Turner Times

Things to note from the Principal’s Office

We are into second semester and this time of year can get extremely busy. This is the time of year when we start transitions toward next year for both 5th and 8th grade students. Our 8th graders have been working on scheduling classes for their freshman year and attended a transition night at Berthoud High School; while our incoming 6th graders will join us for a day to explore electives on February 2, and later parents will join us on the evening of February 13, to have an opportunity to gather middle school information and ask questions.

Students have been engaged in lots of learning opportunities as well as starting to gear up for grade level projects and events that will take place in the spring.

We want to thank the Rotary Club for assisting with our 8th graders in the process for understanding decision making. Volunteers came in to speak with the 8th graders about the process of decision making using the 4 Way Test. Students gave scenarios, were able to talk through them in small groups, and came to a conclusion that was put to the 4 Way Test. All participating students were give a 4 Way Test Coin to remind them to make good decisions. We appreciate the volunteers for their time, and offering our students another strategy to use in their everyday life.

Teachers, staff, and the administration would like to send a Shout Out to our Turner Parent Volunteer Group who organized a run to Da Bean and got each of us a coffee/tea of our choice. We all thoroughly enjoyed this treat before the Holiday Break- thank you!!

We appreciate all of the continued parent support and we value our work together to create a strong positive culture for all of our students.

Respectfully,
Brandy Grieves,
Principal

With second semester just around the corner, why not start the New Year off with fresh school supplies. Many students are in need of pens, pencils and glue sticks. Our teachers will appreciate it!

8th grade Student Zoë Schoo, holds her 1st Place trophy from the Thompson School District Spelling Bee.
TMS Student Wins District Spelling Bee

Congratulations to TMS 8th grade student, Zoë Schoo for winning the Thompsons School District Spelling bee that was held this past weekend. Zoe has made the finals the last three years, and she studied year-round to achieve this goal.

Zoë and 7th grader Haley Hanks, who finished 5th, are headed to the State Spelling Bee in Denver. After the written test, Turner had six students qualify for the oral round: Zoë, Haley, Abby Wiggins, Annie Wiggins, Patricia Huneycutt, and Kendra Maitland.

A huge traveling trophy, will be delivered to the school and is ours for the year. We’re thrilled to bring it to Berthoud, since it’s been at Loveland schools for the past 20 years!

Geo Detectives Club

Starts on Tuesday, February 7th. 3:00-4:00 pm

Geo Detectives will help promote interest in science and stimulate curiosity in geology. The club is a great way to develop scientific inquiry skills and critical thinking through many hands-on activities.

Students will:

- Observe and identify fossils.
- Grow crystals and identify different geometrical shapes of crystal.
- Use art skills to create models of trilobites and dinosaurs.
- Identify the different types of rocks and analyze the rock cycle.
- Classify minerals and investigate how they are a part of everyday lives.
- Study the geological processes that shape our Earth.
- Identify rocks or minerals collected by students.

Our TMS STUCO and Bob Turner Classic have been fundraising for a new dragon costume for the past few years. Their hard work has paid off as we are now in the process of making this happen.

Students have been submitting their design ideas and we finalizing the details. We hope to have our new costume before the end of the year.

Spring Parent/Teacher Conferences are coming up in March and we will be offering scheduled conferences for parents. Currently, we are in the planning/testing stage and will have everything finalized soon.

As we get closer, we will be sending out communication on how you can schedule a conference.
Dear Families:

The Thompson School District Annual Family Update link for the 2018-2019 school year is now available on the Parent Portal. This yearly update is required for every student enrolled in Thompson School District for the 2018-2019 school year. Parents/guardians in the student’s primary household need to complete the application by reviewing and updating household, emergency contact, student health information and permissions via the link. This information is used in the day-to-day operations of your child’s school and it is imperative that it’s accurate.

Accessing the Annual Family Update Link:

1) Log in to your Parent Portal account at the website address listed below. (If you are not able to access your Portal account, please send an e-mail to portal@thompsonschools.org to request username and/or password. Please include your name and your student’s name in the email. Note: The Annual Family Update Link is not available on the Mobile Portal App.)

https://campus.thompsonschools.org/campus/portal/thompson.jsp

2) Click on the "Annual Family Update" link located on the bottom left side of the Portal Home page.

3) Click on "Begin Registration."

Thank you,
Thompson School District

The following students have been chosen by staff members as individuals who consistently demonstrate the characteristics of being a TMS PRO – Prepared, Respectful, and Ownership. Their hard work and dedication to their education is to be commended.

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Tune in next month for the February TMS Students of the Month!

The yearbook staff is excited about the 2018 yearbook and has been working hard to include all of the great stories and students of Turner Middle School.

We will soon be finalizing the number of books that we will be ordering, but there is still time to order your yearbook if you have not done so already. From January 29th – February 9th the yearbook will be on sale for $40. You can place your order online at jostensyearbooks.com or with Mrs. Caruso. Don’t miss out on your last chance to guarantee a 2018 yearbook for your child.

If you have already purchased a book, thank you! This year’s book is one you won’t want to miss!
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