

**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

- High School Spring Music Concert & Awards May 15 at 6:30 p.m.
- Kindergarten Graduation scheduled for May 24 at 1:00 in Tiger Arena
- Graduation scheduled for May 27, 7:00 p.m. in Tiger Arena

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MAY NEWS

NEVIS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MAY 2017

From My Position, Gregg Parks.....

The spring time is always a time within the world of education to say “goodbye for now” to our seniors and some of our staff. This year we will be graduating an amazing bunch of students. I cannot wait to see the impact these young men and women will have on the world. We will also be saying “goodbye for now” to some of our faculty members as they move on to other places in life. First of all, we would like to say thank you for her years of service to Gwen Adickes. Gwen has worked in the ala carte line taking care of all of us for the past 10-11 years. We also want to wish Math Teacher Ed Heltunen the best. Ed has been a solid member of the math and coaching department for the past 12 years. He will be taking a break to work in his family business. Mark Hamborg will be retiring this summer as one of our custodians. Mark has dedicated himself to the school as a custodian and a Robotics mentor for 20 years. Finally, we want to wish 6th grade teacher Tom Stambaugh the best as he retires for the second time in life. Tom has been a part of our teaching, coaching, and fan community for the past 10 years. After seven years of service, Jen McNamee will be leaving her position as the school readiness instructor in the early childhood classroom. Thanks all of you for making our school a better place. You will be missed.

Let’s all work to make this a safe and enjoyable spring. As always please contact me if you have questions or concerns. Go Tigers!

Many Activities As School Year Ends by Principal Michaelson

It has been an amazing year so far. We have had several accomplishments this year with goals in and out of the classroom. Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments have been completed, and the mid-quarter milestone for fourth quarter was Thursday, April 27. High school students are scheduling for next year’s classes and seniors are anxiously awaiting graduation on Saturday, May 27.

Elementary classes are busy with field trips this time of year so please aware of permission slips coming home with your son/daughter and deadlines to return them. Events coming up include the 5th and 6th grade music concert on May 12 at 1:30, kindergarten graduation is May 24 at 1:00 in Tiger Arena, May 25 will be field day for students in grades K-5, and on May 26 students in grades K-6 will be going on their annual trip to Itasca State Park. These and all of our school events can be found on the Nevis school website homepage calendar.

School Year Ending (continued) by Principal Michaelson

***“Last day of school
is May 27.”***

***“Grand March for
Prom is May 6 at
6:30 in Tiger Arena.”***

***“Honors Breakfast is
scheduled for May 4
at 7:30 a.m. in
Tiger Arena.”***

Summer will soon be here, and with that, many activities offered through Community Education. Summer School Age Care will be open Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. during the summer months. Applications are available on the school website under the Community Ed tab. Kindergarten through 6th grade are eligible to attend. The summer reading program for Title I students will run June 5 through July 28, except July 3-5. This will be held Monday through Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to noon with Miss DeMarais. Keep an eye on the Community Ed link on the school website for new postings.

I would like to take this time to say that I had a wonderful first year here at Nevis serving as the principal. The community, staff, and students have been awesome to work with, and I look forward to working with you all again next year. I am so proud of our students for the gains they made this year. Have a great summer!

Prom ~ Grand March ~ Post Prom, May 6

Grand March will be held at 6:30 p.m. on May 6 in Tiger Arena at Nevis School. Students will board the bus between 7:15 and 7:30 p.m. and depart for Firefly Event Barn for dinner and the dance. The dance will end at 11:30 and students will return to the school at approximately 11:45.

A Post Prom Event will be held again this year at the school after Prom until 5:30 a.m. This event is free to students in the junior and senior classes and Prom attendees due to generous funding and donations from Arvig Communications, Pine Manor, St. Joseph’s Health Services, Northwoods Bank, First National Bank of Walker, Nevis C&C, Itasca-Mantrap Operation Round Up, Nevis Student Council, Nevis Teachers Union, and Nevis and Akeley Volunteer Fire Departments. There will be inflatables rented including giant trikes, ATM Cash Cube, and Wacky Millennium and Adrenaline Rush II obstacle courses. A multitude of games will be played—Bingo, Cash Cab, scooter races, board games, and, lots of prizes given away—flat screen TVs, Moondance Jam and Country Jam tickets, Beats, dorm size fridge, gas cards, microwave, Keurig coffee maker, restaurant coupons, cash and much, much more!

