



# HURRICANE WATCH

September 5, 2023

Week 5

### Q1 Parent Forum Presentation & Video

Thank you to all our parents who participated in the 1st quarter parent forum August 23. You can access the [presentation slides here](#) and the [Google Meet recording here](#). The focus of this forum was to promote NCA family engagement and volunteer opportunities. Additional topics included playground improvement project, safety, surveys, and more. Check out the presentation slides and video link to learn more about current needs and upcoming events. Contact Mr. Mattes with any questions.

### Aftercare Supervisor Needed

Northdale Christian Academy is seeking to hire for the position of after school care supervisor. We are looking for someone who enjoys working with school aged children. The hours would be 3:00-6:00 PM, Monday-Friday. Compensation is based on qualifications and experience. Click here to access a [position description and application for employment](#). Printed copies are available in the office. Please contact Mr. Mattes directly if you are interested or have a referral.

### Project/Event Survey

NCA is looking for leaders and helpers to get involved with various activities this school year. Please complete the [online project/event survey](#) to share your interests.

### Scholarship Funds and Invoicing

NCA was informed last week that student scholarship funds should be arriving in your account between August 25 and September 15. Please notify Mr. Mattes when your account is funded so that NCA can initiate the invoicing process for the quarterly payments. You can determine if the funds have been received through your EMA account. Thank you for your help as we learn this new process together.

### Upcoming Events

- Aug 28-Sept 8 Fall MAP Testing
- September 4 No School, Labor Day
- September 5 Guitar Lessons
- September 6 K-8 Chapel, 8:15 AM; 3/4K Chapel, 9:05  
Piano Lessons
- September 7 Piano Lessons  
Northdale Pioneers mtg, 6:00-7:30 PM
- September 10 Worship, 8:30 AM  
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class, 9:30  
Grades K-8 Sing during 10:30 Worship
- September 12 Picture Retake Day
- September 15 Grades 3-8 Kickball Day
- Sept 18-22 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- September 26 Flag Football Practice, 3:30-4:30 PM

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

### Mission Offerings

Mission offerings to support the Apache Mission in AZ.

This week	\$5.00
Total	\$72.00

Thank you for your generous support of this year's mission project!



### **Northdale Pioneers**

Northdale Pioneers 2023-2024 is ready to begin! It is open to all NCA students 3rd - 8th grade. The goal of our pioneer program is to raise up God's children to be active and future leaders of the church. Pioneers will be kicking off the year with their first meeting on Thursday Night, September 7 from 6:00-7:30 PM at Northdale Lutheran Church. Pioneers will then be held the 1st Thursday of every month at 6:00 PM from September through April. Future meeting dates are October 5, November 2, December 7, February 1, March 7, April 4. The camping trip will be January 12-14. We have a great bunch of leaders this year. If you have any questions you can always contact our Pioneer Director, Mrs. Angel Allan 813.850.3718 call/text. Please complete the [online form](#) to sign up for Northdale Pioneers.

### **Grades 3K-8 Sing September 10**

Students in grades 3K-8 are invited to sing a prepared song during the 10:30 AM worship service on September 10 at Northdale Lutheran Church. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

### **School Eatery Update**

As a result of feedback received, School Eatery has made changes to the daily lunch menu. You can access School Eatery instructions online by visiting our website: [NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org](http://NorthdaleChristianAcademy.org) > Resources > Documents > [School Eatery...](#) Beef O Bradys and Pizza Hut have returned to the menu.

### **New NCA Jacket Design**

NCA's [online uniform store](#) has been updated to include a new jacket design. Youth, adult, and ladies options are now available to order. The current hooded sweatshirt will continue to be offered while sizes last. A sample of the new jacket design is available to view in the NCA lobby.

### **Grades 5-8 Flag Football Registration**

Use [this link](#) to access the online registration and sign your child for flag football. More information is included on the online registration form.

### **Playground Improvement Project**

During our August 23 parent forum, a playground improvement project was announced. Our Academy Ministry Board and Northdale Lutheran Church have approved an equipment upgrade for the large playground. Northdale Lutheran Church has already committed \$10,000 as seed money. The structure design, layout, and colors are still being finalized, but we know we need about \$50,000 for this project. We have a lot of funds to raise and are asking for your help to reach our goal. Families can make charitable donations directly to NCA by check (avoids processing fees) or through our online giving tool: <https://northdale.breezechms.com/give/online> When giving online, be sure to select the "Playground Equipment" fund.

Thank you to Emily Zabel and Natalie Dorr for helping with grant research and writing. There are other ways to get involved if you are interested in helping with promotions, fundraising efforts, and design. Contact Mr. Mattes if you would like to learn more about these needs.

### **Grades K-8 Progress Testing**

The first of our three rounds of progress testing (Measures of Academic Progress or MAP Tests) continues this week. MAP is a nationally recognized, computer adaptive assessment tool which we use to monitor student learning and improve instruction for grades K-8. Test results will be available at Parent-Teacher Conferences September 18-22.

### **September Parent-Teacher Conferences**

We believe a strong parent-teacher partnership is essential to Christian education, and we're looking forward to strengthening that partnership by meeting with you. Conferences for 3K through 8th grade will be held September 18-22. Topics covered will include assessment results, academic and behavioral progress, and any questions you have for us. Look for a SignUpGenius link in next week's newsletter.

