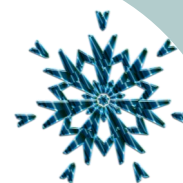


# New Groningen

## Elementary



### NG Family Carnival - January 22nd

The New Groningen Carnival is Friday January 22, 2016 at Cityside Middle School.

→ Food will be served from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

→ Games will run 6-8 p.m.

→ Information about pre-buying tickets will be in your child's Monday bag today.

**Donations are still needed for our theme baskets.** Please turn in all donations to your child's teacher by Wednesday, Jan. 13th.

Volunteers for games and food are still needed along with donations for the cake walk and dinner. Please go to <http://goo.gl/2Bs5GZ> to sign up online and for specific information about what is needed. Contact NGFA President Jennifer Agar, 616-748-0193, or email her at [jenniferagar3@yahoo.com](mailto:jenniferagar3@yahoo.com), if you have any questions or want to help but cannot sign up online.

More information on Carnival on page 3 of this newsletter!

### Kindergarten Information Meetings 2016-2017 School Year

Two Opportunities! Attend an information meeting on ZPS Kindergarten & Young 5's:

January 18th at 6:30 p.m. at Woodbridge Elementary, 9110 Woodbridge St.

Or January 19th at 6:30 p.m. at Roosevelt Elementary, 175 Roosevelt Ave.

Attend additional sessions to learn about our specialized programs:

ZQuest - January 18th or 19th at 6:00 p.m. (please also attend the info meeting at 6:30 p.m.)

Spanish Immersion - January 18th or 19th at 7:15 p.m. (please also attend the info meeting at 6:30 p.m.)

**Registration Day for all programs: February 2, 2016 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.:**

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The mission of New Groningen Elementary School, in partnership with staff, family and community, is to promote learning as a lifelong goal by providing opportunities for all students to succeed.



We believe in fostering relationships between staff, parents, and the local community. We believe in a safe and positive school environment where everyone is treated with respect. We believe that all children can learn through experiences and real life applications.



## NG Family Carnival Theme Basket Donations

The annual New Groningen carnival is fast approaching and will be Friday, Jan. 22.

The New Groningen Family Association is again asking for our generous families for donations to make the baskets.

The baskets will be raffled off at the carnival.

Each grade level is assigned two baskets and we are asking for families to donate items based on their grade level assignment, which is below.

All donations are due on Wednesday Jan. 13 and can be delivered to your classroom teacher. The baskets will be on display in the library windows starting Friday Jan. 15 through the day of the carnival.

Students will receive a free raffle ticket for donating item(s). The teachers will have the raffle tickets for the students and will direct the students to place their free raffle ticket(s) into the basket of their choice the week prior to the carnival.

### **Fifth grade:**

Dux (Dux athletic gear, Dux sports passes)

Baking with kids (cookie, brownie, cake mixes, cookie cutters, baking supplies)

### **Fourth grade:**

Chocolate lovers (any candy, chocolate)

Spring Break fever (anything to keep the family bust while traveling...movies, word search books, travel games, snacks)

### **Third grade:**

Detroit Tigers (a thing Detroit Tigers...t-shirt, poster, cup, hat)

Summer Fun (side walk chalk, bubbles, goggles, swim tube, beach towel, outdoor games)

### **Second grade:**

Sleepover (blanket, slippers, craft items, nail polish, hair items, movie)

Sports for kids (football, soccer ball, jump rope, tennis ball)

### **First grade:**

The gift of cards (gift cards to any store or restaurant)

Family movie/game night (games, movies, puzzles, card games, popcorn)

### **Kindergarten:**

Lego (lego sets, lego books, Lego stickers)

Arts and crafts (art supplies, craft items, school supplies)

## Calendar of Events

### **January:**

4th - Return to School

5th - Hearing and Vision Retesting

5th - Art Club - Session 2 begins after school

7th - iClub - Session 2 begins after school

13th - NGFA Carnival Chair Members Meeting at 2:30 p.m.

22nd - NG Family Carnival at Cityside

25th - No School for Students



Kindergarten

2016-2017

Registration

February 2nd

9:00 a.m.

To

6:00 p.m.



## Music Room Donation Needs

The music room is in need of unbent, CLEAN bottle caps -- at least nearly unbent ... can be difficult to do! They can be from any source, as any markings will be painted over.



## Next Art Club Session Sign Up

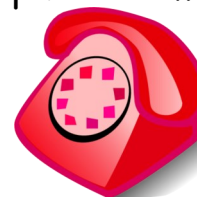
Copy and paste the following link into your web browser to sign up for the next Art Club session: <https://goo.gl/hx1bO2>

Session #2 runs from January 5th - February 23rd



## Absence Call In Requests

Please call your child (ren) in if they are going to be absent, and everyday after that if they continue to be ill. The attendance line is 748-3388. This phone number is available 24 hours a day. Thank you.



