Dear Naches Trail Families,

We have two full weeks until winter break! Parents, please take time to note the calendar. Your students are working hard and we appreciate your support in valuing their education. They are blessed to have amazing talented teachers here at Naches Trail.

As we near the holidays, please know how much we value and appreciate your efforts getting your students to school when they can be here. It is hard! So much happens in the classroom that can’t be made up, so thank you for your efforts. While on vacation, encourage your children to read and practice some math facts. Make it a fun challenge! They will continue to need practice as we make up for some lost time over covid and this current time of weather and flu.

You don’t get these days back as a parent, so have some fun together! It’s ok to have limits and routines during vacation. Sometimes it makes life with kids a bit more manageable. But do take time for making some special memories with your beautiful children!

Have a wonderful winter holiday season and we look forward to the New Year!
Kay Gallo

Hello Families,
The winter season is upon us. Things to note as we get into this busy season are listed below. We hope that everyone has a safe winter season.

- As we get into the year we are still finding items on campus that can be very distracting. Please keep an eye out for items that your student are bringing to school.
- Winter break is right around the corner, keep in mind, the longer the students are removed from routine, the harder it will be to get them back into it. Try and develop some routines during the break to support your students.
- Keep in mind we are working on students using their words to express how they feel and solve a conflict. Try and do the same with your child at home so we are all on the same page.
- Quote of the month:
  - “Conflict, when handled correctly, strengthens.”
    - Benjamin Watson
Yellow ticket winners in October:

**Kindergarten:**
- Queen-Boyer
- Kenslee-Barnett
- Hudson-Teal
- Jordyn-Teal
- Miles-Teal
- Sylvie-Sapp
- Brynley-Sapp
- Nolan- Sapp

**1st Grade:**
- Mia- Davis
- Ailen- Davis
- Contez- Moss
- September- Gearhart
- Gabe-Thornburg

**2nd Grade:**
- Gabriel- Faut
- Adali- Faut
- Kiera- Anderson
- Malick- Anderson
- Kyrie- Anderson
- Jaxon- Siebert
- Lindsie- Siebert

**3rd Grade:**
- Addison-Hollister
- Gianna-Wilson
- Gracie-Camacho
- Sawyer-Camacho
- Willow-Silva
- Channing-Silva

**4th Grade:**
- Sophia-Brown
- Elijah- Brown
- Theresa-Meier
- Sophia-Meier
- Alex P.- Meier
- Mark- Meier
- Kaleb- Meier

**5th Grade:**
- Ryder-Mozingo
- Gabriel- Mozingo
- Kaden- McGurk
- Kellan- Grimm
- Aiden- Allen
- Levi- Allen

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**Dear Naches Trail Kindergarten Families,**

Junior Achievement of Washington, in partnership with Delta Airlines, has selected our Kindergarten students at Naches Trail Elementary, to each receive a gift to celebrate the holiday season. It only comes as a kind gesture to a deserving school. Delta Airlines wanted to give something to the community, and this was one way they decided to do it. Students will each get a wrapped gift to bring home before winter break. We will let you know what day to expect it when we have more information.

We appreciate our community partners doing something so special for our students.

**EmmaGrace U.**
- Miles A.
- Nolan E.
- Jacob A.
- Addie S.
- Vivienne N.
- Alani A.
- Selepa T.
- Gabriel C.
- Kennedy C.
- Darika C.
- Elijah Y.
- Isaiah G.
- Garrett G.
- Travis B.

**Elizabeth D.**
- Jesse H.
- Quinn L.
- Shelby M.
- Amanpreet K.
- Marc B.
- Sophia G.
- Maximus S.
- Baileigh C.
- Gabriel D.
- Shaira B.
- Kerina J.
- Sophia M.
Calendar Events:

**December:**
- 12/5- NTE Band/Orch./Choir Winter Concert NTE Gym @6:30 PM
- 12/7- Pearl Harbor Day
- 12/9- SLHS Music Co. Performance students only.
- 12/4- First Grade Musical Play NTE gym @ 6:30 PM
- 12/19-01/02- Winter Break No Students. Office is closed.

**Upcoming:**
- 01/03- Welcome Back from break!
- 01/04- Late Start
- 01/11- Late Start
- 01/16- No School- MLK Day
- 01/18- Late Start
- 01/25- PL Day, No School for Students
- 02/08- Late Start
- 02/10-PTA Valentine’s Day Dance
- 02/15- Late Start
- 02/20- No School- President’s Day

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**Staff Spotlight: Mrs. Hamilton**

Hello! My name is Christy Hamilton and I am the new Health and Fitness/ Physical Education teacher at Naches Trail. I have been teaching for 20 years. Of those 20 years, I have been a specialist for the last 6 of those years. I have taught Early Childhood Special Education, Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade. I started working in Bethel School District in 2004. I’ve previously worked at Evergreen and Shining Mountain elementaries.

I grew up in Puyallup and currently live in Gig Harbor with my husband, daughter, and daughter and our 2 cats. I enjoy spending time with friends and family, working out, listening to music, reading, and watching my favorite movies with my family.

Health and fitness are an important part of my life and teaching kids about getting fit while having fun is the best job in the world. I have really enjoyed getting to know all of the fantastic students, staff, and families at Naches Trail this year!