



NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Welcome to another issue of our monthly newsletter! We're excited to continue sharing the great things happening at Northside Elementary School and keeping you connected with the work our students and staff are doing each month. There's always more happening than we can fit on a couple pages, but we're glad to highlight some of this month's standout moments.



Upcoming Dates to Remember

12/24 - 1/2
Holiday Break

1/5 - School is back in session

1/5 - School Board Meeting
@ 5:30pm (Wi-Fi Cafe located
at Benson High School)

1/9 - End of Semester
Early Release for Students

1/19 - No School

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See you next year!

On behalf of Northside Elementary and Benson Public Schools, we wish all of our students, families, and staff a joyful holiday break. May this time be filled with rest, happiness, and special moments with loved ones. We wish you a safe and healthy break and look forward to welcoming everyone back in the new year. We'll see you next year!

BRAVES BUDDIES SPREAD HOLIDAY CHEER

Students at Northside recently shared a special moment with their Braves Buddy by working together to create Christmas cards for residents at a local assisted living facility. This thoughtful activity gave students the opportunity to connect with one another while spreading kindness and holiday cheer beyond the classroom. It was a meaningful way to spend time together before heading into Christmas break and a reminder of the positive impact small acts of service can have on others. The Christmas card project is just one example of how Braves Buddies brings students together throughout the year. At Benson Schools, we are dedicated to fostering meaningful connections among our students.

The Braves Buddies program pairs students several times during the school year for activities that go beyond academics, including games and projects that promote teamwork, camaraderie, and shared experiences. Through these interactions, students build relationships, strengthen social skills, and develop a strong sense of belonging within our school community.





VPK Family Engagement Day

Our Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten and School Readiness classes recently welcomed families into the classroom for a Holiday Family Engagement Day. Students, parents, and guardians spent time together creating festive holiday crafts, filling the classrooms with creativity and seasonal cheer.

This event was a wonderful opportunity to strengthen family engagement and celebrate the season together. Thank you to our VPK teachers for organizing such a fun experience, and to the families who participated and helped make the day special.

Food Service Shout Out

A big thank-you to our Northside food service staff for going above and beyond for our students! On the last day of school before holiday break, they prepared a festive breakfast surprise that brought extra excitement to the morning and helped students start the day on a positive note. We appreciate the care, creativity, and dedication our food service team shows each day in supporting our students and school community.



VFW "Americanism" Contest

Northside Elementary students participated in the Post 1403 VFW and VFW Auxiliary Americanism Contest, sharing what America means to them through art and writing. Kindergarten through fourth-grade students created drawings, while a fifth-grade student wrote an essay focused on the meaning of Americanism. We are proud of all who participated.

This year's winners are Deacon Williams (Kindergarten), Claire Larson (1st Grade), Peyton Carruth (2nd Grade), Stella Michaelson (3rd Grade), Clara Klucas (4th Grade), and Amelia Kowal (5th Grade, not pictured). Thank you to Post 1403 VFW and the VFW Auxiliary for supporting this meaningful opportunity for our students.

2nd Grade Artwork



Northside Holiday Candids



December Braves Way Winners

