



The STAR Reporter

Naldrett Newsletter



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Dean A. Naldrett Mission Statement: Naldrett staff, in partnership with parents and community, will provide a positive, nurturing, learning environment in which students can achieve their full potential.



Principal's Corner

Happy Holidays,

The Christmas holiday is quickly approaching. It is hard to believe it is already December. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for your continued support. We value our partnership with you and look forward to a continued relationship throughout the remainder of the school year. Shortly after we return from the holiday break, our staff will continue to go over our positive behavior expectations within our PBIS program and the Positivity Project.

We are beginning the second quarter of the school year. It is important to focus on developing the whole child. Perhaps the new year will be a great time to try something new (i.e. a sport, hobby, lesson or activity). Please talk with your child about short-term and long-term goals early so you can continue to be a support as we strive for academic success. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns at any time.

I wish you and your family a very happy holiday season.

Heidi Stephenson, Principal

REMINDER:

CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS AT THE END OF THE DAY ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22ND.

No school from December 23rd, 2023 through January 2nd, 2024.

SCHOOL RESUMES ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3rd, 2024.

**HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A SAFE AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**



COOKIES WITH SANTA: TUESDAY, DEC. 5TH



KDGN – 2ND GR: 5:30 PM – 6:15 PM
3RD – 5TH GR: 6:15 PM – 7 PM

YOU MUST RSVP for this event! You may attend at whatever time works best for you. It's more like an open house style event.



Classroom Christmas Parties

Parents, please watch your child's backpack for information regarding individual holiday party information – communication will come from classroom teachers. The last day of school for 2023 is on Friday, December 22nd – **School wide PJ Day** - and we will have a full day of school. School will resume at its normal time on Wednesday, January 3rd, 2024. Happy Holidays!!!

DROP-OFF / PICK-UP

Parents, with everything going on in the next few weeks, PLEASE make sure to pay attention when dropping your student(s) off and picking them up. The drop off line is not a parking spot. If you need to get out of your vehicle to help your child carry items into school, please park in the parking lot and cross at the crosswalk by the crossing guard.

Do not pull into a parking spot and drop your student off to cross on their own. Cars that are leaving the lot may not see the kids. Our first goal is to keep everyone safe – students and parents alike!!!

Last of all, NO PETS should be in the pick-up area! As gentle as your pet may be, we don't want to run the risk of someone getting injured or bit. Thank you for your cooperation!

Let's Stay Healthy!

Parents, PLEASE remember to follow the 24-hour fever free or vomit free without medicinal help rule with your students if they are ill. Thank you for your cooperation!



1st Quarter Honor Roll Announced!

With our first quarter behind us and conferences completed, we are VERY proud to announce our First Quarter Honor Roll Students. ***Congratulations to:***

4th Grade – All A: Giovanni Caruso, Easton Elsey, Levi Eveland, Alaina Gatto, Owen Krauseneck, Max Pulverenti, Anderson Ramlow and Brayden Wilson.

4th Grade – A/B: Eleanor Bommarito, Charlotte Collins, Zoey Criner, Isabella Dietrich, Aiden Gruber, Payton Huskey, Gabrielle Jordan, John Kort, Aria Lents, Gino Lertola, Kylee Lietz, Christin Magnan, Constantine Matti, Mia Moeller, Liam Mosley, Brooke Murphy, Ashton Nester, Tyler Pate, Lillyana Rushlow, Matthew Schroeder, Logan Scott, Owen Skrumbellos, Brooklyn Snell, Gianna Turcott and Chase Vornold.

5th Grade – All A: Brayden Brege, Jerome Brown, Mariana Carter, Elijah Czarnecki, Emma Dulics, Andrew Elmore, Abigail Eppens, Edith Hutchinson, Zachary Kane, Xander Kliemann, Autumn Hubbert, Trey Janusz, Annabelle Krassa, Lily Marchetti, Elise Marentette, Liam McEvoy, McKinley Muir, Jayden Norris, Ryan Price, Emily Vornold, Mackenzie Wrobel and Madison Wrobel.

5th Grade – A/B: Cody Baker, Lydia Bilof, Brayden Carriveau, Samantha Chandler, Karoline DeLuca, My'Aire Duncan, Justin Figlan, Evelyn Gillern, Ava Glambin, Chloe Grant, Liam Harvey, Elzbieta Hughey, Alycia Iverson, David Kapolka, Georgia Lertola, Mia Lomasney, Jacob Nowak, Gino Phillips, Logan Rogers, Guiliauna Rousseau, Anthony Torres, Marlee Valdez, Fu Chi Vang and Alexa Wheeler.

Naldrett Student Council News

The Student Council Butter Braid sale brought in over \$2,000! This money will be used in conjunction with our annual Glow Stick Walk-A-Thon and Ice Cream Social as well as other events throughout the school year.

