# **NORA NOTATIONS**



October 2018 Issue 2

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### Dear Nora Families,

It is an exciting and busy time of the year at Nora! We are excited about all of the fun activities we have coming up this month and as we move in to November. On October 26<sup>th</sup> we will host our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Bonfire @ 6pm. We hope you will join us for one of our favorite family nights. There will be s'mores, a hayride, trunk-r-treat and so much more. There will be food for sale to enjoy dinner. In addition, please make sure you have signed up for a parent teacher conference in November. Conferences are a great way to connect with the teacher and to ensure we are all working as a team to support your son/daughter. Together we can do great things for every student at Nora!

Nora Attendance Line 317-259-8856

\* Parents must call in their child's absence to the Nora Attendance Line by 9am on the day the student is absent.

### Sincerely,

Amber

# Fall Break: October 8-12

Enjoy your fall break! Students can still access Dreambox and Lexia over break. Who will complete their Dreambox lessons (gr k-2 should complete 5-6 lessons a week and grades 3-5 should complete 7-8 lessons per week.) Who will meet their Lexia minutes for the week>

### Important Reminders

- All changes to dismissal transportation must be received by 2:30pm. No changes will be taken after 2:30pm.
- Anyone picking up a student from school must be listed as the parent/guardian or on the Emergency Contact List. Each person will be asked to provide ID.

### **October After School Activities:**

1: Good News Club, Karate, Choir, tutoring, Butler Group 3: Student Council, Garden Club, tutoring

- 15: Good News Club, Karate, Choir, tutoring, Butler Group 17: Garden Club, Artistically Talented, tutoring
- 22: Good News Club, Karate, Choir, tutoring, Butler Group
- 24: Garden Club, Artistically Talented, Tutoring
- 29: Good News Club, Karate, Choir, tutoring, Butler Group



## **Nora Teachers are Amazing!** Meet Tania Walker~ World Language



**IB Learner Profile:** Open Minded/ Inquirer

Favorite Book: The Alchemist, Paolo Coelho

College Attended: Purdue University

In my free time I enjoy spending time with my daughter, crafts, yoga, and reading a good book.

I wanted to become a teacher because my high school music teacher was an inspiration to me and is one of the primary reasons I decided to pursue a career in education. She recognized my abilities and provided experiences which allowed her students to make connections beyond the classroom. Her influence shifted the trajectory of my life and has inspired me to be a model of change for my students.



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# **Dates to Remember**

	October
3	Dine to Donate- Chipotle 4-8pm 1560 E 86 <sup>th</sup> Street – NORA
5	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
8-12	Fall Break- No School
16	Piano Starts @ Nora
15	Nora Coat Distribution
16	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Candy Bar Sales begins
16	PTA meeting @ 6pm
17	Food Pantry open 3:45-5:00pm
19	Report Cards go home
18-19	Mobile Dentist
26	Artistically Talented Field Trip
26	ENL Tea @ 9am
26	Nora Bonfire 6-8pm

	November
1	Early Release @ 2:15
3	Advancement Center Bash
5	Dine to Donate all day- City BBQ Location: Rangeline Road in Carmel
6	No School
7	5 <sup>th</sup> gr to Capital Group
8	5 <sup>th</sup> gr to Capital Group
9	Human Growth & Development- grades 4 & 5
13	PTA meeting
14	Food Pantry open 3:45-5:00pm
14-16	Book Fair Open
16	VIP Day @ 7:30am
16	Midterms Go Home
19-23	No School- Thanksgiving Break
30	ENL Tea @ 9:00am

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### My Portal: myportal.msdwt.k12.in.us

A great reading and math resource to use at home is Lexia and Moby Max. If you have access to the internet at home, your son/ daughter can log in each day and work to improve their reading and math fact mastery. If you do not have access to the internet at home, the public library has free access for students to use each day. This would be a great opportunity for the whole family to visit the library. If your son/ daughter cannot remember their login and password, please contact their teacher.

Lexia at Home

**Dreambox at Home** http://www.lexiacore5.com website info coming soon!

### Books & Bonfire: October 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:00pm

The PTA is proudly planning our Fifth Annual Books & Bonfire on October 26<sup>th.</sup> We hope that you will join us for this fun, family Friday night with your kids. There will be many fun activities for the whole family, including hayrides, Smores, games, snacks, and much more. Church at the Crossing has partnered with the PTA to provide Nora students and their families the opportunity to trunk-r-treat during this family night. We hope that you will join us and enjoy a wonderful night with us.

We are asking for families to donate the following items:



Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> grade: Chocolate Bars 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grade: Graham Crackers

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade: regular sized marshmallows

Please send these items to the front office. Thank you for your help and support as we work to make this a wonderful night of fun for all!

Parent Teacher Conferences will take place over a two week period in November, starting November 5. English conferences will be scheduled the week of November 5 and bilingual conferences will be scheduled the week of November 12. Please make sure you have returned the paper letting us know when you are available to meet. These meetings are very important so that we can work together to ensure vour child's success.

### Nora Coat Distribution will occur in October!

Over 500 coats will be distributed to our Nora Students. Thank you to our generous donor- Church at the Crossing.



### **Know Your Zone: Balancing Enrollment**

As our public schools continue to grow, MSDWT is working to ensure enrollment is stabilized at our schools. On May 9, 2018, the MSDWT School Board approved attendance boundaries, to begin in 2019-2020, for the District's eight elementary schools and three middle schools. Many families will be required to change schools beginning in 2019. During the 2018-2019 school year, the District's schools' administration will provide

more information, including opportunities for families to learn about their new schools. Families may access an online map indicating the elementary and middle school assigned to each District address. Here you will find a link to the map: www.croppermap.com/msdwt



### LIMITED CHOICE applications for 2019-2020

Families living within the Metropolitan School District of Washington Township boundaries may submit an application for their child(ren) to attend a school, other than their home/assigned school. Applications for the 19-20 school year are due October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

New attendance boundaries for all District elementary and middle schools will be in effect beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. To determine your home/assigned school, you may visit the District Enrollment Boundaries Interactive Map.

Limited Choice applications are DUE OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup>! Go to the MSDWT website to apply and learn more about the process.



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**REPORT CARDS!** Report Cards will be distributed on October 19. Please look for these to come home, but also please make sure you are checking your child's grades online using your Skyward login and password.

Nora Nightly Homework for every student: \*Read for 20 minutes \* Practice Math facts for 10 minutes

**Nora Food Pantry** 3:45pm-5:00pm August 15 September 19 October 17 November 14 December 19 January 16 February 20 March 20 April 17 **May 15** 











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### ATTENTION KROGER SHOP

Help earn money for Nora Elementary School every time you shop simply by registering your Kroger Plus card online.

Follow these instructions to register:

Go to: http://www.krogercommunityrewards.c

- Login to your Kroger account or create one with a valid email address and a rewards card. (Your rewards number is the number under the barcode on your Kroger Plus card)
- Once logged into your Kroger account, search for NORA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA either by name YS962 and then click Enro

You must have a registered Kroger rewards card account to link to our organization. If you don't have a Kroger rewards card, they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.



