

New Groningen Elementary

November 21, 2016

Community Action House

As a school we continue to teach our students how to positively impact others - in our school, in our community and in our world. This month (November/December) we are coming together as a school to bless others in our community. We will be collecting some specific items per grade level to donate to the Community Action House where they will be distributed to people in the area! We will collect these items from now through December 19, 2016.

Kindergarten – Whole Grain Pasta/Crackers

First – Oatmeal/Cream of Wheat/Brown Rice

Second – Cans of Soup

Third – Dish Soup

Fourth – Canned Veggies & Fruit

Fifth – Shampoo/Conditioner



Remember: No School Wednesday, November 23rd – Friday, November 25th

A Note from our Physical Education Department

Our elementary physical education department would like to extend a huge "THANK YOU!" to parents and community members who have donated bikes for our biking unit. We are so grateful for your kindness. Our students will benefit greatly by using these donated bikes. We would like to also thank a ZPS teacher and parent, Chad Lloyd, for graciously offering to help fix our broken down bikes this winter so they are ready to be used for the spring biking units. Thank you, everyone!



Bittersweet Ski Discount Cards Available

Attention Skiers! Bittersweet Ski Discount Card registration forms for students (\$16.00/ea) and adults (\$16.00/ea) are available in the school office. Stop in during conferences and pick one up. Don't miss out on an opportunity to save money on downhill skiing at Bittersweet. Return the completed form(s) to the school office no later than 11:00 a.m. on December 14th. The cards will come home before Christmas vacation. Any questions please contact Colleen Ball at 772-5826.

Students will become lifelong learners who are responsible, respectful, and prepared to be global citizens.

Yearbook Pictures

Continue sending field trip pictures to sbecktel@zps.org. We have received some great shots so far!

Upcoming Events:

November -

- 22nd – 5th Grade “The Talk” – 2:15 p.m.
- 23rd - 25th – No School - Thanksgiving Break
- 29 & 30 – 1st Grade Field Trip to DeGraaf Nature Center

December -

- 6th – Kids Hope Christmas Party (after school)
- 9th – ½ Day of School for Students – Dismissal at noon.
- 15th – NG Family Christmas Reading Night
- 16th – Popcorn Day
- 16th – ZHS Dance Program Assembly at 2:00 p.m. at NG
- 22nd – 5th Grade Native American Program
- 23rd – January 2nd – Holiday Break – No School

Custodial Positions Available at ZPS:

We currently have several Part-Time custodial positions available for evening and Saturday hours. You can find details at <http://www.zps.org/jobs/>

ZKids Reminder:

Nov 23rd – non-school day. We will be open only at Quincy & Woodbridge.

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.

The Salvation Army Angel Tree

Once again the holidays are upon us! We will be participating in the Salvation Army Angel Tree this year. Please stop by the front office and grab a tag off of the tree. Donations can be placed under the tree between November 22nd and December 12th. All donations need to be returned unwrapped with the tag attached by December 12th. Thanks in advance for making this a very Merry Christmas for everyone!



Exciting Happenings at NG



Thanksgiving Break – No School
November 23rd – 25th



50th Day of School Celebration



Fire Safety at NG

ZHS Dance Holiday Programs

Kick off your holiday season with the Zeeland High School Dance program on December 2nd and 3rd as they present, "Gifts of the Season." The evening performances are at 7:00 p.m. at DeWitt. Advance tickets are now on sale on school days from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in person at East High School, or by phone with a credit card by calling 748.3111. Adults \$10, ZPS Staff and Students \$5, Senior Citizens and Students \$8. For the matinee, Adults are \$8.

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.