Starting Monday, Dec. 4th through Friday, Dec. 8th we will have our Hats/Mittens/New Toys drive. Students can bring in any of these items and place them in the boxes outside the staff workroom.

HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE!

NEW BALTIMORE GOODFELLOWS – NO CHILD WITHOUT A CHRISTMAS

The New Baltimore Goodfellows are now accepting applications for their “No Child Without a Christmas” program. Gifts are given to children birth through age 15. Applications are available from any Anchor Bay School and the New Baltimore City office. Completed applications can be returned to the above locations or mailed directly to New Baltimore Goodfellows, PO Box 82, New Baltimore, MI 48047. You can also email completed applications to

nbgoodfellows@yahoo.com. **Applications must include ALL required information:**

- Proof of Anchor Bay School District Residency (Example: copy of current driver’s license or utility bill).
- Signed application by a Parent or Guardian.
- A VALID phone number on the application – Phone number is necessary to notify you of the date you will receive the gift.
- Copy of the Birth Certificate for each child is required.
- Proof of Income for the family required. (Example: Copy of a current Bridge Card)

No phone call referrals will be accepted. Applications are being accepted now through Friday, December 8th, 2023.

KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE!

In an effort to remain as healthy and as safe as we possibly can during these uncertain times, we are incorporating a few minor changes in our day-to-day operations. If you need to come and sign your student in or out of school during the day, there is a table in the entrance way with a QR code posted. Use your phone to scan the code and follow the screen to sign your child in/out of school. If needed, press the doorbell and we will be able to speak with you through the intercom system. The door will be opened for the student to enter or leave, and family members should stay in the entrance way. If you need to drop off lunches, water bottles, gloves, etc., please leave them on the table in the entrance. We appreciate your patience and cooperation in these efforts to stay safe!

STAR COUNCIL: DINE AND DONATE UPDATE

Just a quick update on the Buffalo Wild Wings event... We received a check for \$263.82 from Patton Wings, Inc. Our Texas Roadhouse night will be Monday, Dec. 11th. Thank you to all who showed up to support these events!!!

CELL PHONES / ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

The district recognizes that cell phones have become a part of daily life. Many students have them, however, we would discourage students from bringing them to school. **In the event that students are instructed by parents to bring them, they must be turned off and stored in lockers during the day.** The district assumes no responsibility for theft, loss, damage or vandalism to wireless communication device brought onto district property.

If students need to contact their parents for any reason, they are to **USE THE PHONE IN THE CLASSROOM** with the teacher’s permission, or **USE THE PHONE IN THE OFFICE**. They are not to use their cellphones during school hours.

Naldrett Elementary would like to give a big thank you to the students who participated and completed the World Kindness Day Challenge! We are making the world a better place, one act of kindness at a time!

Kindergarten

Davis

Colton Accivatti
Lillian Allport
Sultan Balogun
Ellie Behrens
Kayleigh Burmistrz
Emmalyn Chandler
Hayden Cratsenburg
Barney Hall
Elliana Halvorsen
Camden Harris
Dexter Haskins-Belz
Victoria Hughey
Kyleigh Menzies
Levi Morisette
Harmony Ogden
Marilyn Pineda
Madeline Siefert
Emma Stewart
Mila Vargo
Evan Ventline
Gavin Walczowski

Latosz

Iyla Ahern
Olivia Allen
Landon Bindschatel
Braxton Bush
Carson Cordova
Morgan Janes
Juliana Klement
Paisley LaHaye
Addison Pallone
Weston Parks
Laeleigh Rushlow
Elena Salame
Mikela Soriano
Winter Sreffans
Emily Stubbings
Makhia Tavoularis
Lincoln Werr
Aria Zarzycki

First Grade

Green

Jaxon Bean
Skylee Bielat
Lorenzo DiMambo
Keenan Fiegel
Brooke Haskins
Leo Jerome
Sophia Johnson
Raelynn Parks
Leo Piatek
Corbin Worboys

Hansen

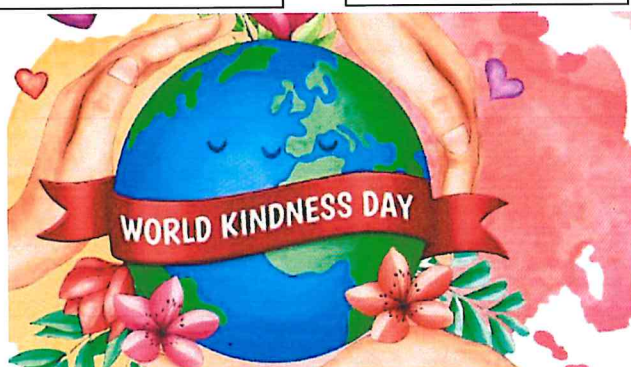
Savannah Berryhill
Isabella Choranziak
David Cretu
Valerie Matti
Lucas Scott
Lucas Wrobel

Smith

Mason Currier
Alaska Culler
Ryder Cunningham
Maddie Dietrich
Ethan Hanna
Cora Krauseneck

Smith cont.

