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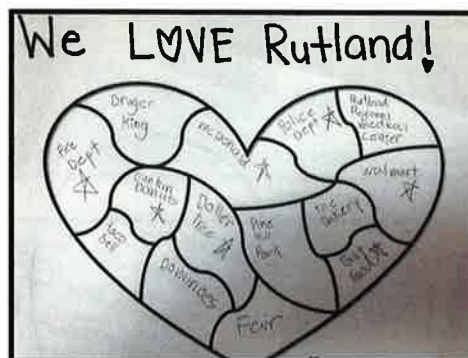
Every Student, Every Day!

Parents, Families, Friends and Educators Working Together on Behalf of our Children!

Spreading Love in Rutland

Second graders put their talent to good use earlier this month by crafting special valentines to give to 16 different downtown businesses. Our students love so much about this wonderful city. On each of the valentines they wrote a short message to let folks know all that they love: the fishing streams, the parks, the library, their school, sledding, the walking paths, the library, places to eat, friends, and so much more!

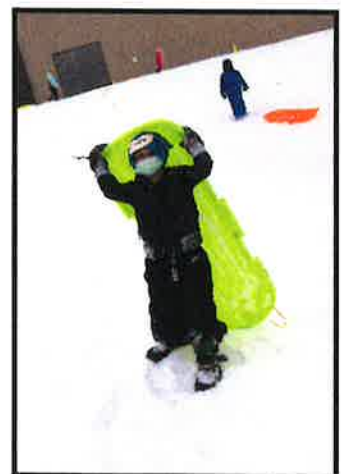
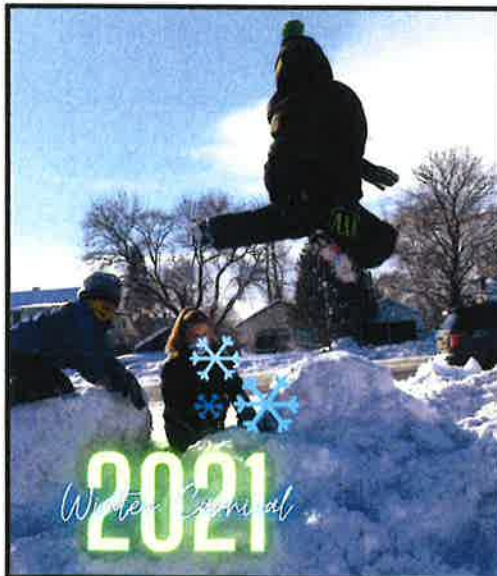
Northwest partnered with Northeast to spread lots of love for this project. Thank you to our volunteer coordinator, Lindsey Etcheson, for organizing this event with Nikki Hindman from Rutland Downtown Partnership, thank you to Jones' Bakery for providing goodies for the second graders, thank you to our second grade teachers for all their help and enthusiasm for this project, and a very special thank you to our second graders for spreading a little love in our great City of Rutland that they love so much!



Check out the article [The Rutland Herald](https://www.rutlandherald.com/news/local/valentines-warm-up-downtown-windows/article_fae7ec96-f1fb-55cf-be44-0dce4bd7901f.html) wrote: https://www.rutlandherald.com/news/local/valentines-warm-up-downtown-windows/article_fae7ec96-f1fb-55cf-be44-0dce4bd7901f.html

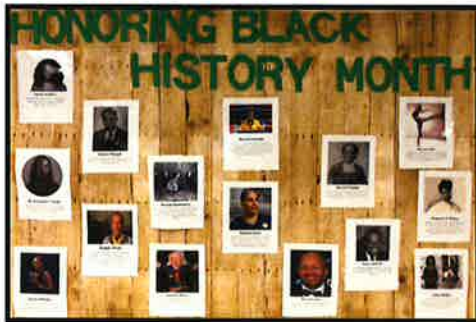
A Winter Carnival for NW Students!

