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CALENDAR UPDATE

October	20	9:00am Top Ten Race
	21	8:30am 2nd Grade CogAT testing
	22	10:00am PTA Art Framing Session
		9:00am GT Parent Meeting
		6:30pm PTA Art Framing Session
	23	9:30am 4th Grade Gunston Hall Trip
	24	NSES Night at AHS Football Game
	27	Red Ribbon Week
	29	9:30am Preschool Parent Coffee
	31	8:30am 1st Grade to Lake Accotink

NSES Night at Annandale High School Football Game

NSES Night at an Annandale High School Football game will be **Friday, October 24th**. The night will start with a tailgate party from 5:30-6:30pm at North Springfield before the game with the PTA selling pizza and beverages. Then everyone will meet at AHS at 7:05pm to set up for running across the football field. A ticket will be sent home with students on Thursday, October 23rd. Additional tickets can be purchased for \$5 at AHS on game night.

Top Ten Race

Keep your fingers crossed for a beautiful day on **Monday, October 20 at 9:00am** for the Top Ten Race. This is always a fun and exciting event that the entire school community looks forward to.

Student Holidays (11/3 and 11/4)

Just a friendly reminder, please make day care arrangements now for the following dates. School will be closed Monday, November 3rd and Tuesday, November 4th are student holidays to accommodate parent/teacher conferences.

NSES Parking on November 4

When planning on coming to NSES on November 4th to either pick up your Sally Foster orders or to attend your parent/teacher conference please remember that day is also the Presidential Election Day. Since NSES is a polling place we are anticipating parking to be difficult and crowds to be large that day. We advise you to park in designated parking spaces only and if possible park along Axton Street or Heming Avenue.

Impact Aid Forms To Be Completed at Conferences

Every year all students enrolled in school are required by the federal government to complete and return an Impact Aid Form. The information received from these forms is kept confidential and is used to allocate federal grant money to our school. For your convenience we are choosing to use our Parent/Teacher conferences on **November 3rd and 4th** as the opportunity to complete these forms.

SCA New Winter Clothing Drive Ends October 31

With the weather so warm and beautiful we know it is hard to think about warm clothing. The SCA is currently in the process of collecting "new" warm clothing to donate to a local shelter. Any donations of new hats, scarves, gloves, mittens, boots and jackets can be given to your student's classroom teacher no later than Friday, October 31. Thank you for your contributions.

Preschool Parent Coffee

Ms. Alexander, Principal, and Mr. McRae, Assistant Principal, invite all preschool parents to join them for coffee and conversation on October 29th at 9:30am.

PTA News

Next PTA Meeting

NSES PTA meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month. Since the first Tuesday of November is election day the meeting will be held on **Tuesday, November 11 at 7:00pm in the library**. Our fourth grade team will be the guest speakers for the November meeting. We look forward to seeing you there.

Art Framing Session

The PTA Art Committee will hold the first framing session of the year on Wednesday, October 22, 8:30-10am in the cafeteria and later 6:30-8:30pm in the Art Room. Your "little Picassos" have been hard at work creating masterpieces these first 2 months of school. The framing committee consists of volunteer parents like you! We meet for 2 hours one morning and one evening a month to frame the work of our student artists, display the framed work in the art hallway and then we provide it for purchase at a very low cost. You would be amazed at the difference a simple frame can make to a child's painting and the sense of pride when that child sees their work on display! We hope you can join us at our first framing session. The framing is simple (if you can handle a glue stick, you are qualified!) and a lot of fun. Questions? Contact Dana Cibulski at danacibulski@cox.net or (703)642-0375.

Teacher Workday Lunch

On Monday, November 3rd the PTA will be hosting a potluck lunch for the NSES teachers and staff. This is a wonderful way to give back to our staff for all they do for our children. If you are interested in contributing a dessert, salad, or \$5 donation please contact either Amy Hughes at (703)354-7402, amyh1@cox.net or Kathy Dannholz at (703)941-9250, shambz@verizon.net.

PTA Reflections Program—Deadline, November 5th

If your student is considering participating in the PTA Reflections Program keep in mind that the deadline is quickly approaching. For guidelines to enter your child's art work in this program check out <http://www.novadistrictpta.org/reflections/reflections.htm> or contact our NSES representative, Beth Oliver at (703)256-4662.