Mila Palin
Liv Rodgers
Chris Saunders
Ryan Sankuer
Gavin Stasyk



Second Grade

Figlan

Alivia Boden
Jaxon Harris
Lucas Kerr
Brady Klein
Tabitha May
Caiden Nickels
Emmalie Pate
Jesus Pineda
James Pitrowski
George Piper
Amelia Wolschon

Flint

Jackson Accivatti
Bruce Bommarito
Elliott
Elsey
Collin Haard
Hailey Stewart
Anthony Ventline
Lillian Yonkus

Tack

Hadley Huskey
Jace Kaminski
Zepplin Smith
Chris Webster
George Wezner



Haymond

Michaela Eschenburg
Frankie Farah
Katherine Feigel
Bella Stewart
Lillyann Stringer

3rd Grade

Jarzombek

Alora Clark
Kalea Diaz
Arabella LaValley
Vinny Turczyn

Lawrence

Miles Allen
Andeanna Bean
Silvio Bilof
Charlee-Rose Caparo
Alexandra Cretu
Chloe Felder
Lauryn Gillison
Aubrey Gruner
Wayne Hall
Benjamin Hubbert
Joseph Linke
Evelette Luna
Makayla Lusk
Kelton Plante
James Smit
Logan Staysyk
Olivia Stepanian
Landon Stryjewski
William VanHamlin
Julian Wilson

4th Grade

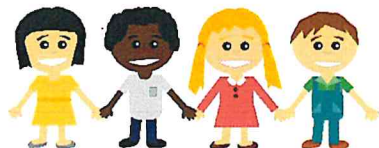
Bates

Zoey Criner
Aiden Gruber
Kamilla Locke
Brady Palin
Lilliana Rushlow
Matthew Schroeder
Chase Vornold

5th Grade

Moore

Jerome Brown
Mackenzie Wrobel



Positivity Project Updates:

Teachers continue to have daily lessons at the start of each day that covers a character trait....
ask your child what trait are they
learning about in school this week?

#otherpeoplematter #buildpositiverelationships #kindwords #safehands #goldenrule
#treatothersthewayyouwanttobetreated

Character Strengths Overview

Character strengths — as classified by positive psychology — are a family of positive traits expressed through a person's thoughts, feelings, and behaviors that are universally recognized for the strength that they create in individuals and communities.

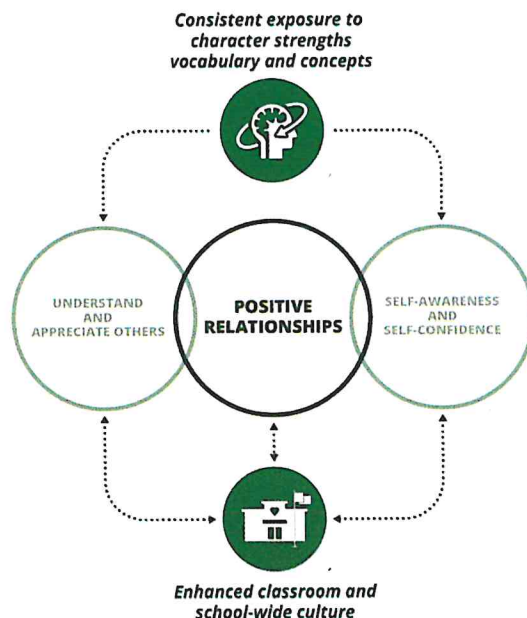
Making children aware that every one of them has all 24 [character strengths](#), provides the foundation for genuine self-confidence grounded in self-awareness. At the same time, it helps children better understand why everyone is different and how to appreciate those differences.

Unlike our height, weight, or skin color, character strengths aren't something that can't be seen with the naked eye. Therefore, understanding and valuing them — [especially in other people](#) — requires a framework of consistent reflection and discussion.

By consistently teaching our youth about the character strengths that everyone possesses, they will see people based on the content of their character. This ability will enhance their self-awareness and self-confidence, understanding and appreciation of others, and [interpersonal relationships](#) — which will positively influence our youth (individually and collectively) across their lifespans.

Ranging from bravery and creativity to integrity and gratitude, [positive psychology's 24 character strengths](#) are the foundation of The Positivity Project's model.

