

Principal's Corner

West News

Dear Families,

It is so nice to have everyone back in the building to begin the second semester! This month we will be celebrating National School Counseling Week. Thank you to Mrs. Gallagher, our very own Rock Star School Counselor, who provides an invaluable service to our students. You make Trinity West a better place. Students, please be sure to participate in our celebration of School Counseling by participating in our designated theme days.

It is that time of year where we start planning for the following school year. If you have a child who will be 5 before September 1, 2021 or know of someone who does, it is time to register them for kindergarten. This year registration will be done online through our Skyward student management system. Please look for further information coming soon.

I would also like to extend a big "Thank You" to our PTA! Even though they cannot facilitate many of the extra events they usually do, they are still working hard behind the scenes to create special moments here at West for the students. All of your time and efforts are truly appreciated!

-Mrs. Ostrosky

Upcoming Dates:



Feb. 1st- Spring Fundraiser kick-off

Feb. 5th- 100 Days of School

Feb. 8th- PTA meeting @10am via zoom

Feb. 15th- President's Day- NO SCHOOL

Feb. 16th- Forms and Money due for Spring Fundraiser

Feb. 17th- Daffodil Days forms and money due



Shining a Light on Autism

One in 54 adults is on the spectrum, or 2.21% of the adult population.

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**

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National Counseling Week

- Monday- Feb. 1st- Favorite team jersey day
- Tuesday- Feb. 2nd- Dress like a teacher day
- Wednesday- Feb. 3rd- My future is so bright day- wear bright/neon colors.
- Thursday – Feb. 4th- Chasing dreams PJ day
- Friday- Feb. 5th- 100th day of school



the joy of



giving

Due to Covid-19 and working remotely through December, we were not able to do our annual "Giving Trees." That did not stop us from giving, Trinity West donated three boxes of needed necessities to the Women's Shelter Domestic Violence Services of SW PA.

Sending some of our Love to those who need it!

Counselors Corner

This month we are going to focus on kindness! It is February and Valentine's Day is right around the corner, so why not talk about a way to show love: through kindness! Have you ever had someone show you kindness? It felt nice, right? Well, I want to encourage you to do something kind every day throughout the month of February. It will not only make that person feel good, but it will also make you feel good too!

Here are some ideas:

- Tell someone to have a nice day
- Help family with chores
- Talk to a friend if they are feeling sad
- Do the dishes without being asked
- Tell your teacher you appreciate how hard they work (and your parents too!)
- Let your younger brother/sister play with your toys for a little bit

The challenge is on! Spread your kindness around!

Also- National School Counseling Week is February 1-5. If you see Mrs. Gallagher on those days, show her some kindness and love too! :)

If you need to reach Mrs. Gallagher, please contact her at 724-222-4730 ext 1504 or by email at lgallagher@trinityhillers.net



Appreciation

Staff/Teacher appreciation is in May, but we wanted to start a little early this year. I think we can all agree this year has been a challenge for everybody and it has been especially challenging for our outstanding staff at Trinity West.

March, April, and May's Newsletter will feature a section dedicated to Thanking our Trinity West Staff. You can send a special message to any staff member and we will put it in the newsletter.

Email Appreciation to:
twsgazette@gmail.com

- Please keep each message to no more than three sentences.

Thank YOU!

Congratulations!

Sarris Fundrasier Winners:
Ezra Kazvinski, Aidan Bowman, and
Landen Tarr!



AND



Congratulations

Holiday Fundraiser Winners:

1st place- Cole Harshman

2nd place- Ezra Kazvinski

3rd place- Aidan Casciola



Congratulations

Holiday Drawing Winners!

McKenzie Becker- Santa Bag of Toys

Audrey Collins- Santa Bag of Toys

Kate Weaver- \$100.00 Wal-Mart Gift Card

Mattox Senkinc- "All about Boys' basket" and
the \$100.00 Target Gift Card

Cole Harshman- \$50.00 Game Stop Gift Card
and Remote-Control Car, and the Sarris box of
chocolate

Kaiden Deist- Basket of Scholastic Books

Mila Burt- Basket of Scholastic Books

Cassady Ames- "All about Girls" Basket

REVISED TASD COVID-19 SYMPTOM CHECKER

Listed below is the **COVID-19 Symptom Checker** that should be utilized every morning at home by students and staff. It will also be used in each Nurse's Office to determine if a student or staff member needs to go home and contact their doctor.

