

The **BEE** **MAIL**

**NAOMI L. BROOKS
ELEMENTARY PTA[®]**

November 30, 2021

Winter Wishes 2021



Each year, we have the opportunity to help our fellow Brooks families with gifts and groceries during the holiday season. We know that there are families at Brooks who don't have the resources to provide a holiday meal and gifts for their children.

This year because of the growing need in our community, Ms. Lusk is hoping that we can help at least 15 families.

[Please visit our sign-up here](#)

Deadline: 12/10/21

Thanks so much for considering.

If you have questions, please let us know.

Best,

Kathryn Howell Dalton (kathrynhd@gmail.com) and Cindy Zmijewski Demers (cmzd17@gmail.com)

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Naomi L. Brooks link: <https://arttoremember.com/school/3hwqf5>

You can upload candid photos to order from and they are great for holiday ornaments!

Book Drive on December 5



Former Maury/Brooks students (now in high school) are hosting a gently used book drop-off at **23 West Myrtle** on December 5th from 3:00 to 5:00. Children can bring their books to the front porch and receive a candy cane as a thank you. The books will be donated to InspireLit who will distribute them to Alexandria kids for the holidays. If you can't make it that day, books can be dropped off any time before December 10th on the front porch of 23 West Myrtle.

Kindergarten & First Grade Holiday Sing-A-Long: December 11



Please join us for our annual holiday caroling event for Kindergarten and 1st grade on Saturday, December 11.

We will have a separate performance for each grade.

Saturday, December 11

Kindergarten Performance:

10:30 AM on East Oxford Avenue next to Stomping Ground
2309 Mt Vernon Ave, Alexandria, VA 22301

1st Grade Performance:

12:30 PM behind The Salvation Army in the parking lot-singing for the Vintage Flea Market

1804 Mt Vernon Ave, Alexandria, VA 22301

Please note that this event is optional, but we would love to see you there! Students are asked to wear a mask and plenty of layers as it may be cold!

Please feel free to reach out with any questions!

Regards,
Ms. Sheikh (Vocal Music Teacher)
Laura.Sheikh@acps.k12.va.us

Join the Brooks Festival Planning Team!

Our Biggest Fundraiser Re-Imagined - a family-friendly community-wide festival!

We will be planning a fun-filled family festival for next spring complete with booths, activities, music, performances, a silent auction, food, drinks, and more, and need your help.

We are looking for folks that can help us pivot from a gala format from previous years to this updated event.

Things we need help with:

- A catchy name for our festival
- Booth coordination
- Food and Drink Ideas
- Music
- Thinking up and securing silent auction items
- Organizing an optional adults-only event at night
- And more!

Please reach out to our fabulous co-chairs Carly Kayser (kayserfamily14@gmail.com) or Bridget Shea Westfall (bridget.shea.westfall@gmail.com) you are interested in helping!



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Brooks Spirit Wear, now with the official Naomi L. Brooks Elementary logo is [on sale at SquadLocker](#).

10% Of Your Purchase Supports the PTA!

Upcoming Dates

- **December 10: Last Day of Winter Wishes 2021**
- **December 11: K & 1st Grade Holiday Sing-A-Long**
- **December 16: Brooks Dine-Out at Joe Theismann's**
- **December 20-31: NO SCHOOL**

Frequently Requested Links

STAY CONNECTED

- Make sure you've [subscribed](#) to Ms. Hess' weekly emails and ACPS updates.
- Get PTA updates: Just text the message "@nlbrooks" to the number 81010 to sign up for this service provided by the PTA. Email brooks-bees+subscribe@googlegroups.com to receive emails. Like our [Facebook](#) page and follow [Brooks PTA on Twitter](#).
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