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Dear Noxon Road Community,

I'd like to leave you with the words I shared with our students in our Yearbook and at dismissal yesterday...

"This year has certainly been one that will go down in history and although many will talk about all that was "lost" as a result of Covid, my hope is that you are able to move from this "moment in time" to instead the years of opportunity and experiences that have come your way within our Noxon Community. Please try to celebrate the small victories, try to minimize the struggles, to come from a place of gratitude and most importantly recognize the strength and resilience within yourself...because we, here at Noxon Road Elementary School, see it in you, as clear as day!

Noxon is a community of Heroes. You are artists, dreamers, mathematicians, authors, story tellers, scientists, athletes, role models, leaders, thinkers, problem solvers, creators, peace makers, social activists, comedians and more! Each of you is unique, special, valued and perfectly perfect...just the way you are! Noxon Road Elementary School is a place where we honor giving our best effort and the priceless impact of each kind action that lights a path for others. May we continue to cherish doors that open when we broaden horizons through learning about culture, customs, diversity, equity and history while at the same time creating works of art, performing musically, losing ourselves in literature and thriving through exercise/physical fitness. May we continue to have difficult conversations about the past, the future we seek to create and the current events in our school, community and world...that are sometimes very difficult to understand.

Whether this was your first or last year at Noxon...whether you started the year us or just arrived this week...we welcome you, we cherish you and we are "home" to you today and anytime you need us in the future. We hope the words of our pledge guide you through the summer and beyond....reminding you of the hero you are.

"Today is a new day. I will act in a kind and helpful way. I will respect and encourage others. I will be responsible for my learning and accountable for my choices. Today I will be the most outstanding me I can be. I am a Noxon hero!"

Please look at the pictures below of our Moving Up Day, where our current Kindergarten through Fourth Grade students got to spend time with the teachers of the grade level they will be in next year! Also, please enjoy the 4th grade performance link from Mrs. Wemple!

Also, please note that on **FRIDAY, SEPT. 3rd we will have a **STAFF/STUDENT MEET AND GREET** for all students in first through fifth grade **AND a KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION** for our incoming Kindergarten students! Look for more information coming this summer and expect continued communication from me throughout the summer to update you on what's to come in September.**

Thanks for everything this year and please have a safe and restful vacation! Dr. Murray



Fourth Grade Chorus presents: **“Seasons of Love”**

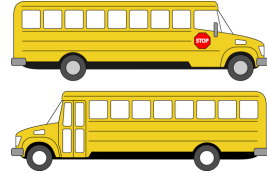
“Its time now to sing out though the story never ends
Let's celebrate remember a year in a life Of friends” We hope you all enjoy!



COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



A special shout out to Bus Driver, Angela for making your students feel special, safe, and loved on your bus this year! Your students wanted to thank you for going above and beyond for them!



We are truly overwhelmed by the generosity of Ms. LaColla's and Ms. Heaton's 2nd Grade class! We were able to fill a 45 gallon, Sterilite tub with all kinds of wonderful summer toys for the children at The Children's Home in Poughkeepsie. Mrs. Tompkins (a former Noxon parent who works at the C.H.) will be delivering the goodies. She expresses her deepest thanks and appreciation for your thoughtfulness, and said the children will really love all the goodies.



The [Children's Home of Poughkeepsie](#) is a 174 year-old organization dedicated to providing a safe and nurturing environment that improves lives and empowers at-risk children and families in the Hudson Valley and surrounding communities.

PTA Corner

Thank you for all your help and support! Have a safe and happy summer!



The Noxon Road Elementary PTA will continue to use this [Friday Family Letter](#) and the [Noxon Road Elementary PTA Official Facebook Page](#) to keep you informed of upcoming events and fundraisers in the summer and next year.



Remember that [AMAZON SMILE](#) and [BOX TOPS](#) are EASY ways to support our school over the summer!



Please help us make our PTA be the best it can be! Please complete the Google Form [HERE](#) by June 30th.



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