Group A- 1 or more symptoms	Group B- 2 or more symptoms
Cough Shortness of breath- GO TO HOSPITAL ER Difficulty breathing- GO TO HOSPITAL ER ***New Olfactory Disorder (LOSS OR CHANGE IN SENSE OF SMELL) ***New Taste Disorder (LOSS OR CHANGE IN SENSE OF TASTE)	Fever (≥ 100.4 F oral or equivalent) Chills Rigors (feeling cold w/shivering) Myalgia (muscle pain or ache) Headache Sore throat Nausea or vomiting Diarrhea Fatigue Congestion or runny nose

Students and Staff Members should Stay Home if:

- You have one or more symptoms in Group A **OR**
- You have two or more symptoms in Group B **OR**
- You are taking fever reducing medication. A student/ staff member must wait at least 24 hours after a fever subsides **WITHOUT** medication before returning to school.
- You have not had a known exposure but are symptomatic and awaiting test results- Remain home until a negative test result is received. *Please notify your school principal or nurse.*
- You or a member of your household have been exposed to COVID-19 & have symptoms. Call your doctor for further instructions. *Please notify your school principal or nurse.*
- You or a member of the same household tests positive- Isolate for 10 days if you test positive; *If a member of your household tests positive, you must quarantine for the duration of their 10-day isolation PLUS 14 days quarantine for yourself.* You will be contacted by the PA Dept of Health for contact tracing. *Please notify your school principal or nurse.*

If your student shows one Group A or two Group B symptoms while in school:

- He/She will be placed immediately in the school's medical isolation room, be evaluated by the school nurse, and monitored until pickup.
- At pickup, the nurse will recommend that you contact your student's doctor and continue monitoring for the symptoms listed above. It is best to keep a record of when symptoms start and subside.

**** Please be sure that your student's school has an up-to-date phone number on file and that someone is available to pick up your student if necessary.**

January was Second Grade Month

Spotlighting Team Builders:



Addison Jones

"Addison displays many characteristics just like our Teamology characters. She is kind, caring, compassionate, helpful, AND a problem solver. Just like Harper, Amelia, and Philo. Addie works hard every day whether we are in school or learning from home. She sets goals for herself and strives to achieve them each day." – Mrs. Andrews



Rozlynn Whitlock

"Roz attends the cyber program and has taken all the struggles with a brilliant smile on her face. This school year has been hard, and she is always bringing positive vibes to the online learning program. She is a student who attends every single day AND every single Live Session. She is always willing to help a fellow classmate during our meetings and enjoys building everyone up! She not only completes all her work, but she also helps others when she can. She makes my heart full and brings every day to me as well as the other students and families in the course!" Mrs. Swart



Cole Harshman

"Cole is always eager to learn and participate in class whether in person at school or online through remote learning. He takes his time on all his work and gives 100% effort in all he does. He is also a great friend to classmates, helpful to others, and has a positive attitude. Keep up the great work!" Mrs. Ocharzak

Macyn Senkinc



"Maci is one of the best team-players I know in 2nd grade! She always includes everyone, takes turns, and plays with all the kids. If someone is sitting on the Buddy Bench, Maci will go out of her way to play with that student. She will not let anyone feel left out. I am so lucky to have Maci in our class this year!" Mrs. Calhoun



February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Spring Fundraiser Kick-off Wear your Favorite Team Jersey	2 Dress like a teacher	3 Wear Neon/bright colors and sunglasses	4 School Board Meeting @ South 6pm Wear PJs	5 100 Days of School 4-star Coupons sent Home	6
7 Superbowl!	8 PTA Meeting via Zoom @10am	9 National School Counseling Week	10	11	12 Wear Red for Valentine's Day	13
14	15 NO SCHOOL	16 Forms/Money due for Spring Fundraiser	17 Daffodil Days Money/Form Due	18 School Board Meeting HS @ 6pm	19 Trinity Pride Day Wear Blue	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 Trinity Pride Day Wear Blue	27
28	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13

* February 16th- Spring Fundraiser/ Money forms is due