JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

February 15-19, 2016

Jump Rope for Heart is a fun event where you can jump rope, learn about your heart and how to keep it healthy, while raising money for the American Heart Association. Designed to promote physical activity and heart healthy living, Jump Rope for Heart helps raise funds to fight heart disease and stroke in an environment that’s fun! Through Jump Rope for Heart, kids learn jump rope skills, how their heart works and raise awareness and funds to help kids with special hearts. In addition, they learn how to stay healthy and make a difference in others lives.

The Jump Rope For Heart Kickoff Assembly is scheduled for Friday January 29th, at 8:45am. Last year we raised $17,200.00, which was about five thousand more than the previous year. Together we can raise more awareness and more money to help save lives!

NASH NIGHT OUT!

What could be more fun than going out to eat with family and friends? That’s right, enjoy a great pizza and the Pleasant Prairie Jimanos will donate a whopping 35% back to Nash! How cool is that?! Order in for your job, neighbors, friends, tell everyone at your job, your neighbors and your friends. All you have to do is mention “I’m with Nash School.” Don’t want pizza? No problem! They have salads and sandwiches among other goodies. Try the Italian Beef with cheese on garlic bread...you WON’T be disappointed!

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 11 11am—11pm
The next bake sale date is January 14. Remember to bring your quarters to school that day to make a purchase during lunch.

Once a month, the children can have a healthy snack of popcorn. This special treat is provided to all rooms for all kids, free of charge. The upcoming date is JANUARY 21st.

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!
Here’s how:

All proceeds from event will benefit the Nash Technology Fund.

Contact Kim Foster at ggmy00@aol.com with any questions or if you’d like to sponsor a table.
Friendly Reminders from the Nash Main Office

If a child will be absent from school, you must call the front office in the morning per school board policy 5310. When calling your child in for an absence, please indicate if the child is out ill (please specify if they have a fever or have been vomiting) or is missing for a reason other than illness. If a child has a fever, they must remain home until they are fever free for 24 hours without taking any fever reducing medication. If a child is sent home with a fever, the same rule applies. If a child is home or sent home vomiting they must remain home until they have not vomited for at least 24 hours.

If you are calling your child in late, please indicate if your child needs a school lunch (and indicate choice A or B). Lunches are ordered by 8:40 AM, if you have not notified the front office by that time, you will need to pack a lunch from home for your child. In an effort to reduce waste the district does not allow schools to order additional lunches. Teachers do give multiple reminders for students to make lunch choices during check-in. Please help your student remember to make their daily lunch choices. If a student does not make a lunch choice in the AM, the district offers a “negative balance lunch” for .50. The lunch typically consists of graham crackers, apple sauce and milk. Students that do not place orders in the AM will be given the negative balance lunch and charged the reduced lunch fee of .50.

Per school board policy 1600, any visitors to Nash must first check in with the front office. We have a computer set up in the front office for all visitors/volunteers to use for signing in/out. If you will be volunteering regularly at Nash, please see Pam to have your name entered as a volunteer. All other individuals should choose the visitor option when signing in/out.
Thank you to everyone who has already contributed the Box Top labels. Our last three contest winners won $15.00 gift certificates to the Scholastic Book Fair. And they are:

JENNY MIKOLAJCZAK
CALEB FOSTER
BAETHYN NICHOLS

The next contest will end on February 26, 2016. There will be again three winners so continue to collect the labels and send them in. Please send in your Box Tops in zip lock bags with your child's name, teacher, and class number. PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE THE EXPIRED BOX TOPS AS THEY WILL NOT BE COUNTED. Contact Judy Jhawar at judy.jhawar@gmail.com for any questions, comments or feedback.

Battle of the Books

Battle of the Books, or BOB, is a contest that encourages quality reading. Only 4th and 5th graders are able to become team members. Team members read from a list of 35 books chosen by librarians and teachers. Scores are kept and winners are recognized; however, emphasis is placed on working together as a team and the fun of participating in friendly competition.

The following kids are our 2015-2016 BOB Members:

Kristian Blagoev
Jenny Mikolajczak
Riya Patel
Elena Espada
Grace Kozel
Kaia Mismash
Isabel Corcoran
Morgan Genz
Aliana Rossell
Nami Gerritts
Erica Riberal

FAMILY READING NIGHT

Our next Family Reading Night will be a "Book Exchange!" Please join us on Tuesday February 9 (6:00-7:30PM). You are invited to bring in two gently used books and in return you may pick out one book to take home with your snack! The extras will be donated to Nash classrooms or the Nash school library. We will have a teacher or two conduct story time, creative projects, free reading time and several chances to win a raffle prize for your participation!
NASH ELEMENTARY PRESENTS

DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES

FRIDAY, FEB. 12TH @ 7:00 PM
Indian Trail High School auditorium
Doors open at 6:30 pm