## Kohl's Birth to Booster Program

Please see the following pages for more information on birth to booster programs in our area for correct car seat/booster inspections.



# What to Bring to a Car Seat Safety Check

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## Lakeshore Events

Four-out-of-five car seats are improperly installed. Is yours one of them? We can help. The Helen DeVos Children's Hospital Injury Prevention Program offers free car seat inspections at various locations. **All inspections are free and require an appointment. Please call 616.748.2285 to schedule a time.**

### What to Bring:

- Your child must be present with you at the event.
- Bring vehicle that you most often travel in.
- Bring your Medicaid card (if applicable) for anyone in the household who receives it, and photo ID.
- If you are in need of a seat, bring cash or money order. Our seat pricing is as follows:

Convertible seat (5-65 pounds):	\$55 per seat (non-Medicaid)	\$25 per seat (Medicaid coverage)
Booster seats:	\$30 per seat (non-Medicaid)	\$15 per seat (Medicaid coverage)

*Please note, each child may only receive one of each type of seat through this program.*

- An appropriate seat type will be determined at the event.
- At the event, once you are working with a technician, the appointment will take approximately 30 minutes per seat or child.
- For a listing of our upcoming car seat safety check events, please visit [www.spectrumhealth.org/injuryprevention-lakeshore](http://www.spectrumhealth.org/injuryprevention-lakeshore).

### Checks for Expectant Mothers:

- You must be within 8 weeks of your due date.
- Bring vehicle that you most often travel in.
- Bring your Medicaid card (if applicable) and photo ID.
- At the event, once you are working with a technician, the appointment will take approximately 30 minutes per seat or child.
- If you are in need of a seat, bring cash or money order for \$25 if you are receiving Medicaid. If you are not receiving Medicaid, the cost of the seat will be \$55.
- If you are in need of a seat, you will not receive an infant carrier, you will receive a convertible car seat. The convertible car seat is a bigger seat that will stay in the vehicle. It is very safe for babies as little as 5 pounds. It keeps babies facing the back of the car until they are 40 pounds. After 40 pounds, the car seat can be moved forward facing until the child reaches 65 pounds.
- For a listing of our upcoming car seat safety check events, please visit [www.spectrumhealth.org/injuryprevention-lakeshore](http://www.spectrumhealth.org/injuryprevention-lakeshore).

## Upcoming Car Seat Safety Check Events

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### Kohl's Birth to Booster Program

#### Lakeshore Events

All car seat inspections are free. A limited number of low cost replacement car seats are available at all locations, for those who qualify. Children who need a replacement seat must be present with parent or legal guardian.

Visit [www.spectrumhealth.org/injuryprevention-lakeshore](http://www.spectrumhealth.org/injuryprevention-lakeshore) or [www.helendevoschildrens.org/injuryprevention](http://www.helendevoschildrens.org/injuryprevention) for more information. All safety checks require an appointment. Call 748.2285 to request at time.

**January 2, 2016 (Saturday)**

Georgetown Fire Station  
7480 36<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Hudsonville, MI 49426  
*9 a.m. to 12 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**January 28, 2016 (Thursday)**

Hudsonville Fire Station  
3275 Central Blvd.  
Hudsonville, MI 49426  
*5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**February 9, 2016 (Tuesday)**

Roosevelt Fire Station  
133 E. Roosevelt St.  
Zeeland, MI 49464  
*5 p.m. to 8 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**March 5, 2016 (Saturday)**

Georgetown Fire Station  
7480 36<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Hudsonville, MI 49426  
*9 a.m. to 12 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**April 12, 2016 (Tuesday)**

Hudsonville Fire Station  
3275 Central Blvd.  
Hudsonville, MI 49426  
*5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**May 16, 2016 (Monday)**

Barber Ford  
640 E 8<sup>th</sup> St.  
Holland, MI 49423  
*5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**June 16, 2016 (Thursday)**

Crown Motors Toyota  
11260 Chicago Drive  
Holland, MI 49424  
*5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**August 18, 2016 (Thursday)**

Crown Motors GM  
196 Regent Blvd.  
Holland, MI 49423  
*5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.*  
APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

## Upcoming Car Seat Safety Check Events

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**October 20, 2016 (Thursday)**

Ver Hage Mitsubishi of Holland  
343 East 8<sup>th</sup> St.

Holland, MI 49423

*5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.*

APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**Private Checks**

Spectrum Health Zeeland Campus

8333 Felch St.

Zeeland, MI 49464

*Based on tech availability*

APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

**December 5, 2016 (Monday)**

Elhart Automotive Campus-Nissan Building

822 Chicago Drive

Holland, MI 49423

*5 p.m. to 8 p.m.*

APPOINTMENT REQUIRED