

# Friday Quick Notes for Families

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Monthly Character Education Focus: FAIRNESS (Kindergarten)

Inspirational Words: “You are today where your thoughts have brought you. You will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you.” – J.L. Allen, U.S. teacher and writer

## Calendar Outlook:

Friday, January 6 – Family Fun Night: New Year’s Dance (7-8:30PM)

Friday, January 13 – School Spirit Day / Family Fun Night Snow Date

Monday, January 16 – Closed

Tuesday, January 17 - Nixon’s Knick Knacks (8:52-9:15 – PreK-2 & 2:45 – 3:10 – Grades 3, 4, & KPM)

Wednesday, January 18 – PTA Meeting (Kindergarten & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade) – 7 PM

Thursday, January 19 - Book Swap (Grades 1-4: Lunch / Kindergarten 11:15 & 1:25)

Friday, January 20 – School Spirit Day

*Week of January 23 – School Security Drill*

Tuesday, January 24 – Illusion Maker Assembly

(Prek-2 – 1:15 AM & 3&4 – 2 PM in All Purpose Room)

Market Day Pick-Up

Friday, January 27 – School Spirit Day / 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period Ends

Monday, January 30 – Faculty Meeting (Focus: Report Card Entry) / Megan Returns

Friday, February 3 – School Spirit Day / PTA Family Fun Night (BINGO)

- Abraham Lincoln Assembly (2:00 – 3:00) Grade 4 – PLC Time

*Week of February 6 – School Security Drill*

Monday, February 6 – Cultural Arts Committee

Tuesday, February 7 - Nixon’s Knick Knacks (8:52-9:15 – PreK-2 & 2:45 – 3:10 – Grades 3, 4, & KPM)

- Kick off *Making Headlines* (Grade 4)

Wednesday, February 8 – PTA (Specials)

Friday, February 10 – School Spirit Day / Family Fun Night Snow Date

Saturday, February 11 – Community Book Swap (more details to come via flyer)

Monday, February 13 – Report Cards Launched in Genesis

Thursday, February 16 – Book Swap (Grades 1-4: Lunch / Kindergarten 11:15 & 1:25)

- Parents as Reading Partners – 2:45-3:10 PM

Friday, February 17 – In-service Day (No School for Students)

*Week of February 20 – Fire Drill*

Monday, February 20 – Closed

Tuesday, February 21

- Market Day Pick-Up
- Nixon’s Knick Knacks (8:52-9:15 – PreK-2 & 2:45 – 3:10 – Grades 3, 4, & KPM)

Friday, February 24 – School Spirit Day

- Daytime Science Fair – Schedule TBD
- Evening Science Fair – 7 PM

## News:

- **The OFFICIAL Bucket filler creators will be joining us in Roxbury on March 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.** As a result of a generous donation on behalf of R.O.M.A.C. and support of the district and PTAs, the Bucket Fillers will be spending a half a day at each elementary school – sharing a presentation with all students and families who would like to join us and then facilitating a faculty meeting training for staff. A huge thank you goes out to Mr. Dave Sterli and Officer Brian Feeny for moving this idea forward to R.O.M.A.C.! Mark your calendar: Nixon School Bucket Filler Assembly – March 12 @ 1:30 PM
- **Fire Inspection** – During a recent fire inspection, our school passed with flying colors.

- **Winter Break Energy Conservation** – According to Mr. D’Amico, our district’s Energy Education Specialist, our school “did great!” Special thanks goes out to all staff for helping the district to minimize costs as the schools shut down for the winter break.
- **Weichert Realtors** – Weichert Realtors in Landing was kind enough to donate a host of toys to Nixon School for use in the primary classrooms. Their generosity is greatly appreciated... Thank you for being such generous BUCKET FILLERS, Weichert Realtors!
- **Scholastic Book Fair Rewards** – Based upon the October Scholastic Book Fair sales, a variety of rewards had been earned for the school and they are just starting to roll in. Amongst the items received are: a school store cart to be used for Nixon’s Knick Knacks, a classroom area rug, 2 bean bag chairs, a wooden bookshelf, and varied literature... it is like the holidays all over again ☺ Special thanks to Mrs. Sparano and all the other Scholastic Book Fair helpers for their help in not only running the book fair, but also for working to secure these rewards for us!
- **Kindergarten Registration** – While this is two months out, I wanted to be sure everyone was aware of Nixon’s plans for Kindergarten Registration... Kindergarten Registration is by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Parents/Guardians can call (973) 398-2564 anytime to schedule an appointment to register their child on either March 19 or March 20 (Monday, March 19 – 9:30-2:30 & Tuesday, March 20 – 9:30–2:30 also 6:00-8:00 PM)

**Reminders:**

- The Nixon School Tricky Tray is coming!!! Mark your calendars... the Tricky Tray will be held at the Skylands in Randolph on Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>! More information will be coming soon!
- Shop & earn money for Nixon Elementary this holiday season by purchasing gift cards & certificates thru the Scripp program. For more information, please go to the Nixon website and check out the PTA Fundraising section. An email will also be sent out with all the details!

**Character Education Morning Announcements (2 per day):**

Kindergarten: Fairness

9- Alexander B. & Sophia D.

10- Hailey E. & Sean F.

11- Daniel F. & Julia G.

12- Madisyn G. & Madeline H.

13-Daniel M. & Grace M.

16-Brandon M. & Shawn R.

17- Ashleigh R. & Victor R.

18-Gage S. & Alexander B.

19-Ryan D. & Tyler B.

20-Connor C. & Jaymar R.

23-Joseph F. & Giuliana F.

24-Samantha G. & Julia G.

25-Sydney H. & Christopher L.

26-Zachary O. & Ejona R.

27-Derek R. & Aiden K.

30-Annika S. & Diego G.

31- Will O. & Natalie D.



**Birthdays:**

**January:**

9 – Aylia P.

11 – Annika, Haylie R.

12 – Taylor B., Mrs. Brajer

17 – Makayla C.  
19 – Miss Krincek, Mrs. Rafferty  
21 – Aidan R.  
24 – Jonathan S.  
27 – Max S., Aidan D.  
28 – Michelle M.  
30 – Karmen G.  
31 – Timothy T.

**Half Birthdays (JULY):**

10 – Sebastian P.  
11 – Jason S., Ms. DiAgostino  
13 – Ashley R.  
16 – Jason S.  
17 – Juan E.  
18 – Logan D.  
19 – Michael R., Mrs. Milde  
22 – Ms. LaCapra  
24 – Anthony B., Michael T.  
25 – Valerie N.  
26 – Megan R., Carolina C., Gabriel F., Diego F.  
27 – Carly D., Mrs. Carroll, and Mr. Kuti  
28 – Audrey V.  
29 – Kaia G., Mrs. O'Malley  
31 – Aiden K., Mrs. Freund