

Happy Holidays



Newark Boys Chorus School

Newsletter Date
December 19, 2016

NBCS Weekly Newsletter

Academic Director's Notes

Wow! What a wonderful week at NBCS! As we gear up for the holidays, be mindful that the second quarter will be ending on January 9, 2017. Students will only have about a week after break to complete and finish assignments. I hope, that over the holidays, Santa will bring the boys some nice novels to read so that they will stay on top of their reading.

Please be reminded that most high schools applications are due December 31, 2016. 8th grade parents should be setting up visits for high schools during the 1st two weeks on January.

Once again, Happy Holidays and enjoy the break!

This Week's Lunch

Monday-soup, crackers, fruit cup, granola bar, juice

Tuesday- Hot dog- **CC Lunch provided at concert**

Wednesday- Chef Boyardee, fruit cup, granola bar, juice

Thursday- grilled cheese, oranges, pudding, juice

Friday- NO SCHOOL

Students are not required to participate in the weekly NBCS lunch program & are encouraged to continue bringing lunch from home.



Science- 5th graders have completed the chapter on animal adaptation and will be moving on to a chapter which focuses on ecology. 7th grade will be working on a lab which will apply Newton's Laws of motion into real-life scenarios. 6th grade will begin a unit centralized on Earth cycles, and will be discussing the carbon, oxygen, water, and nitrogen cycles.

Math- I humbly and confidently declare that all the grades have made substantial progress in developing their math skills. Differentiating math lessons for each student has given me a peek into the thinking processes of each student. As a result, I continue to study how our students learn, and by doing so, the boys have helped me understand how to better assist them in understanding math. Most of the students will continue to work diligently throughout the rest of the days to reach their goals before the start of the new year.

C.C. Music Notes

Please see the information sent in email through SchoolSpeak regarding upcoming concert information for this week.

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| Tue, Dec 20 | Holiday concert: CBRE 100 Campus Drive, Florham Park, NJ LUNCH PROVIDED | lv: 10:45am rt: 4pm | Wear full uniform (Blue Blazer) |
| Wed, Dec 21 | Caroling w-Mayor Baraka Harrison Park Square (Central Ward) 140 Spruce Street, 3:00pm City View Landing (Central Ward) City View Landing, 3:30pm | TBA | Carry full uniform: gray slacks w-white shirt (NO jacket) |
| Sun, Dec 25 | Christmas services @ Corpus Christi, 234 Southern Blvd, Chatham, NJ; 9:30 & 11:30am ... (select group) | lv: 8:15am rt: 1:15pm | Wear full uniform (Blue Blazer) |

A.C. Music Notes

Reminder: A.C has performances during the school day this Wednesday and Thursday. For the future, please note that all performances are mandatory and any potential transportation or scheduling issues should be communicated to me in advance so they can be worked out.
- Dr. Harlow

The Academic Staff Says...

Language Arts- We've made it to the end of 2016! In the new year, 8th grade will begin their research and writing for the To Kill a Mockingbird mock-trial. 7th grade will continue working with The Chocolate War. 6th grade will begin their individual writing and photo journals for Miss Perigrine's Home for Peculiar Children. 5th grade will be learning hieroglyphics and will construct their own pyramid models.

Social Studies- Students in grade 4/5 will be taking their chapter 3 test. Students in grade 6 have an essay due on Thursday in class. Grade 7 students are researching current events before jumping into their next unit. Grade 8 students are finishing up their unit on gun control and will be developing research proposals.

LUIS'S CORNER



It's almost time to look under the Christmas tree!!!

Reminder, we have a concert every day. There is also no school on Friday. This is also the last week of school before Christmas break. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a Happy New Year.

Reminders to Students

1. All students must have their iPads in school and charged every day.
2. There is no afterschool help or detention on Mondays
3. Lunch Money is Due **AT BREAK TIME** every day. If money is not given at this time lunch will not be prepared for you.
4. The first payment of \$100 for the March 2017 trip to Florida is due this Thursday 12-22.
5. **Science fair topics are due upon returning from winter break. Potential topic ideas can be placed in the basket in Ms. McGee's room at any time before January 6th.**

Reminders to Parents

1. There is no after school care. Please pick up your son(s) immediately following the dismissal bell unless they are scheduled for after school help period with a teacher.
2. **Breakfast is served in the lunchroom daily from 7:40-8:00.** Students must be in school before 8am if they would like to participate.
3. **Lunch money is collected every day at break. See the lunch calendar for the daily menu.**



This Week's Scheduled Events

Monday

Holiday Concert 7pm (bring \$2 for dinner)

Tuesday

CC Concert: 10:45-4pm (**Lunch included**)

Wednesday

Caroling w-Mayor Baraka, 3pm

Thursday

Friday

NO SCHOOL- See you January 3rd

Upcoming Events

December 19

Holiday Concert; Pick up at Grace Church 8:15pm

December 20

Holiday Concert CBRE; 10:45-4pm

December 21

Caroling with Mayor Baraka, 3pm

December 21

Visit to the Apostle's House Shelter (info to follow)

December 23

No School

December 25

Christmas services @ Corpus Christi, 8:15-1:15

January 3

School Re-Opens



Shout Outs!

Happy Birthday to Gavin Rembert (12-22) and Hannel Hirlado (12-28)

Congrats Zion Graham for "Student of the Month" in L.A. Class. Keep up the good work.

