

# New Groningen

## Elementary



Happy  
Thanksgiving

### Community Action House Donations

The donations for Community Action House are rolling in!! Hopefully during parent/teacher conferences you were able to see all the buckets that were filling up with items brought in for our community. Thank you so far for your generous giving! Keep the items coming in. The 'No Shave November' gentlemen are looking forward to a fun shave off once the items are tallied. There are many ideas of how they get to shave and who gets to do it!:) Below is a reminder of the items being collected at each grade level. We will collect these items until December 16, 2015.

Kinder - Peanut Butter & Shelf-Stable Fruit Cups

First - Oatmeal/Cream of Wheat & Ramen Noodles

Second - Shampoo/Conditioner & Bar Soap

Third - Toilet Paper & Tooth Paste

Fourth - Laundry Soap & Deodorant/Antiperspirant

Fifth - Canned Fruit (in its own juice) & Canned Vegetables (Low/Reduced Sodium)

### Next iClub Session Sign Up

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

Session #2 runs from January 7th - February 25th

### Scholastic Book Fair - 11/30-12/3

November 30th at 1:00 p.m. Opening Day

Students will be previewing the book fair on November 30th and December 1st. Students will have an opportunity throughout the week of the Book Fair to purchase books during their assigned classroom time. The book fair will be open during the school day if you would like to stop in and shop. Thursday we will be open from 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. for parents/teachers only. This is a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping!

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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.

**Zeeland Winter Baseball Club**  
 \*Zeeland Varsity Coaches from East and West Baseball will be organizing this clinic. All Boys Welcome.  
 Cost: \$55r / \$67nr  
 Day: Saturdays  
 Dates: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 27  
 Location: Zeeland East High School gyms  
 \* Includes a Tee shirt!  
 Ages: Time:  
 8-10 Yr olds 4pm - 5pm  
 11 - 13 yr olds 5pm - 6pm  
 \* Bring all Baseball gear you may have!



## Salvation Army Angel Tree - 11/23-12/10

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 23rd and December 10th. All donations need to be returned unwrapped with the tag attached by December 10th. Thanks in advance for making this a very Merry Christmas for everyone!

**Angel Tree Information:** Share the true meaning of the holiday season by helping children in need throughout West Michigan. With many families facing economic hardships, times can be tight during the holidays. The goal of the toy drive is to reach 25,000 local children by collecting toys to brighten their holiday season.

### Bittersweet Ski Discount Cards

Attention Skiers! Bittersweet Ski Discount Card registration forms for students (\$15.00/ea) and adults (\$15.00/ea) are available in the school office. Stop in and pick one up or call and have one sent home!! Don't miss out on an opportunity to save money on downhill skiing at Bittersweet. The cards will come home before Christmas vacation. Any questions please contact Colleen Ball at 772-5826.

### Protect Michigan Child - Web site Information

Are your children safe while online? Michigan families, especially minors, are becoming inundated with advertisements from alcohol, tobacco, pornography and gambling marketers through different internet and cell phone inboxes. Texting their advertisements is the newest marketing effort that many of these companies are using. Thankfully, the State of Michigan offers a free program to stop adult advertisements from reaching e-mails, mobile phones (text messaging ads) and instant messenger IDs. The Michigan Child Protection Registry, like the federal Do Not Call List, is a free do-not-contact service for Michigan's families and schools and can be located at [www.ProtectMICHild.com](http://www.ProtectMICHild.com).

