

THE Fruit of the Spirit



Love PEACE Kindness Joy! Galatians 5:22-23 gentleness LONGSUFFERING Goodness FAITHFULNESS & (Self-Control)

HURRICANE WATCH

2021-2022 School
Year Theme

August 11, 2021

Week 1

Welcome to a New School Year

By God's grace alone are we able to start the 22nd year of Christian education and our second as Northdale Christian Academy. There have been several changes this summer: new grade alignments, three new part-time teachers, major facility and parking lot renovations, new curriculum resources, new classroom furnishings and technology, and updates to school operations due to COVID. Yet one thing remains constant, we are able to serve our families with the living and enduring Word of God each and every day. It's a privilege to serve you and your children. Thank you for trusting us to partner with you as we provide for their spiritual, social, emotional, and academic needs. Our theme for the year comes from Galatians 5:22-23 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" May God continue to bless our NCA family as throughout this school year.

Newsletter Preferences

If you would like a paper copy of the weekly NCA newsletter, please contact the office or let your classroom teacher know. All newsletters will be distributed electronically. Paper copies will be distributed upon request only.

Back to School Orientation

Thank you to all our families for participating in the August 9 online Back to School Night orientation. The presentation was recorded and is available for you to [view at this link](#). A copy of the presentation slides is available to [view at this link](#).

Upcoming Events

<u>Aug 10</u>	VPK First Day of School
<u>Aug 11</u>	K-8 First Day of School Noon Dismissal No After School Care for K-8
<u>Aug 12</u>	After school care begins for K-8
<u>Aug 15</u>	Worship, 8:30 AM Adult Bible Class, 9:30 AM Worship, 10:30 AM (also online)
<u>Aug 17</u>	LPS BB Tournament mtg, 3:30 PM
<u>Aug 19</u>	Coaches mtg, 3:30 PM
<u>Aug 20</u>	No School
<u>Aug 25</u>	Parent Forum, 6:30 PM
<u>Aug 30</u>	Fall MAP Testing Begins
<u>Sept 6</u>	Labor Day, No School

Visit our website for a complete [online calendar](#).



Parking Lot Safety

Safety is our primary concern when your child is dropped off and picked up. In order to keep your child safe, increase pick up efficiency, and keep traffic off of Mapledale Blvd., NCA has developed a new parking lot procedure. Please review the linked [map](#) so you are well informed of these procedures. Parking cones will be placed to help guide the flow of traffic.

Drop Off Notes: Students are to stay in their vehicle until the daily health check is completed by NCA staff. Wait until traffic is clear if it is necessary to merge. Park only in the designated areas on the parking lot map. Please use caution when exiting the parking lot.

Pick Up Notes: Please use the roundabout and avoid cutting in front of other drivers whenever possible. We will do our best to dismiss on time and keep the line moving, and we appreciate your patience. Students will be sent to 3-4 vehicles at a time. We appreciate your cooperation to keep our students safe.

Health Check

In our ongoing efforts to keep our NCA family healthy, please use this checklist to screen your child's health. If your child has any of the following symptoms, that indicates a possible illness that may decrease the student's ability to learn and also put them at risk for spreading illness to others.

- Temperature 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from baseline)
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headache, especially with a fever
- Has your child had close contact (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19?

NCA staff will be taking temperatures daily as a part of our health safety plan. Please remain in the car until your child's temperature has been checked.

TADS Accounts

TADS is the admissions, enrollment, and billing tool NCA uses for all our families. If you have not done so recently, please log into your TADS account to ensure your tuition payments are set up appropriately. You may contact Mr. Mattes or Mrs. Mendez with any TADS or billing related questions.

Mission Project

Each Wednesday at 9:15 AM the students and faculty at NCA will gather for a weekly chapel service. During this service a voluntary offering will be collected for a designated mission project. This year's offerings are supporting our church boyd's two preparatory high schools: Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI and Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw, MI. Several of our NCA graduates in the past few years are attending these schools. Both schools seeks to prepare students who may be interested in attending Martin Luther College to prepare for service as pastors, teachers, and staff ministers. Students may deposit their mission offerings in the small church located by Mrs. Mendez's desk anytime during the week. This newsletter will be used to track mission offerings for the year. Thank you for your support of this mission project.

Time of Grace Video Devotions

Time of Grace produces daily video devotions called Your Time of Grace. These are short videos meant to enhance your personal spiritual growth. You can view samples and subscribe to these devotions online by visiting www.yourtimeofgrace.org. There is also an app for Android and Apple users that can be downloaded for free by visiting your app store.

