



**NEW HORIZONS COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL**  
**HALF DAY PRE KINDERGARTEN JANUARY**  
**MONTHLY CALENDAR**



**FINE MOTOR:** During the month of January your child will be working on their fine motor skills by lacing, painting on an easel, buttoning, zipping, snapping and tying their shoes. The Writing Center will be a focus for this month, encouraging writing of first and last names.

**LANGUAGE:** Our Language curriculum will include the introduction of upper and lower case letters. We will continue to encourage the use of expanded vocabulary. The concept of print will be reviewed as well as working on story recall.






**MATHEMATICS:** In Math we will be reviewing ordinal numbers and environmental numbers—dates, money and time. Graphing will continue this month as well as making sets of 6,7,8,9,10. As part of our Math experience we will be combining, separating and problem solving using math objects. The students have been counting all year and we will be celebrating 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL on January 23rd.

**SOCIAL/SCIENCE:** In our Social Studies we will be learning about hibernation and why animals hibernate. The students will be discussing different types of attire that we wear during the different Seasons. We will also be learning about ice and snow. Ground Hog day is a perfect day to learn about shadows and how to make them. All the classes will be talking about community helpers and what they do to help us stay safe and help us with our daily lives.



## HALF DAY VPK JANUARY 2018



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Review of rules and knowledge we have learned.  	1 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	2 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	3 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	4 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	5 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Review of rules and knowledge we have learned.  Intro to Upper and Lower Case Letters.	8 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	9  gymnastics	10	11	12
<b>Winter Animals</b> <b>Hibernation-Bears</b> 	15 School Closed MLK day	16  gymnastics	17	18 Pizza Day & Skating Wear your green shirt 	19  Teddy Bear Picnic— Bring your favorite small bear to school
<b>Ice &amp; Snow</b> <b>Letter I</b> 	22	23  gymnastics	24	25	26
<b>Letter C: Community Helper—</b> <b>Money</b> 	29	30  gymnastics	31	2/1	2/2 



## TAX SEASON

New Horizons  
Federal Tax I.D. # is  
59-3327147

*Please contact the office for a year end statement.*

*Statements will be done on a request only basis.*

## NEW HORIZONS' TOY DRIVE



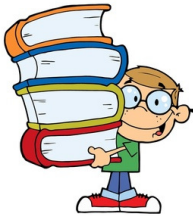
Many thanks to all our parents and staff who contributed to our annual toy drive.

This act of kindness really helps your child enjoy the true spirit of the season.



## KINDERGARTEN AND ELEMENTARY ORIENTATION

Now is the time for parents to take the opportunity to learn about New Horizons' Kindergarten and Elementary Program for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in our Kindergarten program please contact the office at 785-8591 to set up an appointment with Kim Trocin to discuss your child's educational goals.



### Make Reading a Habit at Home:

Research shows that children who read books for just 20 minutes a day perform better in school. Here are some great ways to get your child reading!

1. **Set aside a reading time.** Pick a reading time that is good for everyone. It might be before bedtime or even after homework.
2. **Pick a reading place.** It is important that everyone is comfortable so they can enjoy the book. Try reading in the living room, or maybe the dinner table works best.
3. **Read together.** One person can read the book, or people can take turns.
4. **Involve and engage listeners.** Before you read, point to the book's title, author, and illustrator. Ask listeners, "What do they think the story is going to be about?" As you read, you can ask your family members what they think will happen next. And be sure to engage listeners with exciting voices!
5. **Fill your home with reading materials.** Place books, magazines, newspapers, cookbooks and more throughout the house so your child is surrounded by things to read.
6. **Get caught reading yourself.** When your child sees you read, she will be inspired to read.
7. **Older siblings read to younger siblings.** By reading to a younger sibling, the reader will gain confidence.
8. **Start seasonal traditions.** Pick a book to read every year when your child goes back to school. You can also read the same special book during a holiday.
9. **Keep favorite books around.** It can be comforting for a new reader to build confidence and fluency by practicing when re-reading a favorite book.