Music Concerts Scheduled for May

The senior high band and choir participated in large group music contest on Wednesday, April 5 at Bemidji State University. The band and choir both received superior ratings for their performances. The students did a great job of representing Nevis School.

Music Concerts Scheduled for May (continued)

The high school spring concert is scheduled for Monday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the small gym. This concert will feature the senior high band and choir and the junior high band and choir. The presentation of music awards will follow the concert. The 5th and 6th grade band and choir will have a spring concert on Friday, May 12 at 1:30 p.m. in the small gym. All students in the 5th and 6th grades will participate in this concert.

FCCLA Participates at State

“Dare to Explore” served as the student-created theme as over 1,000 middle and high school students from around the state gathered at the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) 2017 State Leadership Conference, March 23-25, in Bloomington, Minnesota.

The state meeting also is where members of the Nevis FCCLA competed in STAR Events. STAR events stand for: Students Taking Action with Recognition. The following members competed at the state conference and were awarded the following recognition and medals:

Anna C. and Faith M. were awarded Bronze for their “Alzheimer’s” presentation; Emma B. placed Bronze in “Global Hunger; Cora U. and Jayden V. placed Silver with their presentation “Renewable Resources”; Nicole K. and Janesa F. placed Silver in “Therapy Pets”; Natalie H. placed Gold in “Openmindedness”; Viviana V. placed Gold in “Perseverance”.

FCCLA is a dynamic and effective national student organization that helps young men and women become leaders and address important personal, family, work, and societal issues through Family and Consumer Sciences education.

Miscellaneous Stuff to Know

ACT Test — The online registration deadline for the June 10 ACT Test is May 5.

Activities — The Fall Sports Rules Meeting (football, volleyball) will be held on Monday, August 7 at 6:30 p.m. in Tiger Arena. Athletes and parents must attend the meeting and turn in all paperwork prior to participating in fall sports. Varsity football practice will start on Monday, August 14. All volleyball teams will also start practice on Monday, August 14. Junior high football will start on Monday, August 21.

Athlete physicals are good for three years. Letters of notification will be sent out in June to those students in grades 6-12 that will be in need of a physical at any time during the upcoming school year. The physicals must be completed prior to the start of practice.

Girls Basketball Players Grades 6-11 — Nevis girls basketball will be bringing in Midwest Elite for a 3-day basketball camp from July 10-12. If your daughter plans on playing basketball next year, this is a fantastic opportunity to work on necessary skills to become a better basketball player and to build our program. College coaches come in to work with our coaches from Nevis to develop a camp that meets our needs. We will be focusing on shooting, ball handling, rebounding and much more! Contact Coach Neyens for a registration form; most of the girls should have received one already. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

More Miscellaneous Stuff to Know

Current 6th grade students will be meeting with a current sophomore or junior student to help make the transition to high school. Each year, a group of students are selected to help the incoming 7th grade students' transition to high school. The students will be meeting together this spring to go over the schedule, and get an orientation to the high school. In the fall the upper classmen go with the 7th grade students during Open House, giving them a tour and answering questions. The first day of school, the upperclassmen walk with the 7th graders to each class, helping them find the rooms and get into their lockers. Throughout the year, the students will meet to discuss concerns the 7th graders are having and just to make a connection with a friendly face in the high school.

Field Trips — The Nevis third graders are going to the Headwaters Science Center and State Park in Bemidji on Thursday, May 11.

The 6th grade will be participating in the Freshwater Festival on Wednesday, May 17. Students spend the day exploring water and all its properties with students from surrounding schools.

