



# NORTH FORK SCHOOL OF INTEGRATED STUDIES

December 18th, 2018

## **Christi's Corner:**

### **Calendar:**

#### **Next week and Upcoming**

- 12/19 - 3rd and 4th grade play at school at 2PM
- 12/20 - 3rd and 4th grade play for parents 6pm (students arrive at 5:30)
- 12/21 - Last day of school 2018, hot cider party and play in the park
- 1/8 Back to school
- 1/9 - Start mechanics enrichment
- 1/10 - Bassoon Assembly 2PM

#### **Gratitudes:**

Thanks to our amazing Winterfaire crew, Katy, Meghann, Thesa and Pat. They orchestrated a beautiful event that created wonderful memories. Thanks to all parents who lent a hand that day to make the event a success.

**Volunteers:** We are looking for Community Council members to join us at the 4 scheduled meetings this spring. Community Council is a chance to learn more about our school and also will newly be a place to voice concerns, comments and celebrations as well as make things happen! CC will be absorbing the ACE committee in this way. Please see "Important Dates" for scheduled CC meetings.

#### **Announcements:**

Please put the new "Important Dates" up in your house so that you can be aware of all the happenings coming up for our school.

**PARKING** - It has come to our attention that Parking on our side of the building can be a problem. If you plan to stay for awhile and hang out with other parents while picking up your kids, please consider parking in the Votech gravel area across from Subway instead of behind teacher cars. Please walk your kids safely from the playground to your car, wherever it may be parked.



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**T- SHIRTS!!!** We now have NFSIS shirts and they are LOVELY, thanks to Seth Weber and lasting Impressions. Please see the attached picture. We are starting to make a shirt order - they will NOT be ready before the holiday. If you would like to order a shirt, please email Christi directly at [christi.gubser@deltaschools.com](mailto:christi.gubser@deltaschools.com) or sign up for one at the list Specify Child or Adult XS through XL. Shirts run large. Let's take our school spirit out into the streets of the North Fork and beyond. Tshirts are \$18 dollars each. Our cost is \$10 per shirt, so the funds raised will go right back into the school.

**3rd - 6th grade parents** - please look at the Powderhorn dates and return the sheets to us as soon as possible so that we can put together ride sharing for our skiing program this winter.

NFSIS is reaching out to the global community to support our Annual Giving campaign this year, and we encourage you to spread the word about our fundraising campaign through Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/donate/2019821991457943/> . If you are currently a Facebook user, you can click on the link and share the campaign directly through Facebook.

The funds raised through this campaign will contribute greatly to our Enrichment Program, which includes classes in Spanish, Handwork, Orchestra, Cooking, Gardening, Outdoor Skills, Woodworking, Rhythm and Eurythmy. Thank you for your support!

After the holidays, if you have toys to donate to our Kindergarten, we will gladly accept Waldorf style toys made of simple materials.

Do we have any parents who feel passionate about climate change? Please email Christi Gubser directly and I will put you in touch with someone who is trying to organize parents and kids to talk to the Delta County commissioner.

Our very own Thesa Calinicos is teaching Arts for All in January, starting January 8th. Let's make a Mural the Whole Town can Admire!

This clay based bas-relief mural will be such that anyone can tell the story from the picture. This mural will be hung outside the NFSIS and PES walls that face the playground. Children will build, design and assemble the mural tiles. A Class project for Art in our Community. Sign up through Arts for All on the Blue Sage website. It will be taught by Thesa Callinicos.



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### Details:

Tuesdays, 3:30-5:30

Jan. 8,15,22,29; Feb. 5,12; Mar. 5,12; April. 2,9

Unveiling date TBD

It is open to all North Fork students grades 4-8.

### Colleen's Chronicles:

Thank you to everyone who came out to WinterFaire. Your help and support was very much appreciated.

I would also like to thank my parent volunteers who spend time in class with the kids. I have enjoyed the help very much. It's always good to recharge!

Kindergarten like to have a pajama day on Friday the 21st.

### Jenica's Journal:

We will have a holiday class party on Friday at 1:30. We will make cookies in the morning so send your children with any toppings they would like to share. Also, please send a healthy snack to share with the other students to complement the cookies during our party.

**Show and Tell:** Please send your child with a favorite book, picture or drawing of your child's family, a favorite toy, and/or something to represent their favorite food. If you cannot make the date below let me know and we will reschedule.

12/19 - River

12/20 - Jasper

12/21 - Bonhymn

First, I want to thank all the parents for your amazing support with the Winter Faire. This season has been full of magical celebrations for the children.

We are finishing the last week of our Math block with the introduction to Prince Minus, subtractions. He is always losing things and at times has a touch that makes things disappear.

When we come back from break we will begin our first science block of the year. Also, Mr. Dave will begin Mechanics. I hope everyone has a wonderful and restful vacation.



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### Tricia's Tales:

The week before Winter break is always full of fun and this year, very busy! We are finalizing our play this week and have been rehearsing with our costumes and props. Please see the parent letter in today's folder for information about all the activities going on this week.

Thank you to all the parents who helped make the Winterfaire a success. It was such a cute and meaningful event for everyone!

The end of the semester is quickly approaching and reports will go out right after Winter Break. You will learn about all you child has learned and the progress they have made so far this year. Have a wonderful holiday and break. Hopefully you will get to spend time with family making memories. Thank you all for a great semester with the kids. I am looking forward to many fun and meaningful activities and projects in 2019!

### Lauren's Ledger:

Ah, the week before break is always full of fun. We are busy finishing our main lesson block and finalizing our books (everyone is encouraged to attend homework club this Thursday). This week, we are focused on Ancient Egypt. Good timing, for Mrs. T's class play is based in Egypt. We will culminate the block with a Egyptian feast, cooked by the children at school. No need for a packed lunch on Thursday :)

You will learn alot more about our curriculum and the progress of your children while reading reports, coming in the beginning of January. Have a splendid holiday full of relaxation and quality family time. Thank you all for a great semester with the best kids ! We have so much to look forward to in 2019!

Instead of homework this week, I am sending home graded math papers. Please go over any missed problems with your child. In addition, some children are finishing math word problems as homework. See *the twelve days of christmas* assignment, and complete it by Friday. Instead of spelling words, we are writing appreciation cards for our classmates. No spelling homework. Children are finalizing their literature projects. If they are not finished with *Sign of The Beaver*, complete the book at home as soon as possible.