS Presentation, 10:45 AM<br>Piano Lessons<br>Basketball Game, 4:00 PM at Messiah                            |
| <u>January 17</u>    | Tacos for Lunch   |
| <u>January 18</u>    | Beverly Hills Basketball Tournament   |
| <u>January 19</u>    | Worship, 8:00 AM<br>Sunday School & Teen Bible Class, 9:15<br>Adult Bible Class, 9:25 AM<br>Worship, 10:30 AM |
| <u>January 13-24</u> | Winter MAP Testing  |
| <u>January 20</u>    | No School - MLK Jr. Day   |
| <u>January 21</u>    | Report Cards and Attendance Reports<br>Bible Information Class, 6:30-8:00 PM                                  |
| <u>January 26</u>    | K-8 Sing for Worship, 10:30 AM  |

Visit our website for a complete [online calendar](#).

## Mission Offering Update

Our mission offering total for the year is \$65.06. Thank you for your support of the Vietnam Mission to the Hmong.



### **Luther Preparatory School Visitor**

Luther Preparatory School is a high school owned and operated by the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS) in Watertown, WI. Luther Prep exists to encourage, prepare, and train its students to serve God as a pastor or teacher in the WELS. Two former NLS students currently attend Luther Prep and several of our 7th and 8th graders will be visiting in March as part of a basketball trip. You are cordially invited to attend a presentation about Luther Preparatory School on Thursday, January 16 at 10:45am in the church. The presentation will be catered to the students, but people of all ages can enjoy this informative and entertaining presentation. You can learn more about LPS online, by phone, or email. Web: [www.lps.wels.net](http://www.lps.wels.net) Phone: (920)261-4352 Email: [info@lps.wels.net](mailto:info@lps.wels.net)

### **Parent Forum January 15**

NLS actively seeks parental involvement and input for carrying out our mission to provide an excellent education in a safe, Christian environment. Wednesday, January 15 will be the third of four NLS parent forums. We will meet at 6:30 PM in Mr. Mattes's classroom. Click <http://bit.ly/36lZqxM> to see the list of topics and indicate your intention to attend.

### **Now Accepting 2020-2021 Applications, VPK-8th**

The application period for the 2020-2021 school year is now open. If you know of a family that could benefit from the excellent, safe, and Christ-centered preschool through 8th grade education we offer, please have them contact Mr. Mattes to schedule a visit. Prospective families can learn more about the application process on our website: <http://www.northdalelutheran.org/school>. Enrollment information for current families will be available soon. Check future newsletters for more information.

### **Late Arrivals and Friday Lunch**

Beginning this month, there will be a new requirement for those that choose to order the Friday lunch option. Lunch orders will be recorded following morning attendance at 8:00 AM. Students arriving late to school may not be able to place a lunch order. This deadline provides processing time for our lunch volunteers. If you know your child will be late to school on a Friday, please contact your child's teacher before 8:00 AM to place their order. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Step Up for Students Renewal Open**

Renewal families can now apply through Step Up For Students for a Florida Tax Credit (income-based) Scholarship for the 2019-20 school year. **Please apply as soon as possible, as applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis in the order all documents are received.** Funding is limited. This year renewal families will have processing priority until February 29, 2020.

Here is some helpful information as you go through the renewal process:

- **Your username is the email address associated with the account.** If a parent has forgotten their password, they should select the "Forgot Password" link and a new, temporary password will be sent to them via email.
- **Parents can upload documents immediately to their online application.** They can also submit required documents via fax.

Please avoid last minute stress by renewing before the February 29 deadline. You can access your SUFS online account by following this [link](#).

### **Craft Club**

Thank you to Mrs. Chanele Herrin and Mrs. Julie Emerson for leading our first Craft Club meeting! It was great to have so many participants. The next Craft Club meeting will be February 20, 3:15-4:15 PM. Mark your calendars for the future Craft Club dates: February 20, March 12, April 16, and May 7. There will be no after school sports on these dates. Look for another participation survey ahead of the next Craft Club meeting. These surveys are very important so Chanele can prepare the materials for that project. Craft Club is for students in grades 2-8.

### **Bible Information Class Starting January 21**

If you're looking for a church home or just want to learn more about the Christian perspective taught at NLS, consider attending Pastor Vann's Bible Information Class (BIC). This class starts January 21 and runs Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:00 PM for 13 weeks. The class is free and a great way to dive deep into the truths of scripture. You can contact Pastor Vann by [email](#), phone, or stopping by his office with any questions or to sign up.

### **No School January 20**

School will be closed Monday, January 20 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Classes resume Tuesday, January 21.



## Mrs. Mattes Preschool

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### What we're learning:

- We're continuing our snow theme for this week. We'll continue reading books about snow and making snowmen.
- We'll be working on lowercase letters and getting familiar with them.
- We'll use snowmen and their buttons to practice counting to 20.
- Our Bible story of the week is *Jesus is Baptized*.
- Letter of the Week: K- Colson

**Mid-year Assessments:** This week I will be administering the VPK assessment again. This assessment will measure student progress and help me see what areas we need to work on the most for the next part of the year. Results will be shared at parent-teacher conferences in February.

**January Book Order:** January Book orders are going home today. Please order by **January 31**.

**Kindergarten Round-Up:** On Wednesday, January 29, our class will go over to visit Kindergarten and see what it is like. You are welcome to attend also. Each child is also invited to go on a special Kindergarten day later in the year to get the full Kindergarten experience.

**Class Activity:** One of the activities I have in mind this month requires matching nuts and bolts. If you have any that we could use, it would be greatly appreciated!

**Next Day Off:** Looking ahead, later this month the next day we will have no VPK is **Monday, January 20** for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

## Mrs. Schwartz & Miss Hardman's K-2 Grade

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**Bible passage to memorize** - On Friday (1/31) the students will recite: **Matthew 6:19-21** "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

### Spelling:

- 1 - Unit 18 - Test (1/17) bugs, cats, pigs, sits, runs, gets
- 2 - Unit 19 - Test on Friday (1/17).

### Reading:

**K** - SuperKid Hot Rod E o says /o/ Review all sounds, blending sounds to read CVC words. Sight words: is, it, like, a, I, off, the, my

**1** - Kites and Today I got a Gift Phonics: /a/ in cake, /i/ in bike, /o/ in bone, /u/ in flute, /e/ in these sight words: oh, only, day, good, very, want

**2** - The Gingerbread Man (we will read the classic tale and some variations on it).

### Math:

**K** - Count with understanding and recognize "how many" in sets of objects up to 20 continued practice

**1** - Recognize, name, and sort two and three dimensional shapes and Geometric Patterns

**2** - More Money.

**Word of God** - This week we will hear the Bible stories: *Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind* and *The Ten Lepers*.

**Science** - begins this week!

**MAP testing** - K-2 has two MAP tests (Reading and Math).

These tests will take place during this week on Wednesday and Thursday (plans are always subject to change).

**Field Trip - Save the date!** - Friday, January 31, 2020 will be our field trip to Clearwater Beach (weather permitting) to celebrate the 100th Day of School! If you would like to chaperone, please mark your calendars and complete your volunteer compliance by then. A detailed note will be sent home soon!