6th grade students will take a trip to see a Minnesota Twins baseball game on Thursday, May 18 when the Twins play the Colorado Rockies.

On Thursday, May 19 the 5th grade students will be going to Duluth for their class trip to take in the sights at the Glensheen Mansion, Canal Park, and the Duluth/Superior Zoo.

High School Schedules for 2017-2018 — Student schedules for next school year will be posted online in the near future. Once those schedules are posted, all high school students will have an opportunity to correct mistakes or make changes to their schedule. Please watch the Parent Portal for these updates.

Kindergarten Graduation is a special time. This year graduation will be held on Wednesday, May 24 in Tiger Arena at 1:00 p.m. with a reception in the cafeteria following the program.

Last Day of School — The last day of school will be Friday, May 26. The students in grades K-6 will be going to Itasca State Park for a day-long field trip. Elementary Field Day will be Thursday, May 25 for students in grade K-5.

Open House — The Fall Open House will be held on Wednesday, August 30 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. The elementary students are encouraged to come meet their teacher and see their classroom. High school students are encouraged to come and get their schedules and locker assignments. 7th grade students will be meeting at 5:30 p.m. in Tiger Arena with their parents and new mentors. This will be a time for the mentors to give tours of the building and assist the new students in finding their classrooms, meet the teachers, and answer questions about the first day of school. Additional information regarding this special evening will be in the newspaper and Back-to-School Newsletter.

Preschool students will meet with their teachers by appointment on September 5 and 6 from noon to 6:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call Abbie Henry at 218-652-3500, ext. 303.

Senior News — The Senior Class Trip to Duluth is Wednesday, May 24. On Tuesday, May 16, the annual Senior Scholarship and Awards Reception will be held in the Original Gym starting at 7:00 p.m. Rehearsal for graduation will be on Friday, May 26 during fifth hour. The graduation ceremony will be held in Tiger Arena on Saturday, May 27 at 7:00 p.m. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for seating. The class colors are hunter green, white and black. The class flower is a white rose. The class song is "You're Gonna Miss This" by Trace Adkins. The class motto is "Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory" —Dr. Seuss.

Last of the Miscellaneous Stuff to Know

Staff Appreciation Week starts May 8. We have wonderful staff at Nevis Public School. Without them, our school would not be the great place it is for students to learn and grow. “Years of Service” recognition will be given to the following employees at a reception for all Nevis School staff sponsored by the Nevis PTA at 3:30 on May 10 in the cafeteria:

30 Years

Paul Schroeder (Title I)

20 Years

Mark Hamborg (custodian)

Linda Hanson (elementary office)

Scott Kramer (6th grade)

Dacle Schmid (bus driver)

15 Years

Brian DeWitt (educational assistant)

Beth Grafenstein (vocal music)

Rosanne Lueck (educational assistant)

Kay Netteberg (EC special education)

10 Years

Donna Rehkamp (educational assisant)

5 Years

Bill Dent (4th grade)

Amy Klimek (1st grade)

Krista Platz (elementary social worker)

Brandy Vredenburg (educational assistant)

Summer Food Service Program — Nevis Public School is again participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children without charge for breakfast and lunch under the age of 18 or individuals 19 and over with state-defined mental or physical disabilities who participate in school programs. Adults may purchase meals with the cost being approximately \$2.25 for breakfast and \$3.85 for lunch. Acceptance and participation requirements for the program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service.

Meals will be provided in the school cafeteria and serving times are as follows:

- *Monday-Friday* ---- June 5-August 25 (no meals will be served July 4)
- *Breakfast* ---- 8:00-9:00 a.m.
- *Lunch* ---- 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

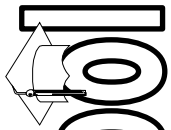
Summer Reading Program — The Nevis PTA will, once again, be sponsoring a summer reading program for PreK — 6th grade. Prizes will be given for minutes read throughout the summer. The program will coordinate with the summer library hours, Mondays and Wednesdays June 6—July 27 from 9:00-11:00. Bring your reading logs in during these hours to collect prizes. Completed logs will be entered into a Grand Prize drawing. Readings logs will be handed out to the students by the end of the school year.