$7.00 TICKETS

Available at Elemenary Office
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Princesses, &
Princes
Fairies

Join us in the Enchanted Forest

Nash Elementary
Father Daughter Dance

Saturday, February 27, 2016
Dinner and Dancing
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Basket Drawings
Professional Photographer

Parkway Château
12304 - 75th Street (I-94 & Hwy 50)
262-857-9006 ext. 14

Price: $35.00 per couple
Each additional child* $17.50
Optional corsages ($5.00)
may be pre-purchased.
*(Nash girls grades 4 -K through 5th)

Deadline to order tickets is Monday, Jan. 25, 2016. For proper planning, we cannot accept ticket orders past due date. NO REFUNDS will be issued - No tickets will be sold at the door. For medically restricted dietary questions, e-mail: gsantoro1995@gmail.com. For any other questions call (262) 412-6272.
Greetings to our Nash families. I hope you had a wonderful holiday season celebrating with family and friends!

We've had some very successful events this past fall including our Fall Festival, Book Fair, Pancake Breakfast and Vendor Fair. Our Kick-off Ice Cream Social was a great way to start the year and we had a very successful Fall Fundraiser. I want to thank all of you that participated in the events or volunteered to help. We are not successful without all of you!

A special shout-out should go to our Parent Patrols that help make sure our kids get to and from school safely. If you have any ideas on what could help increase the safety of our children, please forward your suggestions on to Mr. Pitts.

In the next few months, many of us will be attending the Dancing Through the Decades performance (February 12th), Casino Night (February 19th), the Father-Daughter Dance (February 27th), Mother-Son event, Science Fair, Enrichment Fair, Variety Show, Spring Book Fair, Live History Event, and 5th Grade Celebration. Hopefully, I haven't left any off the list. If a date isn't shown, it is still to be determined. There is going to be a lot more opportunities to volunteer to help out and we really do need the help. Please consider volunteering for our PTA. Those of you that signed up to help during the Ice Cream Social should be getting contacted in the near future if you haven't been already. If you'd like to help plan one of these events or help volunteer at the event, please send an email to myself (dmikolajczak@uline.com) or another officer and we will make sure the committee chair contacts you.

Another important volunteer opportunity exists within KUSD. Specifically, our KUSD PTA Council that serves all the PTA's in the Kenosha Unified School District needs some new members and officers. Our current President, Robert Nash, is in his last year of serving and the current Secretary and Vice-President, our own Emily Gerstung and Tonya Finch, respectively, are also stepping aside after serving for the past two years. One of the important roles that the Council takes on is in providing scholarships to current KUSD high school students to attend college. To learn more information about the KUSD PTA Council please plan to attend the January 25th 6pm evening meeting held at the KUSD Educational Support Center, located at 3600-52nd Street (just east of Kmart). With Nash holding the largest PTA membership within KUSD, I would encourage you to consider serving on the Council. No prior experience is required other than a willingness to participate. Please feel free to contact Emily or Tonya if you have any questions.

Dave

Wisconsin PTA Legislative Conference
Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016 10am - 2pm

Any one should and can attend Convention. It is a legitimate expense that should be a line item in your budget. Convention is where we conduct the business of the WI PTA. It is where we pass Resolutions to speak on your behalf, report to our delegates what your State PTA has been doing for you, share Legislative happenings, provide training for local PTAs, showcase Sponsors, Partners, Vendors and Exhibits, change the WI State Bylaws, vote in our State Officers during election years, hold the Reflections Program Reception for all our state winners, provide Workshops and get Program Ideas, have Keynote Speakers on important topics, give out scholarships and Awards, network with other PTAs and meet your WI PTA Board and National PTA Representatives.

Other reasons to attend Convention are to honor Teachers on the "Wall of Fame", Shop at the PTA Store, visit our Silent Auction, attend our annual Social and make new friends!
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Nash PTA Meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm in the library

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Every Friday during January, February, and March, the 4th and 5th grade students will be selling ice cream sandwiches to the whole school at lunch time for $1.00. We are emphasizing that students should bring in a $1.00 bill to buy the ice cream. That will help us sell quicker than if we have to stop and make change.

We are using this as a fundraiser to help offset the cost of our field trips.

Noteworthy Dates

Friday January 15 Action Territory Fundraiser Nite Out—4p-10p
Friday January 22 Teacher Work Day—NO SCHOOL
Friday January 29 Jump Rope for Heart Assembly—8:45 am
Monday, February 8 Choir Concert—Gifford Elementary
Tuesday February 9 Family Reading Night—Nash Library 6-7:30p
Tuesday, February 9 Choir Concert—Carthage College
Friday February 12 Dancing Through the Decades Performance—Indian Trails Academy
Wednesday February 17 WI State PTA Conference
Friday February 19 Casino Night Fundraiser—Parkway Chateau
Friday February 26 Box Top Contest ends
Saturday February 27 Father Daughter Dance—Parkway Chateau