

Upcoming School Events:

Tues. 1/13	Board of Trustees meeting @ 6:30 pm
Fri. 1/16	Re-enrollment information goes home
Mon. 1/19	SCHOOL CLOSED: MLK Jr Day
Fri. Jan 30:	Letters of Intent due to the office by 4 pm
Fri. Feb. 6:	First Friday Coffee Time 8:45 - 9:30 AM
Sat. Feb. 7:	Parent Work Day 9 - 3 @ NBS
Tues. Feb. 10:	Board of Trustees meeting @ 6:30 pm
Mon. Feb. 16:	SCHOOL CLOSED: Presidents' Day: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Tues. Feb. 17*:	Closed: February Break: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS*
Wed. Feb. 18*:	Closed: February Break: NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS*

*This February Break includes NBS's snow make-up days. If we have to make up days missed due to inclement weather on these days, we will notify families.

Re-enrollment information for current families for 2026-27 will be coming home NEXT week attached to the Friday newsletter. Please be on the lookout for it next week. For siblings who are not currently enrolled, please complete the application ASAP (if you have not already turned one in) - they can be found [here](#).

Items needed:

- The Art room is in need of shoe boxes & small boxes for Valentine box creation. Please bring them into the office!

Reminders...

- **Dressing for the weather**- Because Virginia weather is weird and all over the place, it is important to dress appropriately for weird weather. Layers for peeling off or adding on as needed, coats, hats, and gloves/mittens are ideal--and warm socks or shoes because no one likes cold or wet tootsies.
- **Inclement Weather** -If you are in any doubt about whether school is open or closed, always check the school answering machine (540-456-8450) and the school website north-branch-school.org for a message about school delays or closings. The message will be posted by 7:30AM of the day in question. NBS closings and delays are also posted on NBC Channel 29 television news, and online at www.nbc29.com. If there is a 2-hour delay, Preschool will be canceled and there is no Before Care.

We will make every effort to send a school-wide email but cannot guarantee one can be sent

Did you know...

- The Middle Schoolers reimagined the 1431 trial of Joan of Arc on Friday morning, with parents and Seniors acting as the jury. Was she found guilty of heresy and treason? Tune into next week's newsletter for the verdict.
- Lots of great photos from St. George to follow, but don't miss the first blog post which features the Seniors & Middle Schoolers during their first rehearsal at RVCC: [St. George photos - 1](#)

Many thanks to...

- Everyone who helped with *St. George & the Dragon*. Thank you to everyone who helped with things big & small: transportation, costume help, feeding students, setting up & cleaning up and everything in between. We could not make the production happen without everyone's help.
- And to everyone who contributed to the donation basket at St. George. Your generosity added \$527 to the scholarship established to honor former student Naomi Scherr's memory.

- Wendy's Makers' Elective, Sean & the Middle Schoolers, and the generous crafters who donated items for the North Branch table after we had to cancel due to snow. The tables brought in over \$1,500 to benefit NBS students in a variety of ways!
- Rosie & John Guild - Fox, Maxwell, and Chelsea's grandparents - who sent a donation for NBS to purchase rubber mulch for the gaga ball pit!

Ways to help NBS...

- NEW ITEMS - baseball caps, trucker hats, windbreakers, athletic ¼ zip up shirts for adults & youth, polo shirts for adults! Shop today. They make great holiday gifts!
<https://north-branch-school.org/nbs-apparel/>
- **There is still time to order individual school pictures!** Our wonderful photographer, Coe Sweet, really captured your children's personalities! Families received a separate email with the link and password.. Please let Bonnie or Autumn know if you need this sent to you again.

In the Community...

- Nelson County Parks & Recreation will be offering two free opportunities for children to meet the Forestry department & the Sheriff's Department's kg dog & handler. These are free events, but do require registration. Events are at the Nelson Center. You can find out more information and [register online](#). Forestry Department 1/15 @ 9:30 am & Sheriff's Office 1/21 @ 10 am



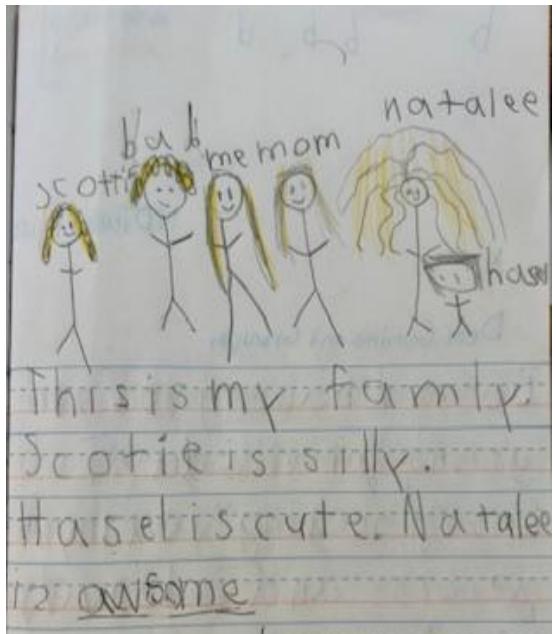
Levon - Early Primary



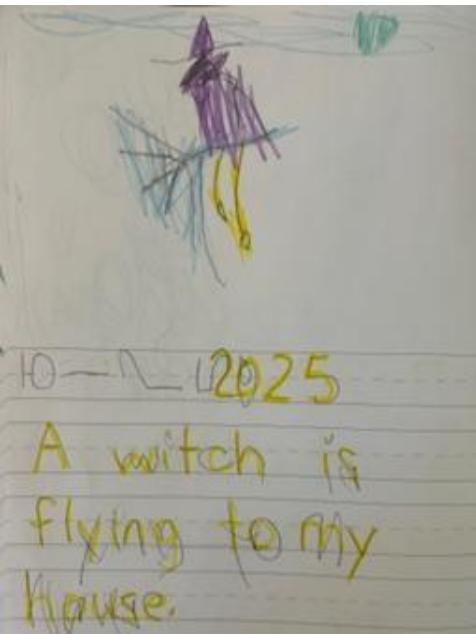
Carolina - Seniors



Henry - Juniors



Lola - Primary Yellow



Karena - Early Primary



Dalilah - Early Primary