

## THANK YOU TO OUR 2015-16 MEMBERS!

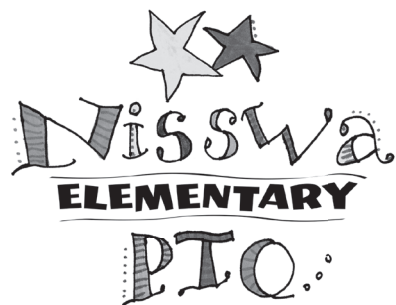
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It's not too late to join this amazing group of members! You can still fill out your bright blue membership form and send back to school with your student. They were sent home in the back-to-school folders. Misplaced your copy? Download it on our website at [www.nisswapto.com/getinvolved](http://www.nisswapto.com/getinvolved)

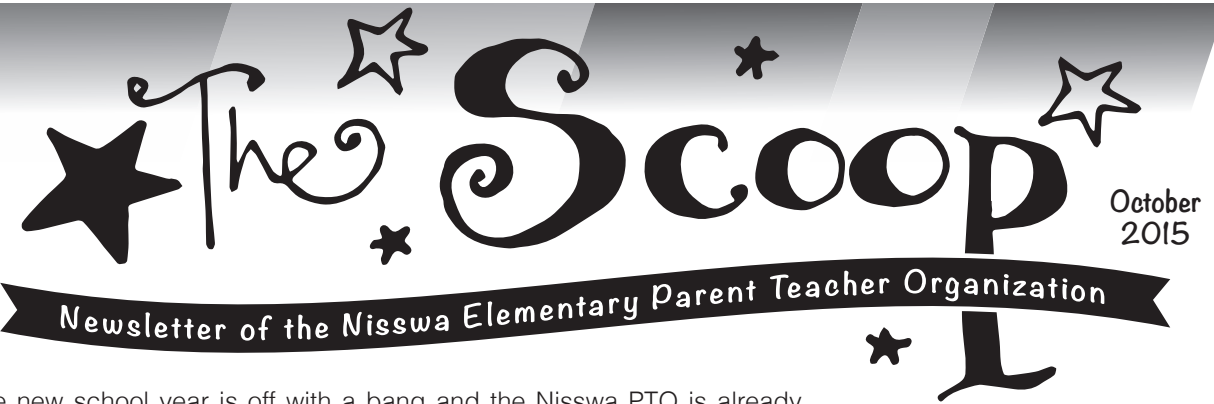


### 2015-2016 PTO Board

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### Upcoming Events

#### Popcorn Friday

October 23  
November 20  
December 18

#### Parent Teacher Conferences

October 8, 3-7 pm  
October 13, 3-7 pm

#### Early Out Days

October 14  
November 6

#### Fall Family Fun Night

October 29, 5:30-7:30 pm

#### No School

October 15-16 (MEA Break)  
November 30

#### Fall Family Fun Night

October 29, 5:30-7:30 pm

#### Veteran's Day Program

November 11, 2 pm

#### Nisswa PTO Meeting

November 3, 4:30 pm  
December 1, 4:30 pm

#### Save-the-Date - Bloom Event

April 2, 2015 - Grand View



The new school year is off with a bang and the Nisswa PTO is already busy at work making plans for this sure-to-be-great year! For those of you who are new to Nisswa, we'd like to introduce ourselves! The Nisswa Elementary Parent Teacher Organization is an active group of parent leaders and Nisswa staff. We are dedicated to making Nisswa Elementary a fun and exciting learning environment, supporting events that bring families together and coordinating academic-enhancing opportunities for our young learners.

We'd like to take a moment to say THANK YOU to all of the parents and teachers that pledged to donate their time and money to the PTO in the 2015-2016 school year (see a full list on back)! We look forward to seeing returning faces and meeting new ones at our meetings and events throughout the year!

To learn more about the Nisswa PTO, order spirit wear or make a donation, please visit us online at [www.nisswapto.com](http://www.nisswapto.com) and find us on Facebook!