Yearbooks — Reserve your copy now! Elementary and high school yearbooks will be delivered soon and are for sale. Elementary books cost \$18.00 (full color - soft cover, 28 pages) and will be distributed as soon as they arrive. High school yearbooks are also for sale for \$40.00 (full color - hard cover, 88 pages) and will be distributed on Friday, May 19. Payments can be made in the High School, Elementary or District Offices. Questions, contact advisor, Lynne Gustafson.

Future Plans of the Class of 2017

- Kelsey Amundson**—Lake Superior College, Duluth—Business
Hannah Anderson—Bethel University, St. Paul—Biology for Pre-Medicine
Emily Baker—Itasca Community College, Grand Rapids—Early Childhood Education
Kailee Bjorkstrand—Black Hills State University, Spearfish, South Dakota—K-12 Special Education
Emma Bliss—University of Minnesota, Crookston—Biology, Pre-Veterinarian
Ryan Buck—Central Lakes College, Brainerd—Heavy Equipment and Diesel Mechanics
Vanessa Byer—Minnesota State Community and Technical College, Detroit Lakes—Radiology
Milena Cain—North Dakota State College of Science, Wahpeton, North Dakota—Automotive Technology
Griffin Chase—Bemidji State University—Elementary Education
Nathan Cogsdell—Work
Lillian Demro—St. Cloud State University—Graphic Design
Andrew Dudley—Bemidji State University—Graphic Design
Alex Grider—North Dakota State University, Fargo, North Dakota—History Education
Dylan Hepokoski—Central Lakes College, Staples—Diesel Mechanics
Natalie Hilden—South Dakota State University, Brookings, South Dakota—Graphic Design/Journalism
Hunter Kahlstorf—United States Navy
Autumn Lenander—Work
Madisyn Lucas—Minnesota State University, Moorhead—Social Work
Sierra Monroe—University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota—Biology, Pre-Med
Cielo Mooney—University of Minnesota, Duluth—Speech and Language Pathology
Brandon Mountjoy—Bemidji State University—Accounting
Jesse Nutt—St. Cloud State University—Science and Ecology
Nokomi Olson—Itasca Community College, Grand Rapids, Forestry
Isaac Pizarro—Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts—Electrical Engineering
Brea Pohl—University of Minnesota, Moorhead—Elementary Education
Emma Polzin—University of Minnesota, Duluth—Human Biology
Winter Post—Minnesota State Community and Technical College, Detroit Lakes—Child Care
Dylan Queenan—Central Lakes College, Brainerd—Welding
Kyler Reese—Work
Rozene Rock—Work
Hannah Sather—United States Army National Guard
Molly Stack—Central Lakes College, Brainerd—Liberal Arts
Kayla Swanda—Bemidji State University—Accounting
Wyatt Tauber—Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York—Computer Security
Logan Tinnes—Lake Superior College, Duluth—Professional Helicopter Pilot Training
Austin Yabandith—University of Wisconsin, Superior—Psychology

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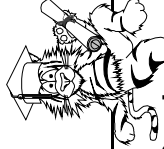

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If you will not be riding the bus, let us know!

Bus Garage, 4:45 pm ~ 6:30 am ~ 218-652-3526, leave a message
 Nevis School, 6:30-8:00 am ~ 218-652-3500, option 3
 Nevis School, 3:15-4:30 pm ~ 218-652-3500, option 1
 Dan Stacey, Trans. Supervisor ~ 218-252-9255 – Emergency Only

