December 2018

Dec. 6 -- Open House for next year’s kindergarten families 5:00-7:00pm @ TVHS
Dec. 7 -- Kids Hope Party 6:00pm
Dec. 14 -- Spirit Day – Pajama Day
Dec. 15 -- Annual Holiday Event on the Corner 4:30-7:00pm
Dec. 20 -- Awards Assembly 2:35 pm
Dec. 21 -- Holiday Craft Make and Take 3:20pm in SMES gym. $3.
Dec. 24 -- Jan. 4 Winter Break

January 2019

Jan. 4 -- No School for Students. Staff work day.
Jan. 7 -- School resumes.
Jan. 18 -- Spirit Day – Hat Day!
Jan. 29 -- 4th grade Music Field Trip to TVHS. 1:00pm.

PreK - 12 Colorado Teachers!
Apply for a Teachers and Technology Grant for the 2018-19 school year for your school
Sarah Milner Elementary School
Grants range from $500 to $5000 and are available to full-time classroom teachers in public or private school. The CenturyLink Clarke M. Williams Foundation’s Teachers and Technology grants are designed to help fund projects that advance student success through the innovative use of technology in the classroom.

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Holiday Craft Make and Take
Friday, December 21st
3:20-5:30pm in the gym
$3 per student for everything.
Parents need to accompany their students.

Giving Tree
Thank you for your generosity!
If you took a stocking off the Giving Tree, please return the gift to school the week of December 10th. Gifts should be wrapped with the stocking tag attached. Thank you!

Friday Spirit Days have begun!
Show your school spirit by dressing up:
Dec 14: Pajama Day
Jan 18: Hat Day
Feb 8: 100 Years Old Day
Mar 15: Mismatched Day
Apr 19: Crazy Hair Day
May 17: Books and Blankets Day
Annual Holiday Event on the Corner
SMES Choir Club performing!
Day: Saturday
Date: December 15
Time: 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm
Location: LifeSpring Church

Come to this completely FREE event for the neighborhood including horse-drawn wagon rides, bonfires, cookie decorating, music (including SMES Choir Club and Boys and Girls Club), family photos, burritos, and much more.
We have a HUGE amount of Lost & Found items. Please come find your child’s lost jackets, lunch boxes, hats, and more!

Parent Book Camp: Parenting in a Digital World

December 12, 6-7pm at Garfield Elementary.

Come learn about resources and solutions to guide your digitally-connected youth in better decision making, and walk away with strategies to encourage the use of digital and social media in a positive way.

Kindergarten Open House

Thompson School District’s Kindergarten Open House is December 6, 5:00-7:00pm in the Thompson Valley High School cafeteria. Families with students starting kindergarten next year are invited to attend.

If you have any questions about kindergarten for next year, please don’t hesitate to call the school office at 613-6700.

ATTENDANCE: Please call 613-6790

If your child is going to be absent from school, please call the attendance line at 970-613-6790. You will receive an automated phone call at 8:40am if your child was marked absent.

If your child will be coming in late, please include in your message if they’d like us to order them the main school lunch. Thank you.
If the temperature is above 15 degrees, we will be OUTSIDE. Please dress appropriately.

Traffic Safety Reminder

Dear Parents,

The safety of our students and families are a top priority. The traffic and pedestrian flow around Sarah Milner during student drop off and pick up has reached the point where the police department is going to step up patrols and will be enforcing traffic laws. For the safety of students, we are asking you to:

- Obey traffic rules
- Be attentive when driving in school zones Speed Limit is 20MPH
- Observe and follow no parking signs
- Turn off your cell phone in school zones
- Encourage your student to cross the street in designated crosswalks or use a drop off that doesn't require crossing the street
- Be a good role model for your student and others

According to law enforcement, the most common traffic violations occurring around Sarah Milner include speeding in a school zone, impeding traffic, parking further than 12" from the curb and parking in reserved parking areas. The fine for a parking violation is $25; the fine for impeding traffic is $75 plus a $10 surcharge and SPEEDING in a school zone can carry heavy penalties - the fine TRIPLES in a school zone + 3-point violation on your driver's license.

As the weather changes, roads can become even more dangerous. Please slow down and be aware of students walking and biking. We appreciate your cooperation and your help in creating and maintaining a safe environment for our students, staff and families!
What you can find at:
www.thompsonschools.org

⇒ Link to Sarah Milner website
⇒ School district calendar
⇒ School supply lists
⇒ Register to be a volunteer
⇒ Link to Parent Portal
⇒ Update family information
⇒ View report cards
⇒ Lunch menus
⇒ Apply for free/reduced lunch
⇒ Pay student fees/lunch account
⇒ Health forms

Sarah Milner has a Facebook page!
Like us to view grade level monthly newsletters, peek into the classroom learning environment, get updates on school and community events.

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