### Fall Family Fun Night SCIENCE SPECTACULAR

**Thursday, October 29th from 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

We are so excited for our Fall Family Fun Night at Nisswa Elementary! The entire family is invited to come in costume where we will have stations of fun science activities and experiments underway. Enjoy the Halloween season with a fun-filled night at school! Volunteers for Fall Family Fun Night are also needed - see the **Volunteer Corner** on page 3 for details.

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## Courtyard Transformation PROJECT

Next to our grand library sits a vacant area of lawn, unruly bushes and a sad tree. There is a door on the south side of the library that opens up to this courtyard, yet there is nothing to draw students out into this barren space. The Nisswa PTO has a vision to transform this courtyard into an outdoor learning and reflection area. A project like this, of course, takes funding and support from the community. We will soon be launching our "Buy A Brick" campaign to help fund this large project. The "Buy A Brick" campaign will give individuals, families, and businesses the opportunity to purchase a personalized engraved brick that will pave the walkway through this beautiful space.

We will be sending out detailed information soon, so please look for that and help us make our school as beautiful on the outside as it is on the inside. Thank you!



# SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!

**OCTOBER 27-30 • NISSWA ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY ROOM**

Our PTO Board and parent volunteers work with Scholastic Book Fair representatives to organize this week long event at Nisswa, where children can peruse and purchase their favorite books. From its nationwide network of more than 60 warehouses and customer service facilities, Scholastic delivers its fairs to schools, with the majority of books arranged in mobile, easy-to-access cases.

Volunteers are needed for this event! Please see the **Volunteer Corner** on page 3 for dates and hours of operation when support is needed. Thank you for helping!

## HOUSEHOLD ELECTRONIC RECYCLING DAY

**October 24 • 10am to 2pm**



**PROCEEDS BENEFITING THE NISSWA PTO**

Anything with a cord  
Electronics will be \$.50/lb  
TV's \$10/ea

Light Bulbs - small fee  
Free Paint Recycling  
Free Holiday light Recycling

25673 Main Street | Nisswa, MN 56468

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## Rafferty's Pizza Challenge

During the week of Monday, October 19 - Sunday, October 25, order anything from Rafferty's Pizza in Nisswa or Crosslake and 20% of the purchase will be donated to our school for use towards educational programs or needs. Watch for a special flier to come home with your child. The flier can be copied and distributed to family and friends. Be sure to write in your child's name and classroom because the classroom that generates the largest donation wins a FREE PIZZA PARTY! Thank you, Rafferty's, for your support of Nisswa School!

**SAVE  
THE DATE**  
*THE Bloom*  
EVENT  
**APRIL  
2  
2016**



## NISSWA LAKERS Spirit Wear

Nisswa Elementary Spirit Wear is available for purchase! Check out this year's new design and fun styles! There is something for everyone in the family. An order form was sent home a week ago in your child's folder. Simply send a check and completed order form back to school with your student. **Our first order will be sent in October 15th, so don't wait!** Orders will be sent in approximately once a month and will be sent home with your child when complete.

A portion of the proceeds benefit the Nisswa PTO so we thank you for your purchase!

# Smile! ★☆☆

## School Picture Day

Student pictures will be taken on **Tuesday, October 27th** for all grades.

## Halloween Parade

Nisswa Elementary School students will be participating in the annual Halloween Parade around town on Friday, October 30th. Kids can be in costume and parents are welcome to attend! The parade will begin at the school at 1:00 pm.



## The Volunteer Corner

Experience the fun of volunteering at a PTO event! See below for upcoming opportunities and email [volunteer4nisswaschool@gmail.com](mailto:volunteer4nisswaschool@gmail.com) to get involved!

### Popcorn Fridays

October 23, 11-1 pm  
November 21, 11-1 pm  
December 19, 11-1 pm

### Teacher Conferences

Provide food for Teacher Conferences - October 8

### Fall Family Fun Night

October 29, 5:30-7:30 pm

### Scholastic Book Fair

October 23, 3-4pm (set-up)  
October 27, 11-1 pm; 2:30-3:30 pm  
October 28, 11-1 pm; 2:30-3:30 pm  
October 29, 11-1 pm; 2:30-3:30 pm; 5:30-7:30 pm  
October 30, 11-1 pm; 2:30-3:30 pm

# THANK YOU!