

The Express

Dear Parents,

Our school year is off to a great start! Our returning students are so happy to see their friends at school, while our new students are quickly getting acclimated to our school routine and are beginning to make new friends and enjoy all the fun activities their teachers have planned.

Our Creative Curriculum encourages children to observe, explore, build, create and see what they can discover and learn. The curriculum and our development philosophy along with the guidance of our experienced teachers help each child to reach their own potential. We focus on four major areas of a child's development with the first being the social/emotional development. We work on helping with independent skills, gaining self-confidence and self-control, following rules and routines, and making friends and being part of a group. The second area is their large and small motor skills. Our playground is a wonderful area where the children can run, climb, jump, pedal tricycles, play ball, and work on their large motor skills. Inside the classrooms we provide a variety of small motor activities where all the children use and develop their fine motor skills. The third area of development is the cognitive or thinking skills. Throughout the classroom there are activities to encourage children to ask questions, think logically, sort and classify items, create patterns (all early math skills) and to problem solve. The fourth area we work on is their language skills. We teach them to use words to communicate with others, to listen and participate in conversations in both small and large groups, to increase their receptive and expressive language, to expand their vocabulary, and to recognize letters as well as their sounds. We do all this through play and we feel very strongly that children learn through play and hands on discovery.

Many of you will be coming for your "Special Day" at school soon in your child's classroom. The teachers and I encourage you to play with your child during this time as well as see and understand our curriculum in action. We hope that you enjoy your peek into what your child's day at school is like.

Our next family event is our annual Halloween Hoopla on Thursday, October 24th from 6:00-7:30. Since we do not have the children dress in costume during their class, this

is a perfect opportunity for them to come in costume as well as enjoy some special entertainment. This event is free and open to all NCNS families. Please bring your whole family for an evening of fun!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, my door is always open to you.



Warmest Regards, Gail

Dates to Remember

October

- 9 No School Yom Kippur / Northbrook Farmers' Market Lil' Pumpkin Event
- 18 No School Professional Day
- 21 NCNS Individual & Class Photos (Dolphins, Ducklings, Koalas, Pandas)
- 22 NCNS Individual & Class Photos (Bunnies, Turtles)
- 24 Halloween Hoopla Family Party 6-7:30pm @ School

November

- 6 Family Dinner Fundraiser at Marcello's
- 9 NCNS Open House 10-11am @ School
- 21 No School Fall Conferences (Koalas, Pandas)
- 21 Hip Hip Hooray Shopping Night
- 22 No School Fall Conferences (Bunnies, Ducklings, Dolphins, Turtles)
- 27-29 No School Thanksgiving Break

December

- 23 Start of Winter Break
- 30 Winter Break Playdate at "Pump It Up" Glenview

It's a Boy!

Big brothers, Spencer & Wesley, welcomed a new baby brother, Jackson Lucas. Congratulations, Hogan Family!

Big brothers, Jack & Luke, welcomed a new baby brother, Drew Jameson. **Congratulations, Dolin Family!**

It's a Girl!

Big brothers, Harrison & Davis, welcomed a new baby sister, Elizabeth Marlen. Congratulations, Soper Family!

October Birthdays

Brooklyn Denes Aisha Filippello Colin Gosser Catherine Lauer Jordan Lin Jordyn McBride Evan Seay Emerson Wisnieski Dexter Wyton

2019-2020 Room Parents

Thank you, Volunteers!

Bunnies

Jen Kleckner & Carreen Morrison **Ducklings** Chanel Pike & Beth Spaniak **Dolphins** Andrea Denes & Christine O'Malley

> **Turtles** Jenni Roth & Jackie Smith

Koalas Andrea Denes & Kristyn Klein **Pandas** Laura O'Brien & Anthony Sandoval

Spirit Wear



Show your NCNS pride! Don't miss the chance to order NCNS Spirit Wear. If you have any questions, please contact Chanel Pike at *chanellwing@gmail.com*. Extra order forms and samples are available in our classroom hallway.

Save the Date!

Wednesday, October 9, 9:00am-12:00pm Lil' Pumpkin Day at the Northbrook Farmers Market

Come celebrate Fall with NCNS and the Northbrook Farmers Market for "Lil' Pumpkin Day." NCNS will host the pumpkin decorating table. Bring along friends and family as we enjoy Northbrook's last Farmers Market of the season!





Monday, October 21 Dolphins, Ducklings, Koalas & Pandas

Tuesday, October 22 Bunnies & Turtles

Picture Day

Say "Cheese!" NCNS Picture Day is coming up, and we are happy to announce that renowned photographer, Kevin Hammett, will be back again to capture our favorite faces!

Kevin recommends casual, bright colored clothing (avoid black and white, if possible). Individual and class photos will be captured. Each family will receive an email direct from KH Photography to order.

Save the Date for Halloween Hoopla

A not-so-scary evening, enhanced with all new tricks and treats! Kids' Costume Parade and a performance by Miss Jamie on the Farm!