### **Kickball Day Mixer, September 15**

Students in grades 3-8 will bring home permission forms in their Monday folder. More information is attached to the form.



# Classroom News September 5-8

Mrs. Mattes 3K & VPK

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[Amazon Wish List for 3K & VPK](#)

**What We're Learning:** We will be using Eric Carle books the next few weeks to learn about animals. This week we'll touch on some zoo and farm animals. We'll continue working on our ABCs and numbers, and we'll get to try out watercolors on Friday!

**Bible:** #2 God Creates Man and Woman- Please read the Bible story at home with your child. They will enjoy sharing what they learned with you!

**Reading Logs:** September reading logs are coming home this week. Keep up the good work!

**Health Forms:** Reminder that birth certificates, health and immunization forms are due no later than **September 10.**

**Homeroom App:** Below is a link to join our private photo page so you can see what we're up to in preschool each week! <https://gethomeroom.com/i/8JRN9LKV>

Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom

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**Memory work:** Isaiah 40:3 "A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the the desert a highway for our God.'" due on Friday 9/8

**Spelling 1:** Unit 3 - short e spelling words - test on Friday 9/8

**Spelling 2:** Unit 4 - short o spelling words - test on Friday 9/8

**Ask your child about:** (these are great conversation starters!)

- The orange juice 'party' ... did you know that orange juice is the state beverage of Florida? We drank orange juice to celebrate the end of our Florida unit.
- We will begin our Science unit on on animal classification this week.
- Library time with Mrs. Schroeder on Wednesdays.
- The Wise Men visiting Jesus and Herod's Wicked Plan.
- What happens when we forget to put our name on our assignments.

Mrs. Mosakowski's Kindergarten Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for Kindergarten](#)

**Bible:** "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right." -Ephesians 6:1

**Reading:** This week we will continue our Unit on Oswald. This week your child will distinguish between the initial sounds /o/ and /k/. They will associate O with /o/ and C with /k/.

**Writing:** This week your child will draw a picture showing the class something they like to do. Before we share our drawings with one another; we will discuss how to speak to an audience and how to listen.

**Math:** This week we will continue to practice counting and writing numbers. This week we will cover 6,7,8,9, and 10.

**Science:** We will continue our Science Unit on Health. Your child will be able to determine how to categorize foods into the different food groups.

**Art:** We will be extending our reading unit by creating an "Octopus in the Ocean" using watercolors.

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[Amazon Wish List for 1st & 2nd](#)



# Classroom News (Continued)

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

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[Amazon Wish List for 3rd & 4th](#)

**Word of God** (Roemhildt): *John the Baptist & The Baptism of Jesus*

**Memory Work:** Romans 3:20, Galatians 3:27, Galatians 4:4,5 (Sept. 5)

**Spelling:** Unit 3 List. Final test will be on Friday.

**Literature:** The class will begin its first novel: [Third Grade Angels](#) by Jerry Spinelli

**3 Math:** Chapter 1 test will be Thursday or Friday. Students will be given a chance to make corrections on the first few tests.

**4 Math:** Chapter 1: Working with Whole Numbers

**Science:** Earth's Layers

**Social Studies:** Last week's continents and oceans quiz was moved to this Wednesday.

**Tech:** (Roemhildt) We will organize our school Google Drives.

**Reading Goals:** As a class, the goal will be a total of 880 books. I will be keeping track as a way to encourage reading throughout the school year.

**35/880 read this year.**

## Mrs. Guse's 5th & 6th Grade Homeroom

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[Amazon Wish List for 5th & 6th](#)

**Word of God:** *The Twelve Year Old Jesus; John Preaches Repentance*

**MW:** Ephesians 6:1(Tue); John 1:29b(Th); Third Commandment (Fri)

**Literature** (Schroeder): [Island of the Blue Dolphins](#) by Scott O'Dell

**English:** Week 3

**Spelling:** Unit 4- Pretest (Tue); Final Test (Fri)

**Math 5:** Chapter 1- Whole Numbers and Four Operations

**Math C1:** Chapter 1- Whole Numbers, Prime Numbers, and Prime Factorization- Chapter 1 Test (Wed)

**Science:** Weather and Climate

**Social Studies:** Europe in the Middle Ages

**Tech & Music** (Roemhildt): We will look at how to compose an email to teachers.

7th & 8th Grade Mr. Roemhildt [daniel.roemhildt@northdalelutheran.org](mailto:daniel.roemhildt@northdalelutheran.org)

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[Amazon Wish List for 7th & 8th](#)

We will be concluding MAP testing this week. Make sure students are well rested in preparation for these tests!

**Spelling:** Unit 4 Pretest Wed. Final Fri.      **English:** DGP Week 3      **Literature:** The Giver Chapters 3-10

**Math:** [Course 2](#) will be multiplying and dividing integers. [Course 3](#) did really well on their first test! We will begin discussing exponents this week. [Algebra 1](#) is studying linear equations and inequalities.

**Word of God:** What Is Truth?

**Social Studies:** Concluding a lesson on the Spanish-American war and starting the Boxer Rebellion.

**Science:** Idalia put us behind schedule, but we have started our microscope lab where we will practice examining various living and non-living things. Viruses will be the next topic we study.

**Tech & Music:** This week in music we will begin Hymn 867 for singing in church on September 10th. We will have a quiz on Balkans European Countries for current events and looking at the Tech AUP.

