November 14, 2014

Dear Families,

- With the onset of cold weather it is time to bring warm coats, hats, and gloves every day. We try to go to recess outside as often as possible and warm coats, hats, and gloves ensure that the students will stay warm while playing outside. We also take advantage of all that Northwest has to offer and take frequent trips to other buildings.

- **The Bearcat game is at Northwest this weekend and we could use your help with trash pickup. The game begins at 1 pm so I anticipate trash pickup around 3:30 pm. Thanks for your help!**

- Thank you to everyone that participated in the Taco Johns Crunch for a Cause fundraiser. It was great to see so many people come out and support us!

- School dismisses following the Thanksgiving Dinner on November 25. Backpacks will be in the classrooms for pickup after dinner. Bearcat Club will be closed on November 25.

- The nurse is in need of children’s small and medium size sweat pants. If you have any that are no longer being used we can use them.

- Conscious Discipline Parent Night is November 20 from 6-8 pm Topic: Choices and Empathy

- **HORACE MANN ONLINE BOOK FAIR BEGINS MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17.** This is earlier than the actual book fair to ensure holiday delivery. The Book Fair will be located in the Horace Mann lobby December 5-10. We will have a special Book Fair Open House on Sunday, December 7 from 2-5 p.m. Please let family members, grandparents, neighbors know about the event.

- If you have not signed up for TEXTCASTER alerts please do so by going to the Horace Mann website and registering. If we have a late start, early out, or no school you will be notified via text alert. Local radio and KQTV will also be notified.

- **If we have a late start or early out, we will provide Bearcat Club.**

- If Northwest closes or dismisses classes due to weather, we will do the same and **Bearcat Club will be closed.** Our Bearcat Club employees, Jack, Sarah, Brianna, and Jordan are University students and we want to ensure their safety on severe weather days.

- **If we do not have school due to weather**, will you need child care (first through sixth grade)? Please email and let me know if you would use child care on snow days. We will determine the need based on the responses. sseipel@nwmissouri.edu
- Calendar Changes
  
  *No School on the following dates:*
  
  February 2, March 20, April 20.
  
  *Conferences- March 16-19*

- Attachments include:
  
  Revised Calendar
  
  Book Fair App flyer
  
  Book Fair Letter

Have a great weekend! Stay warm! Thanks for sharing your children with us!

Sandy