

Northwest Christian Academy Newsletter April 2022

Happy April!

I hope you have a wonderful spring break this coming week. We are now moving into the final stretch of the school year, with the finish line in sight. April is a very busy month as we have IOWA assessments and spring Parent-Teacher conferences taking place. With that said, the event we will be focusing on the most this month is the celebration of Good Friday leading to Easter Sunday. Having young children, I enjoy watching their excitement around Easter egg hunts and the celebrations we take part in as a family, but above all, it's the conversations my wife and I get to have with them about why we celebrate Easter that brings about the most joy.

Amidst the joy and celebration, Easter is also a sobering reminder of why Jesus needed to die on the cross, because of our sin. Despite our sin, we can celebrate Easter with joy and thankfulness because of God's unwavering pursuit of us. Throughout the days leading up to Easter, our hope as a school is that this truth resonates throughout our classrooms, our conversations, and our actions. Our desire is that the true meaning of Easter is firmly planted in each one of our students.

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed." – 1 Peter 2:24

Best Regards, James Hall Principal

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR, April 19th—April 23rd

Our school is conducting a Scholastic Book Fair to motivate students to read more and to raise money to purchase books for our classrooms and library. Working closely with Scholastic to follow strict safety guidelines, we're excited to offer this fun experience to students and families. Students will attend with their class during the week and parents are welcome to shop after school: Mon-Tues 3-3:30pm, Wed-Fri 12-5pm.

Volunteer opportunities are available; please contact Joyce More at <u>jmoore@ncslacey.org</u>. Please watch for more details.

UPCOMING DATES:			1
<u>April 2022:</u>		<u>May 2022:</u>	I
End of Progress 3	4/1	Teacher Appreciation Week	5/2-6
Spring Break—No School	4/4-8	Mom's Breakfast	5/6
Campus Closed - Good Friday	4/15	No School	5/9
Scholastic Book Fair	4/18-22	Last day to order Yearbook	5/11
IOWA Testing 1st-8th	4/18-22	Spirit Day—Fancy Day	5/20
Parent/Teacher Conferences	4/20-22	Passport Testing K-4	5/26
12:00 Dismissal		Memorial Day—Campus Closed	5/30
Passport Testing K-4	4/28		
Spirit Day - Color Wars Day	4/29		1
PE Testing	4/25-29		J
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GOOD FRIDAY

There is no school and campus is closed on Friday, April 15th for Good Friday. Have a great Easter weekend!

SPRING BREAK

No school April 4-8. Enjoy a wonderful week off!



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No school April 4 - April 8, for Spring Break. The NCA Office will be closed.

CAMPUS CLOSED

Reminder: Our campus will be closed Friday, April 15 in observance of Good Friday.

EXTENDED CARE SIGN UP REMINDER

All families in need of extended care must pre-register, preferably 24 hours in advance, in order to properly staff our care hours. For March registration, <u>www.ncslacey.org/extended-care</u>. Registration links can always be found in the Wolverine Weekly and on our website under the parent tab. Care is offered from 6:30-7:45am and 3-6pm and is charged through FACTS at \$5.50/hour. <u>A service fee of \$5.00 will be charged for each instance of an unregistered student attending ex-care, on top of the hourly rate.</u>

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Teacher appreciation week is coming up the first week of May. Teacher "My Favorite Things" have been added to an album on the <u>NCA Families</u> Facebook Page. A Sign Up Genius link will be coming out in next week's Wolverine Weekly so families can sign up to help provide lunches during this week.

NCA 2021-22 YEARBOOK

Yearbooks are on sale now. Yearbooks can be ordered through May II and are \$21.61 (after tax is \$23.64) each. If you haven't registered with tree ring, go to <u>www.treering.com/validate</u> and enter our school's personal passcode: 1014762067131718. Two personal customizable pages are free with purchase and will ONLY be in your student's yearbook. (You can also choose not to have custom pages.) The deadline for custom pages to be finished is May 4th. For questions, please contact <u>sbreda@ncslacey.org</u>. Need step by step instructions. Go online to <u>ncslacey.org/nca-newsletters</u>.

STANDARDIZED TESTING—APRIL 18-22

Grades 1st-8th, please ensure that your child gets plenty of rest, has a healthy breakfast, and arrives to the school on time so they are at their optimum for testing. Please do not schedule outside appointments for your child during this week so that they are present for their testing sessions.

PE TESTING—APRIL 25 & 26, MAY 2 & 3

PE Physical Fitness Testing is coming up April 25 & 26, May 2 & 3. We test 5th-8th grades. There are different physical fitness tests: 1 mile run, PACER, curl-ups, pushups, sit and reach, and shoulder stretch. This is graded and it will be based on participation (must complete all 6 tests).

Boys will be testing on Monday April 25 and Monday May 2. Girls will be testing on Tuesday April 26 & Tuesday May 3. Students will have opportunities to redo tests or make up missed tests during their regular PE class period April 27-29 & May 4-6.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/teacher conferences will be coming up on April 20-22. We are switching to an online registration for our conferences! You can visit <u>https://www.picktime.com/ncsptc2022</u> to register with your student's teacher(s). For any questions regarding the new registration, please email Kayden Spithaler at <u>kspithaler@ncslacey.org</u>.

April 20-22 will be half days with student pick up at noon. If you need care for your student after school these days, please visit <u>www.ncslacey.org/extended-care</u> to pre-register.

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