Daily Devotions

Is something troubling you? Are you overwhelmed? Stressed out? Take a time out and see what God's Word has to say about it. Did you know that you can get a daily dose of God's Word right on your computer or mobile device? WELS (our church body) offers a [daily devotion](#) delivered directly to your inbox. Each day's devotion includes the option to listen, which is a great tool for those of you commuting to work. You can subscribe online by clicking this link:

<http://wels.net/subscribe/subscribe-to-daily-devotions/>



Classroom News August 12-14

Mrs. Mattes VPK

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Welcome to a new school year! I'm so glad to be starting the year with all of you and your fantastic kids. Our week is off to a great start!

What we're learning: We are spending plenty of time learning and practicing our new routines. The more time we invest in this now, the smoother the rest of the year will be. We are developing our skills for how to be ready to learn! We will also be reading lots of books,, learning each other's names and more about each other.

Bible Story: Our Bible story this week is *God Creates Our Beautiful World*. Please read this with your child in the folder of Bible stories that will come home this week. Each week there will be a new one or two for you to read together.

Take-Home Folders: Your child's work will go home in their take-home folder on Monday. Please return the empty folder during the week, and it will be sent home again the next Monday.

Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom

Important reminders for kicking off a great year:

- Bring a water bottle! (have your child practice opening and closing it at home)
- Bring a blue sweater or sweatshirt for the classroom AC.
- Pack a snack for the first day (I will bring lemonade and bananas just in case)
- Get a good night's sleep every night (set a bedtime and make a routine).
- Eat a healthy breakfast.
- Arrive to school on time.
- Noon dismissal on the first day (no lunch).



We are a peanut (and tree nut) free classroom! More detailed information will follow, but for now please do not send anything to school with peanuts or nuts. Please read labels carefully. If a label says 'may contain peanuts,' or 'processed in a plant that processed peanuts,' please keep those foods at home. When ordering from SchoolEatery, please avoid the PB&J option. Thank you!

Mrs. Schwartz's Kindergarten Homeroom

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Welcome to Kindergarten! I am looking forward to a great year of learning. Let me know if you have any questions this week.

Word of God: *God's Special Message for Mary*

Memory Treasure: Psalm 56:11 - In God I trust; I will not be afraid.

Reading: Brand-new Pencils, Brand-new Books by Diane DeGroat, Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes, My New Friend is So Much Fun by Mo Willems

Phonics: Letter Recognition and Letter Sounds

Writing: Self-Portrait, Name Writing

Math: We will learn all about the numbers 1 and 2

* Please pack a snack for your child for the first day of school. We will not have lunch on the first day

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Classroom News (Continued)

Mr. Haring's 3rd & 4th Grade Homeroom

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Welcome back! We will spend the week establishing our classroom procedures as well as introducing a few classes.

Bible History: *Gabriel Announces the Births of John and Jesus*

Memory Work: The Second Article (due 8/19)

Reading: We will discuss choosing good fit books

Spelling: No Spelling

3 Math (Guse): Numbers about me, Place Value

4 Math: Working with Whole Numbers

Social Studies: Map Skills

Mr. Jaeger's 5th & 6th Grade Homeroom

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This week will be dedicated to establishing expectations, routine, and getting-to-know-one-another activities. I expect to have more of an academic routine in place for next week. I'm looking forward to partnering with you this school year!

Word of God: "The Births of John and Jesus Announced"

Catechism: "The Bible and the Catechism"

Memory Work: John 3:16 (Friday)

Literature: *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell

English: Parts of speech review

Spelling: Unit 1 next week; pretest Mon., final Thurs.

Math 5 (Haring): Place Value

Math C1: Introduction to prime factorization, multiples

Math C2: Introduction to rational numbers

Science: Weather and Climate

Social Studies: Why study history?

7th & 8th Grade

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The first part of the week will be dedicated to establishing expectations, routine, and getting-to-know-one-another activities. We expect to have more of an academic routine in place for next week. We're looking forward to partnering with you this school year!

Spelling: Begin Lesson 1. Pretest will be THIS FRIDAY. Final test next Thursday. (due to shorter week next week)

English: Parts of speech review

Literature: *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*

Math: Course 2 (Jaeger) will begin with a study of rational numbers. Course 3 will begin with variables, expressions, integers, and absolute value. Algebra 1 will begin with variables, expressions, real numbers, exponents and square roots.

Word of God: Mr. Schroeder will be starting a study on "What is Truth?"

Catechism: Pastor Guse will start catechism class Thursday, August 12.

Social Studies: A quick review of the Civil War (where we left off last year) then studying Reconstruction.

Science: Introduction to thinking like a scientist