Thursday October 24th 6 – 7:30 pm Westminster Hall at NCNS

Miss Jamie's

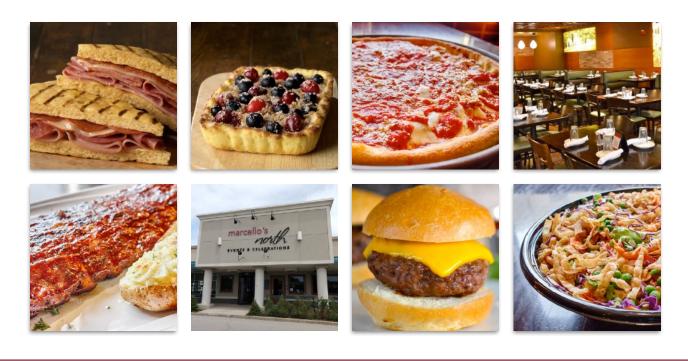
Family Night at Marcello's

Join us for Family Night while supporting NCNS! Bring this flyer into Marcello's and **15% of your order will be donated back to the school** - Dine In or Carry Out. To sit with NCNS families, please arrive at 5:30/6pm, so we can try and grab some tables together!

November 6, 2019

5pm to 9pm (Offer is good ALL DAY on 11/6)

> 1911 Cherry Ln Northbrook, IL 60062



NCNS Open House

Saturday, November 9, 10am-11am

The NCNS Open House is almost here! Please invite your friends and neighbors with young children to join Gail Nemoy and our teachers for a tour of the classrooms and a hands-on NCNS experience. This is the perfect opportunity for families and our community to learn all about our preschool programs. Children are encouraged to come and explore!

Interested families should contact Gail Nemoy at (847) 272-5430 or Jessica Kray at (312) 507-7146 for additional information.

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Save the Date!

Hip Hip Hooray Shopping Night Thursday, November 21 840 Willow Road

Mark your calendars for the annual NCNS Holiday Shopping Night at Hip Hip Hooray! Northbrook's favorite toy store will host NCNS families & friends, donating 10% of the evening's purchases back to NCNS. Enjoy complimentary wine and sweet treats as you shop with friends. Stock up for the holidays or for all those upcoming birthday parties...and have the gifts wrapped for free. We hope you can join us!



Save the Date!



Wild, Wild West



Saturday, March 7, 2020 Evening cocktails and appetizers at Jolane's in Glenview

Calling all parents! Grab your finest flannel and cowboy hats and join us for an evening filled with dancing, live and silent auctions, and much more!

Connect with us on Facebook!

Like our page to access updates, activities, and tips! You can also help to grow our community by clicking "share" when you see a post that your friends might like.

Join us today at <u>www.facebook.com/</u> <u>NorthbrookCommunityNurserySchool</u>.

Car Magnet Contest

Show your family's NCNS pride by displaying your car magnet during drop-off for a chance to win a \$10 Starbucks gift card! Missing your magnet, or need an additional one? Please contact Gail Nemoy for a magnet.







JOIN YOUR NCNS FRIENDS FOR OUR ANNUAL



Winter Playdate



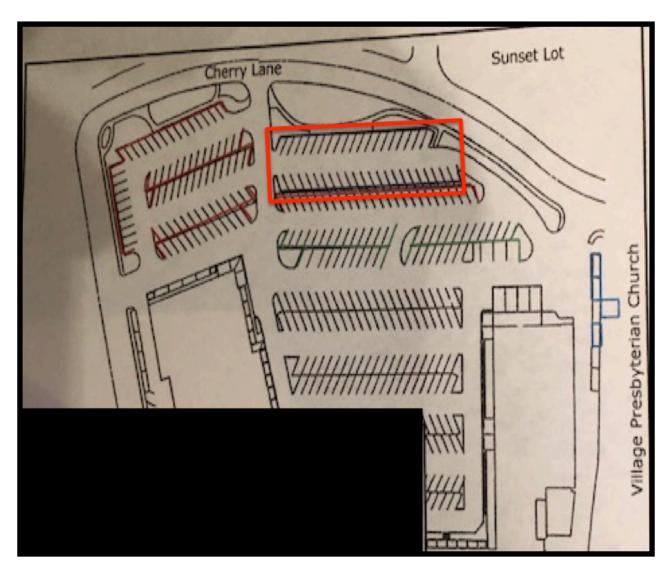
WE' RE BOUNCING INTO WINTER BREAK AT

PUMP IT UP 1857 ELMDALE AVENUE, GLENVIEW MONDAY, DECEMBER 30 9:30-11:00 AM \$12 PER CHILD*

SIBLINGS & FRIENDS WELCOME!

***PUMP IT UP** WILL DONATE 50% OF ADMISSION PROCEEDS TO NCNS

NCNS Designated Parking at Meadow Shopping Plaza



As tenants of The Village Green Presbyterian Church, we have been designated a specific parking area to be used exclusively for NCNS pickup, drop-off, and school events (Monday-Friday). Please use **ONLY** the designated parking area – as highlighted red in the above map (1st rows in from Cherry Street) for any and all NCNS related events to avoid parking overspill and disruption to local business.

Thank you, we appreciate your cooperation!

