

News Horizons

New Horizons Academy Monthly Newsletter

MONTH: January 2016

January Cover Contest Winner: Mrs. Cortney's Class with their Snoopy Door Décor!

Calendar Days

1/04/16 - Welcome back from Christmas Break.

1/15/16 - End of the 2nd Semester

1/18/16 - CLOSED in observance of Martin Luther King Day

January Birthdays

Students:

Emma H. - 1/05
Kaiden B. - 1/15
Zion S. - 1/15
Auron T. - 1/16
Josh P. - 1/16
Jim F. - 1/22
Tim H. - 1/23
Chloe R. - 1/25
Abbie T. - 1/26

Staff:

Jenni B. - 1/22



Just Joking in January! by Christopher Schuab

1. Where does a polar bear store his money?
2. What did the snowman say to the other snowman?
3. What do you call 50 penguins in the Arctic?

January Classroom Feature: Mrs. Amy

Mrs. Amy is an Intervention Specialist here at N.H.A. She has been teaching for 34 years. She was inspired to work at New Horizons Academy by a need for a change and a drive to see that her teaching matters and greatly impacts her students. Mrs. Amy's class worked on writing Christmas letters to their parents and Santa Claus in December. They are also learning about natural quick changes in Science and in History they are learning about landforms and cultural groups.

Esty is a student in Mrs. Amy's classroom and she is being featured this month. Esty has worked diligently on an interesting 3 paragraph planet report and said, "I enjoy learning about new things with Mrs. Amy."

-Tony Schweinhagen

2016: The Year of the Movies!

2016 is said to be a great year for new release movies. According to Movie Insider, the top ten most popular animated movies coming out in 2016 are:

1. *Trolls*
2. *Moana*
3. *The Secret Life of Pets*
4. *Ice Age: Collision Course*
5. *Finding Dory*
6. *Angry Birds*
7. *Zootopia*
8. *Norm of the North*
9. *Kung Fu Panda 3*
10. *Ratchet and Clank*

I am looking forward to watching many of these movies, as I'm sure you are too!

- Sidney Munger

What's Happening at NHA?

Principal Burkholder has a lot of changes planned for the coming months, including January. He says that most of it depends on the weather, as last year the snowy conditions were atrocious. Principal Burkholder will be getting the state tests ready to be taken at the end of the year. The students are working hard to prepare for these test; more information will be given on the upcoming testing dates in the months to follow.

Over winter break, Principal Burkholder is planning to remodel the gym room and install tiles in place of the carpet. The new storage shed should also be complete, so there will be more room to store things out of the building. With the new storage building up, the chair and table room will now become a classroom for the SLP and OTA.

On January 15th, the first semester ends, meaning that the school year is about 50% done. On the 18th of January, we will have the day off of school in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

We would like to thank the parents for their generous donations to the Adriel Giving Tree. The children that were provided these gifts will surely enjoy them. We would also like to thank you for the many donations to *Backpacks of Hope*. This program continues to provide families with a weekend meal solely from your kind giving.

- James Price

Quick Look: January by Sidney Munger

The students had a blast at the school dance!



Welcoming a new student!

Please stop and welcome Bowen in Mrs. Michelle's room. Bowen just turned 3 years old and we are so glad to have him here! Bowen is originally from Ethiopia. He seems very excited to be here at NHA. Bowen loves bubbles, Jake and the Never Land Pirates, and coloring. He lives with his mom, dad, and older brother.

Welcoming a new classroom Aide!

Please stop and welcome Miss Ashlyn in Mrs. Alycia's classroom. She is from Wauseon and went to Pettisville High School. Miss Ashlyn started her degree to become an Intervention Specialist at Bethel University in Mishawaka, Indiana. She plans on finishing her degree in the upcoming future. She feels very fortunate to have obtained a job working at NHA and loves the students!