OUR MODEL



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December

GREEN TEAM NEWS

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Green Team is collecting EGG CARTONS for a project. Please send egg cartons to Mrs. Brandal. Thank you.

Green Team members are welcome to attend all in-person meetings. You can always find our schedule on mrsbrandal.com and here it is in case you forgot:

December 12 January 9
February 13 March 12 April 9 May 14

DECEMBER GREEN TEAM MONTHLY CHALLENGE

REDUCE FOOD WASTE

[Kids Go Green: Reducing Food Waste Background VIDEO LINK](#)

Use All the Food You Buy

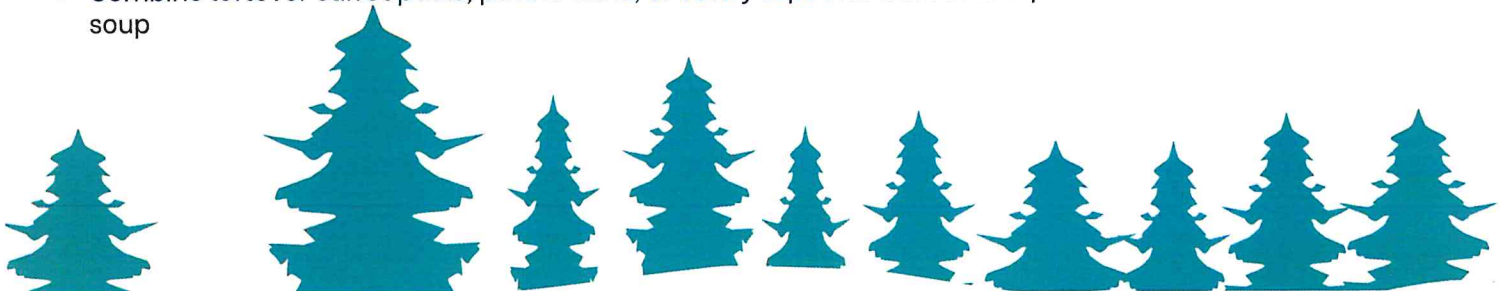
20-30% of food purchase is thrown away. This is called food waste. It not only wastes the food but all the resources that went into producing the food including water, land, and human work.

Try to use all the food you buy. Donate and share what you will not be able to eat.

Leftover Ideas

Send in your favorite recipe using leftovers and it will be included in next month's Green Team News. Send to Mrs. Brandal wbrandal@abs.misd.net.

- Bake leftover bread crusts to make croutons that are perfect for soups, salads, or crumbs on top of a casserole
- Use apple peels and core, strawberry tops, and apricot peels to make a jam. It only takes a few ingredients and will give a natural fruity taste
- Combine leftover carrot peels, potato skins, or celery tops into a broth or liquid to make flavored stock or soup



UPCOMING DATES - 2023-2024



- Friday, Dec. 1 - 4th Grade Field Trip - Michigan Science Center
- Mon-Fri, Dec. 4-8 - Book Fair Week! Watch for more info!
- Mon-Fri, Dec. 4-8 - Goodfellows Hat/Mitten/New Toy Drive and Spirit Week!
 - Mon, Dec. 4: Santa Red / Grinch Green Day
 - Tues, Dec. 5: Christmas Hat Day
 - Wed, Dec. 6: Crazy Christmas Sock Day
 - Thurs, Dec. 7: Ugly Sweater or Christmas Shirt Day
 - Fri, Dec. 8: Red/White Candy Cane / Anchor Bay Day
- Tuesday, Dec. 5 - Cookies with Santa - See more info in newsletter.
 - 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM: Grades K - 2nd
 - 6:15 PM - 7 PM: Grades 3-5
- Monday, Dec. 11 - Dine & Donate - Texas Roadhouse
- Tuesday, Dec. 12 - 5th Grade Music Program - 6 PM
- Mon-Th, Dec. 11-15 - Santa Shop Week - Watch for more info!
- Friday, Dec. 15 - Author Johnathan Rand Visit, 10-11 AM
- Friday, Dec. 15 - Progress Reports Go Home
- Friday, Dec. 22 - Last Day of School before Christmas Break (FULL DAY)
- Dec. 23rd - Jan. 2nd - Christmas Break for Anchor Bay
- Wednesday, Jan. 3rd - School Resumes
- Monday, Jan. 15th - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
- Wednesday, Jan. 24th - Star Council Meeting - 5 PM in Library
- Thursday, Jan. 25th - HALF DAY - 12:26 PM Dismissal. (Records Day)
- Friday, Jan. 26th - End of 2nd Marking Period.
- Friday, Jan. 26th - HALF DAY - 12:26 PM Dismissal.
- Friday, Feb. 2nd - Report Cards Go Home

A Merry Christmas to All.....and a Happy New Year, too!!!