Did you hear the whoops of joy and shouts of glee earlier this month when our amazing Star Students earned another PBIS celebration?! Each one of our classrooms worked hard on their classroom goals, and as a result, our students enjoyed a school-wide Winter Carnival! For social distancing and safety reasons, our students stayed within their recess cohorts as they hiked over to Giorgetti to sled down the big hill, snowshoe on the trails, create snow sculptures, and enjoy hot cocoa and a cookie! Many thanks to Mr. Cupoli for organizing the fun-filled day, along with Lindsey Etcheson, Aubrey McLaughlin, Alicia Engel, Hannah Salmon, Sarah Crossmon, Officer LaGuardia and all of our faculty and staff who pitched-in to make the day fun and exciting for our students! Our Northwest students continue to learn and grow as they show those Star Student qualities we all appreciate and expect: Show Respect, Treat Others with Kindness, Always Be Safe, and Reach for the Stars!



Honoring Black History Month

February marks Black History Month, a federally recognized celebration of the contributions Black people made in our country. Throughout the month, our students heard about many Black Americans who contributed a great deal to our community and our country. Children heard about **Dr. Kizzmekia (Kizz mee key ah) Corbett**, a lead scientist developing the basis for Covid 19 vaccinations. They heard about **James West** and his invention: the foil electret microphone that allows us to work and talk together on phones and computers every day, and it's used in hearing aids and in space technology! During our morning announcements throughout the month of February, we highlighted a different Black American who contributed to our country. A special thank you to Mrs. Akin for sharing her research with all of us! Pictured below is a bulletin board highlighting many Black Americans and Mrs. Nelson teaching her 2nd grade class about Black history.



Celebrating our Counselors



The first week of February is National School Counseling Week. We truly appreciate our counseling team and Rutland Mental Health employees and all they do to support our students and their families! Thank you, thank you, thank you to Madison Akin, Amanda Gurney, Saaz Baweja, Alicia Engel, Hannah Salmon, Angelique Parks and over at PPLC... Chris Wetzel and Kayla Thomas. We love our counseling team!

Parent Conferences Coming Soon!

Parents and caregivers— Conferences are quickly approaching! Please be on the lookout for information to sign-up for this important time for you and your child's teacher to confer. Research shows that children learn more and earn better grades when parents and teachers work together as a team throughout the school year. Please share your questions, concerns, and joyful moments during these conferences. In the fall, 90% of our parents and caregivers participated in conferences! What an amazing turnout on behalf of our Northwest children! Thank you, all! We look forward to meeting with all of you again!

What's for Lunch???

Go to the Northwest Primary website and look for Rutland menus or go to:
<https://rutlandcitypublicschools.nutrislice.com/menu/northwest-primary?mode=browse>

100th Day of School Celebrations!

Students throughout Northwest recognized the 100th Day of School on February 23rd! Our students celebrated being 100 days smarter! What an exciting time for all!



Read Across America Week

A Week to Celebrate a Nation of Diverse Readers!

Tuesday, March 2nd— Wear Crazy Socks

Wednesday, March 3rd— Wear your Favorite or Crazy Hat

Thursday, March 4th— Wear your Clothes Backwards or Mismatched

Friday, March 5th— Wear the Color Yellow as a Symbol of Friendship & Caring

Important Upcoming Dates to Remember:

3/1-3/5: Read Across America Week
3/2/21: Voting Day!
3/3/21: Hero Assembly for Students
3/10/21: PTC Meeting: Google Meets @ 6:30pm
3/12/21: NO SCHOOL: Professional Development Day
3/14/21: Daylight Savings Time "Spring Forward"
3/18/21: NOON DISMISSAL: PM Parent Conferences
3/19/21: NO SCHOOL: Parent Conferences
4/12-4/16: NO SCHOOL: Spring Break
4/18/21: Classes Resume

February Star Student Lessons:

Kindness: Star Students show that they care and consider other people's feelings.

Perseverance: Star Students try again and again, even when it's hard.

At Northwest School we value a safe, nurturing environment that fosters independence as students develop a lifelong love of learning.

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