

# Noonan Academy

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## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Classes resume Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>
- ◆ Jan. 6 Grade Level Newsletters emailed home and posted on website
- ◆ 1/11 Homeroom group pictures and Kindergarten and 8<sup>th</sup> grade in cap and gown.
- ◆ *1/16 Martin Luther King Day - NO School or Daycare - Teacher In-service Day*
- ◆ *1/26 Open House 6:00 - 7:30*

## Principal's News

We wish you and your family a wonderful Christmas Season, a restful winter break, and all the best for the New Year.

Special thanks to everyone who helped with the wonderful PTA Holiday Extravaganza. The PTA would like to thank all of the families for donating gifts for the Holiday Shop. We couldn't do it without all of you!

Our families did a wonderful job of giving from their hearts for the Toy Drive for needy children. I'm sure there will be many happy children Christmas morning because of your thoughtfulness.

Our Open House for the 2012-2013 school year is scheduled for January 26<sup>th</sup>. We would love to have you attend to meet with all of our staff, however if you aren't able to

attend, we'll be sending home the registration forms.

Enrollment has been opened to the general public.

**I am very happy to let you know that we have many new students already enrolled for the 2012-2013 school year. It seems everyone's hard work and advertising efforts have been beneficial. Thank you!!!**

If you are cleaning out usable games, videos or toys that could be used during our Aftercare, please send them in.

Please remember that my door is always open whenever you have questions or concerns. Don't hesitate to stop in, give me a call or send me an email at [noonanacademy@earthlink.net](mailto:noonanacademy@earthlink.net).

## Uniforms

Please help your child dress according to the guidelines. Many students have been coming to school without the appropriate uniform or shoes. Middle school students need to wear their ties and keep their collars buttoned down. Girls need to wear their white anklets or in cooler weather they may wear navy or white tights. Sweaters, sweatshirts, and fleeces must have the Noonan logo. Thank you for your help!

## Registration for the 2012/2013 School year!

Our Open House is Thursday, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 7:30.

### We'd love to see you there!

We don't have all of the information needed to determine the actual tuition rate for the 2012-2013 school year yet, however, if an increase is needed it will be minimal.

## Student of the Month

Pre-K 3  
Maelea

Pre-K 4  
Nina  
Preston  
Micah

Kindergarten Mrs. McDonald  
Ava  
Kaian

1<sup>st</sup> Mrs. Stephenson  
Ishaan  
Leondro  
Thomas

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Miss Wichman  
Kelby  
Gaby

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Mrs. Ehler  
Lucas

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Miss Troxler  
Ana

5<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Gedra  
Milan Tucker

6<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Henderson  
Cevian

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mr. Henderson  
Patrick  
Aspen

Multi-level Class Mrs. Pistorio  
Griffin

## January Birthdays

1/9 Nolan  
1/10 Madison  
1/15 Allyson  
1/16 Sylah  
1/19 Kelby  
1/23 Nikita  
1/25 Milan



## NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Mr. Tabor has resigned as our AD, due to time constraints with the ongoing demands.

Miss Troxler has agreed to take on the AD duties, with a lot of help from all of us, for the remainder of the year.

Due to this change, we will be placing the PreK - 4<sup>th</sup> grades intramural program on old for now. **Please watch for more information on the intramural programs in the Spring, when a final decision will be made.**

## Student Pictures

Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> homeroom group pictures will be taken for the Yearbook. Everyone must be in uniform. Our Kindergarten and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will have pictures taken in their Graduation cap and gown. Forms will be sent home *on Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>* - one for the individual cap and gown picture and one for a group picture of the homeroom.

