

## Principal's Corner

Dear Families,

It is so hard to believe that November is coming to an end and when we come back from break there are only 3 weeks until Christmas! The school year is flying by and we still have so much to learn and do!

A HUGE Thank You to all of you who donated to our collection for the Humane Society! So many treats and pet supplies will be used to help take care of the many cats and dogs who are awaiting their fur-ever home! 🐾

Please also remember that we still go outside to play as long as the weather cooperates and it's not below freezing - please make sure your child wears a coat to school for those chillier days ahead! December is a month packed with activities at school. Please refer to the calendar so that you will not miss out on any of the holiday fun. Have a safe and happy holiday!

Mrs. Ostrosky

## West News

There will be no PTA Meeting in December. Our next meeting will be January 10<sup>th</sup>, time TBA.

There will also be no January Newsletter. However, we will send out a flyer with the Team Builders of the month.

January we will spotlight  
2<sup>nd</sup> grade!



## Shining a Light on Autism

**The festive season can be a minefield of social expectations for people with autism, being allowed some time out might be the greatest gift of all.**

*Trinity West Gazette* is produced by the Trinity West PTA, to share information and highlight school activities. We do our best to make sure all dates, times, and information are up to date and correct.

We make every effort to include all students throughout the school year. **If for any reason, you DO NOT want your child included in future editions**, please send a note to the school office ASAP and/or email us at: [twsgazette@gmail.com](mailto:twsgazette@gmail.com)

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## PTA News



## Christmas Magic!

### SANTA SHOP

The Santa Shop will give your child the opportunity to shop for friends and family in the secure atmosphere of our school. Gift items start at less than \$1.00, with most items in the \$1.00 to \$5.00 range.



Don't forget about our on-line  
Sarris Fundraising!!

[Sarriscandiesfundraising.com](http://Sarriscandiesfundraising.com)

It runs until Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>

Group ID- 17-0999

## Picture Make-Up Date

Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> is the day for Picture Day make-up and retakes. Send all printed photos back to school with your child, to return to the photographer.

For more information: [mylifetouch.com](http://mylifetouch.com)

## VETERANS' DAY

This year, Trinity West Students honored our Veteran's by purchasing a flag in honor of a family member or friend. We were able to donate \$250 to the American Legion Unit 175. Thank You!



**Upcoming Dates:**

**Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>**- 2 Hr. Early Release

**Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup>**- Fall Break

**Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>**- Make-up Picture Day

**Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>**- Holiday Fundraiser pick-up- 4pm-5:30pm- North Franklin Firehall

**Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>- 10<sup>th</sup>**- Santa Shop

**Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>**- Giving Tree donations due.

**Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>**- Kindergarten Polar Express

**Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>**- Holiday Party 2pm

**Dec. 23-Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>**- No School/Winter Break

**Giving Tree**



Each grade will collect themed donations for children and families at the Women's Shelter.

We gladly accept all necessities, ornaments, & anything else that brings joy to families in need.

Pre-K/K	Boys/Girls toys: action figures/crafting items
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Hats & Gloves- Adult Men's and Women's
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Food storage containers
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Boys/Girls toys: Pop its/ Kid's toys
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Kitchen Utensils & Oven Mitts/Potholders
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Wash Cloths & Kitchen Towels

Donations due by December 10th

## Nurse's Nook

### Stomach Bug Season



The stomach flu, or viral gastroenteritis, is when your stomach and intestines become inflamed and irritated. The stomach flu usually develops after coming into contact with an infected person. Symptoms can include diarrhea, vomiting, stomach pains, mild headache, and muscle aches. These symptoms can last for 3 to 7 days and sometimes up to 10 days. There is no cure for the stomach flu. Fluids, bland foods, and rest can help alleviate the symptoms.

Since the stomach flu is highly contagious, it is important to take extra precautions when flu season comes around. Proper hand washing, disinfecting countertops and surfaces, and staying away from others who are sick will help keep you and your family healthy.

## Counselor's Corner

**Thank  
YOU!**

Thank You to anyone that participated in our School Store online fundraiser. Thanks to you \$3,050 in donated gift cards were given to our teachers. This fundraiser runs all year, so you still have time to donate to your child's classroom!

Email: [twshillerspta@gmail.com](mailto:twshillerspta@gmail.com) with any questions.

Well... we blinked and it's the holidays! I feel like the older I become, the quicker and quicker life seems to fly by! And groups definitely flew right by this semester! Every fall, I will send home permission forms for students to participate in groups. I offer lunch bunches, anger groups, and worry groups. Students in lunch bunches get to know each other, learn about friendships, and play fun games with each other (and eat lunch at the same time!). Kiddos in anger groups have been learning about feelings, what anger feels like in our bodies and minds, and various coping skills. Worry group is similar in that we learn about how worry feels in our bodies and learn different coping skills. Fall/first semester groups will be wrapping up in the next couple of weeks! In total- I had 59 students in groups this semester!

After winter break, groups will open again with the ability for you to sign your student(s) up! Students cannot participate in the same group that they participated in the first semester (if they were a part of a group). Available spaces are on a first-come, first-served basis. Some groups had a waitlist, so those students will automatically join the second semester groups. However, I will have some room in the following groups: Anger group (Gr 1-3), Worry group (Gr 1-3), Boy's lunch bunch (Gr 2-3). And a few spots left for Girl's lunch bunch (K-1 & 2-3).

If you are interested in getting your student signed up for a group, permission forms will be sent out when school resumes in January. Would love to see your kiddos during groups!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Happy Holidays! :)



Have a Safe and Happy  
Holiday!

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

From the PTA!

Thanks,  
**Lynne Gallagher, MEd, LPC**  
**School Counselor**

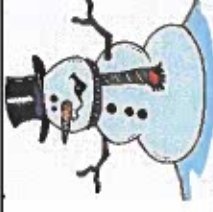
Trinity East and West Elementary Schools  
724-225-8140 x4116(East) M,W afternoons, F  
724-222-4730 x1504(West) T, W mornings, Th







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Have a safe and Happy  
Holiday!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30 Make-up Picture Day	1	2	3	4
5	6 Holiday Fundrasier Pick-up 4-5:30	7	8 	9	10 Giving Tree Donations	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 K- Polar Express	18
19	20	21	22 Holiday Party 2pm	23 In- Service Day NO SCHOOL	24	25 Merry
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Notes

\* Dec. 6th -Holiday Fundrasier Pick up- North Franklin Firehall- 4- 5:30

\* Dec. 6th-10th- Santa Shop

\* Dec. 23- Jan. 3rd- No School

We are a



designated location