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# HURRICANE WATCH

August 26, 2024

Week 4

## Q1 Scholarship Payment Approval Needed

Step Up for Students has started funding scholarship accounts for the first distribution of Q1 funds. This means many of our NCA families should have been notified of the arrival of funds into your scholarship account. NCA then processes invoices as those funds arrive. New this year: Families are required to approve invoices each quarter which is completed through your EMA account. You will receive email/text notification when you have invoices to approve. Please contact Mr. Mattes if you have any question about the approval process.

## Q1 Online Open Forum Presentation & Video

Thank you to all our parents who participated in the 1st quarter online open forum August 21. 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. Future open forms will be held October 24, January 8, and March 27 at 6:30 PM.

## Grades K-8 Progress Testing

The first of our three rounds of progress testing (Measures of Academic Progress or MAP Tests) will be taking place this week through September 6. MAP is a nationally recognized, computer adaptive assessment tool which we use to monitor student learning and improve instruction for grades K-8. There are two to four hours of testing that will be spread out over the course of two weeks. We will plan to share the results of the testing with parents at our Parent-Teacher Conferences September 23-27.

## Upcoming Events

<u>August 26</u>	Fall MAP Testing Begins
<u>August 28</u>	Promotional Photo Day K-8 Chapel, 8:15 AM; 3&4K Chapel, 9:05 Piano Lessons
<u>August 29</u>	Piano Lessons
<u>August 30</u>	No School
<u>September 1</u>	Worship, 8:30 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Class, 9:30 Worship, 10:30 AM
<u>September 2</u>	Labor Day, No School
<u>September 5</u>	Extracurricular Volunteer mtg, 3:30 PM ( <a href="#">online</a> and in-person)
<u>September 8</u>	Grades 3K-8 Sing during 10:30 Worship
<u>September 17</u>	Picture Retake Day
<u>September 20</u>	Grades 3-8, SALSA Kickball Day
<u>Sept 23-27</u>	Parent/Teacher Conferences <i>Visit our website for a complete <a href="#">online calendar</a>.</i>

## Mission Offerings

Mission offerings to support training of future teachers, pastors, and missionaries.

This week      \$35.00

Total            \$35.00

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



### **Professional Photographer Onsite**

NCA is in the process of updating our website and other promotional materials. There will be a professional photographer onsite the morning of Wednesday, August 28 taking pictures of what our students, faculty, and staff do best. We will not make public use of any photographs with students whose parents/guardians have not given media consent during the enrollment process. Thank you for helping your child look their best for this photo opportunity.

### **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.

### **Playground Project Update**

As was announced in the August 21 online open forum meeting, we are moving forward with the new playground structure. NCA leadership decided to borrow from internal funds to push this project forward so that it could be installed in the coming months. The goal is to have our new playground ready to go by mid October. Watch for signs of progress in the coming weeks. Our fundraising efforts will continue as we seek to make up the difference between what we have on hand and what we needed to borrow. Anyone 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. Your generous support is deeply appreciated.

### **Pardon our Dust**

Exterior renovations on the church/preschool building will be starting soon. Thank you for your patience and flexibility while these facility improvements take place.

### **Guitar & Piano Lessons**

Piano lessons begin August 21. Families who signed up received a copy of the lesson schedule last week. Guitar lessons will start the first week in September. You may still sign up for guitar lessons. Piano lessons will reopen for second semester sign up in November-December.

[Guitar Lessons 2024-2025 School Year](#)

### **Magazines Needed**

The Art Department is in need of magazines to cut up for projects. *Good Housekeeping*, *Simple Ideas*, *Family Fun*, and *Martha Stewart Living* are good magazines for art projects. No *National Geographic* please. Thank you.

### **Weekly Chapel Service**

Did you know that NCA has a weekly chapel service on Wednesdays at 8:15 AM? Did you know you are invited to join us? We would love to have you stick around after drop off each Wednesday to join us for our K-8 chapel worship service. 3K and VPK have a separate chapel devotion later in the morning at 9:05 which preschool families are invited to attend.

### **Time of Grace Devotions**

Time of Grace produces daily devotions, videos, and books to enhance your spiritual life. The short daily devotions can be delivered to your inbox and enhance your personal spiritual growth. You can view samples and subscribe to the free daily devotions online by visiting <https://timeofgrace.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](#).

### **Extended Care Position Available**

Northdale Christian Academy is hiring an additional aftercare supervisor for the 2024-2025 school year. We are looking for someone who enjoys working with school aged children and is available after school. The hours would be up to 3:00-5:00 or 3:00-6:00 PM, Monday-Friday depending on the age group served. Qualifications also vary based on the age of students being supervised. 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.