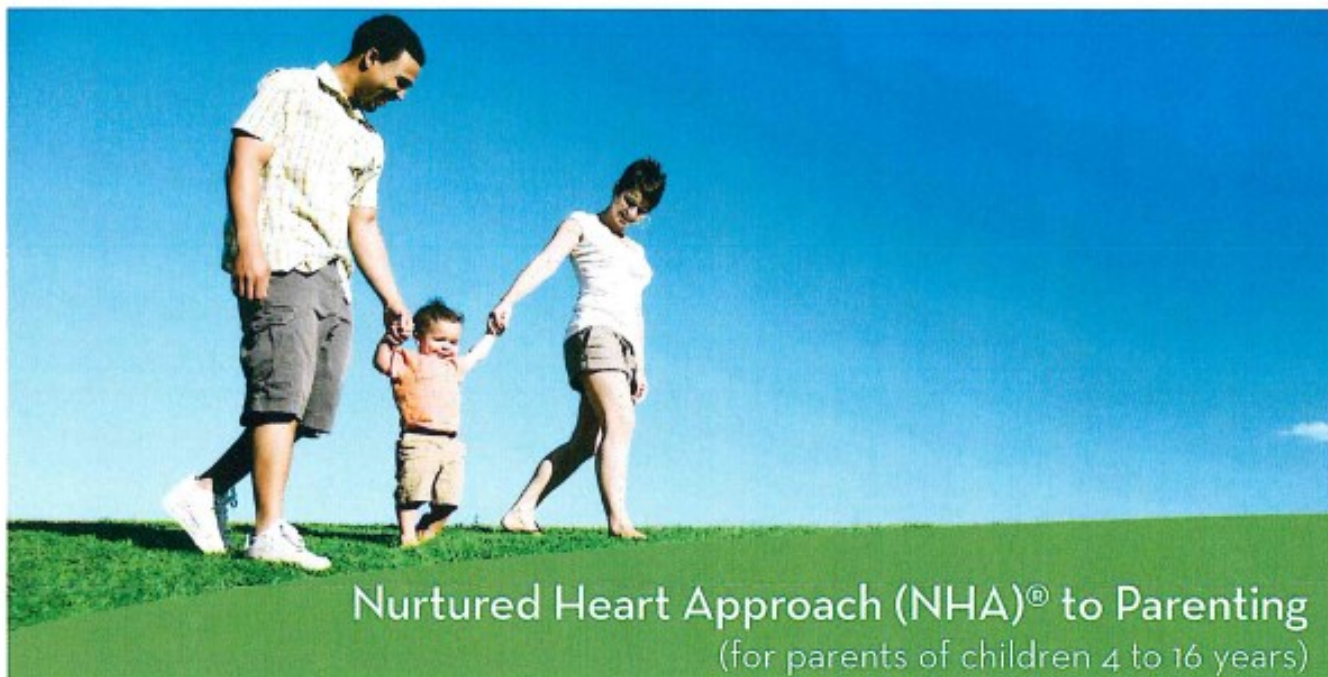
## Calendar of Events

### November:

- 24th - 5th Grade "The Talk" 2:15 p.m.
- 25th - 27th - Thanksgiving Break - No School
- 30th - Hearing Testing
- 30th - December 3rd - Book Fair
- 30th - Zeeland Christmas Parade - Downtown Zeeland

### December:

- 3rd - NGFA Meeting - 2:00 p.m.
- 10th - 1st Grade Field Trip to DeGraaf Nature Center
- 10th - Popcorn Day
- 10th - Last Day for Angel Tree Donation Drop Off
- 11th - Half Day of School for Students - 8:35 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Dismissal at noon.
- 16th - Last Day for Community Action House Drop Off
- 17th - ZHS Choir Concert Assembly - 3:10 p.m.
- 18th - ZHS Dance Ensemble Assembly - 9:30 a.m.
- 21st - January 1st - Christmas Break - No School +



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### Where:

Pine Rest Southwest Clinic  
4211 Parkway Place SW, Suite 100  
Grandville, MI 49418

### Cost:

\$90 for the series of classes  
One or both parents may attend for this fee  
The NHA<sup>®</sup> workbook for the class costs \$18.

### Facilitator:

William J. Rowell, Ph.D, ABPP  
NHA<sup>®</sup> Certified Trainer

### Registration:

Register by January 4, 2016 by calling 616.222.3700.  
Enrollment is limited.

### When:

**All sessions are Thursdays  
from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

**Session 1: January 14, 2016**  
"Introduction to the  
Nurtured Heart Approach<sup>®</sup>"

**Session 2: January 21, 2016**  
"Crucial Concepts of the  
Nurtured Heart Approach<sup>®</sup>"

**Session 3: January 28, 2016**  
"Techniques to Energize Success"

**Session 4: February 4, 2016**  
"Limit Setting and Consequences"

**Session 5: February 11, 2016**  
"The 3 Stands of NHA<sup>®</sup>, Working Together"

**Session 6: February 18, 2016**  
"Notching it Up!"

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