***Candid pictures for the Yearbook need to be turned into Fran by Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>. They start putting the Yearbook together by this time.***

***We will also be taking Sports pictures on this day. Please have your middle school student bring in uniforms for any sport they have played, so they can change into that uniform for the group picture.***

***IF YOUR CHILD anticipates playing soccer, we'd like to have them notify the office so that we can get a group shot of our potential team to include in this year's Yearbook!!***

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Perfect Attendance

*Kindergarten Mrs. McDonald*  
Peyton

*1<sup>st</sup> Grade Mrs. Stephenson*  
Justin  
Jacob

*2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Miss Wichman*  
Brady

*3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Mrs. Ehler*  
Sophia  
Jenna

*4<sup>th</sup> Grade Miss Troxler*  
Josiah

*5<sup>th</sup> Grade Mrs. Gedra*  
None

*6<sup>th</sup> Grade Mrs. Henderson*  
Samantha  
Taylor

*7<sup>th</sup> Grade /8<sup>th</sup> grade Mr. Henderson*  
Christopher  
Joey  
Katie  
Madison

*Multi-level – Mrs. Pistorio*  
Talia            Samantha  
Griffin         Sydney

## Starting the New Year!!

As we begin the second half of our school year it's time to re-focus all of our efforts to ensure that our children are back on the "Learning Track." The holidays will be behind us, so please make sure that your child is getting enough sleep and is still taking responsibility for bringing home and completing school work. We will all be here ready to follow our schedules and do our best!

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## Sickness Expectations

If your child has a fever, diarrhea, or vomits, they **MUST** remain home for 24 hours before returning to school.

### NOTES TO SCHOOL

Our teachers often have to play the Devil's Advocate in trying to decide when a child should be sent to the office, because they say they have a headache, sore throat, etc.

If you have sent your child to school, with directions to call home if they get to feeling worse, **PLEASE** send a note informing the teacher to do so. So as not to set yourself up for a call from your child, it may be better to just let the teacher know in a note rather than telling your child to call IF they get to feeling worse. It's almost a given that you will receive a call when you tell the child to call.

Our rule of thumb is if the children don't have a fever we tell them to try to make it until the end of the day.

If we have a note from you telling us of a potential problem, we'll know that you wish to be contacted whether a fever is present or not. We appreciate your help with this issue!

Don't forget to check out our webpage on a regular basis, new links and resources are always being added!!!!

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## Great Pitcher or Great Hitter? It's a Matter of Perspective

Does attitude really mean that much? Can you really change the way you experience the world by changing your perspective? Consider this story:

When Ron gave his seven-year-old son Nick a ball and bat, Nick wanted to play immediately. Ron said, "Son, baseball is a serious game. You have to practice hard before you can play it." The boy went outside and began throwing the ball in the air and swinging at it over and over. After an hour he said, "Dad, can we play now?"

Ron said, "Show me what you can do."

Nick threw the ball in the air, took a mighty swing and missed. "Strike one," he said enthusiastically. Nick tossed the ball again and missed again. "Strike two," he yelled.

Ron tried to hide his concern when he said, "Concentrate, son. Remember, three strikes and you're out." The boy threw the ball again and swung so hard he fell to the ground after hitting nothing but air. Ron winced, but Nick had a triumphant grin.

"You struck out. Why are you happy?"

"Cause I'm really good at pitching."

You have to love Nick's attitude. He may not turn out to be a great hitter, but he's likely to lead a happy life. What's more, he'll probably bring warmth and cheer into the lives of others because an attitude like his is contagious.

Pessimists think people like Nick delude themselves by looking at the world through rose-colored glasses. Yet Nick's world is just as he sees it. His decision to view himself as a successful pitcher instead of a bad hitter will not only make him happier, it will contribute to his success.

It's not easy, but if we develop the wisdom to treat frustrations and failures as empowering experiences and generate the strength to let go of self-destructive resentments and grudges, our lives will be filled with a lot more sunshine. *This is Michael Josephson reminding you that character counts.*

# Items brought in for lunches and parties!!!

PLEASE pay attention to the labels when you purchase these items. As I walked around the Christmas parties today, I saw Sun Chips that had red and yellow dyes, artificial flavors in chips and SUGAR-FREE items which have artificial sweeteners - ALL of these things DO NOT meet our guidelines.

In the future, we will be sending these items back home with your child.

Thank you, Mrs. Sain