# Classroom News August 26-29

**Mrs. Mattes 3K & VPK**

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

**What We're Learning:** We're off to a great start! The children are picking up the routine quickly! The next few weeks we'll be learning about bugs, especially butterflies. We'll look at the life cycle of a butterfly and we'll be welcoming some caterpillars into our classroom so we can watch the process in real life. When the butterflies emerge, we'll have a butterfly release!

**Monday Folders:** Your child will bring home their folders each Monday. Please check them for important papers and return to school in the basket in the entryway.

**Bible:** #3 God Saves Adam and Eve- Please read the story handout with your child at home!

**Reading Logs:** Keep up the good work!

**Freckle:** There is an updated login for your child's freckle account coming home in their folder this week. Sorry the old one was incorrect. Please let me know if you have any questions!

**Homeroom App:** I recently sent out email invitations for our homeroom private online photo album. You can also use the link below to join so you can see what we're up to in preschool each week!

<https://gethomeroom.com/i/B6P4EGD5>

**Miss Hardman's 1st & 2nd Grade Homeroom**

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**Memory work:** John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." (due Friday 9/6)

**Spelling: First Grade** - Unit 2 - short a words - test on Thursday 8/29

**Second Grade** - Unit 3 - short i words - test on Thursday 8/29

**MAP testing** this week. We will take one of our MAP tests on Tuesday morning (8/27) and the other one next week. All you need to do is make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and then encourage them to take their time and try their best.

**Ask us about** (great conversation starters for your kids to talk about their day at school):

- Map skills - North, South, East, West, right, left, routes
- The flood and how God kept Noah and his family safe.
- Mr. Putter and Tabby

**Mrs. Mosakowski's Kindergarten Homeroom**

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[Amazon Wish List for Kindergarten](#)

**Memory Work:** "I will sing the Lord's praise, for he has been good to me." - Psalm: 13:6

**Math:** Last week we began our first Math unit on Shapes. This unit applies information from art and writing as we identify the different lines found in the shapes. This week we will identify 3D shapes and create patterns with our shapes.

**Writing:** Last week we discussed how people use pictures to tell stories. We practiced tracing curved lines and circles. We will continue to practice drawing shapes and lines. You can reinforce this skill at home with your child. If you have time, watch your child write their name. Encourage your child to use a correct pencil grip and letter formation. Here is a link to help you.

<https://youtu.be/RclxBdiuvOM>

**Social Studies:** Last week we began our first Social Studies unit on Citizenship. We learned about rules and laws and why we have them. This week we are talking about being a good friend, sharing and working hard.

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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): *Cain & Abel* and *The Flood*

**Memory Work:** Matthew 28:19-20 (Aug. 29)

**Literature:** *Stone Fox*; Character development

**Spelling:** No Spelling

**Writing:** Journaling

**3 Math:** Chapter 1: Numbers to 10,000

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

**Tech:** (Roemhildt) None

**Social Studies:** What does Florida look like? Florida's Five Regions

**Science:** Forces

**Reading Goals:** Students have been finishing their first books this week. As a class, we have read 25 of our 640 book goal.

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

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

**Word of God:** *The Tower of Babel*; *God Calls Abram*

**MW:** Psalm 50:15 (8/27); Matthew 28:19,20 (8/29)

**Literature** (Schroeder): *Loser* by Jerry Spinelli

**English:** Week 2

**Spelling:** Unit 3- Pretest (Mon); Final Test (Th)

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

**Math C1:** Chapter 1- Whole Numbers, Prime Numbers, and Prime Factorization

**Science:** Classifying Living Things

**Social Studies:** Map Skills: Elements of a Map; Map Quiz on the United States Northeast and Southeast (Th)

**Tech & Music** (Roemhildt): In music we will be practicing reading notes and singing. In technology we will be discussing free use vs. copyright and setting Chromebook backgrounds.

**7th & 8th Grade**      **Mr. Roemhildt** [daniel.roemhildt@northdalelutheran.org](mailto:daniel.roemhildt@northdalelutheran.org) Cell: 507-469-3063

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

**Spelling:** None

**English:** None

**Literature:** Johnny Tremain Chapter 4 and 5

**Math:** Course 2 will be discussing subtracting, multiplying, and dividing Rational Numbers! Course 3 will begin a new chapter on exponents. Algebra 1 concludes studying real numbers and real-world quantities with a review and test. Our next topic will be linear equations and inequalities.

**Word of God:** You Are Free Indeed! A study of Galatians

**Social Studies:** Students Monuments look great! If you haven't already, ask your student what they designed. We will begin discussing the Revolutionary War this week.

**Science:** Ask your child about our first science quiz. This week we are studying heat transfer and air movement in the atmosphere.

**Tech & Music** (Roemhildt): In music we will be practicing reading notes and singing. In technology we will be discussing free use vs. copyright.