218-652-3500 ~ Office Hours 8 am to 4 pm

School Website: www.nevis.k12.mn.us

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
April 30	May 1 JH/B/G Golf AT Eagle View, 4:00 JH/V BBL HOME Menahga, 4:30 Robotics Banquet, 6:30 CE Pickleball, 6:30-8:30 CE Core Essentials, 6:45-7:30	2 JH/V SBL HOME Pine River-Backus, Dblhdr, 4:00 JH/V BBL HOME Red Lake, 4:30 JH Track AT Northome, 4:00 G Golf AT Bears Den, 5:00 CE U10 /U12 SBL Reg., 6:30	3 Environthon Competition Minneapolis Art Field Trip CE Pickleball, 6:30-8:30	4 Honors Breakfast, 7:30 Gr. 7 Boat & Water Safety, 8:30-10:30 JH/V BBL HOME Pine River-Backus, 4:00 V Track AT Mahanomen, 4:00 JH/V SBL AT Northland, 4:30 V B Golf AT Bears Den, 5:00	5	6 PROM Grand March, Tiger Arena 6:30 pm Dinner/Dance AT Firefly Event Bam, 7:30-11:30 pm
7	8 JH/V BBL AT Lake of the Woods, Dblhdr, 4:00 JH/B/G Golf AT Big Fork, 4:00 CE Pickleball, 6:30-8:30 CE Core Essentials, 6:45-7:30	9 V Track AT Park Rapids, (True Team) 2:00 JH/V SBL HOME Laporte, Dblhdr, 4:00 JH/V BBL AT Cass Lake-Bena, 4:30 V G GOLF AT Blackduck, 5:00	10 Graduation at Alexandria Technical & Community College, 1:00 Staff Appreciation, Cafeteria, 3:30 CE Pickleball, 6:30-8:30	11 Gr. 3 Field Trip—Headwaters Science Center, Bemidji JH/V Track AT Lake of the Woods (Conference), 3:30 JH/V SBL HOME Sebeka, 4:30 JH/V BBL AT Sebeka, 4:30 V B Golf AT Blackduck, 5:00	12 5th/6th Gr. Spring Music Concert, 1:30	13 V SBL AT Deer River Tournament, TBA CE Pickle Ball, 8:30-10:30
14 Mother's Day	15 High School Spring Concert, 6:30, Awards to Follow JH B&G Golf AT W-H-A, 4:00 CE Pickle Ball, 6:30-8:30	16 Senior Scholarship Reception, Small Gym, 7:00 JH/V BBL HOME Blackduck, 4:00 V B&G Golf AT Castle Highlands, 4:30	17 Last Day of M/W Preschool JH Golf AT Greenwood, 10:00 6th Gr. Field Trip—Freshwater Festival CE Pickle Ball, 6:30-8:30	18 Last Day of T/TH Preschool Gr. 2 Author's Tea, 2:30 6th Gr. Field Trip—MN Twins V BBL & SBL AT BSU, Conference Meet, TBA V Track AT Northome, 4:00	19 Preschool Screening High School Awards/Activities Day Gr. 5 Field Trip—Duluth JH Track AT Watena, 4:00 CE Blood Drive AT Bethany Lutheran Church, 8:30-12:30	20 CE Pickle Ball, 8:30-10:30 CE DNR ATV Safety Class, 1:00-4:00 
21	22 V SBL Playoffs, TBA CE Babe Ruth Registration, 6:30 School Board Meeting, 7:00	23 V SBL Playoffs, TBA JH Track AT Sebeka, 4:00	24 Senior Class Trip—Duluth Kindergarten Graduation, 1:00	25 Gr. K-5 Field Day V Track AT Walker, Subsection Meet, 2:30 V SBL Playoffs, TBA V BBL Playoffs, TBA	26 Last Day of School Gr. K-6 Field Trip—Itasca State Park Graduation Rehearsal 1:20	27 Graduation Tiger Arena 7:00 pm Doors Open 6:30 pm
28	29 Memorial Day 	30 Teacher In-Service 7-12 Music Valley Fair Trip, 8:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m. V BBL Playoffs, TBA V SBL Playoffs, TBA	31 V B&G Golf Section Meet AT Perham V BBL Playoffs, TBA	June 1 V B&G Golf Section Meet AT Perham V BBL Playoffs, TBA V SBL Playoffs, TBA	2	3 V Track Sections AT Bagley