

## SCHOOL/DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THE TRSB – November 15, 2018

### Atkinson Academy

- Science training for our third, fourth and fifth grade staff is completed and they are excited to bring new strategies and learning knowledge back to their students.
- The entire staff had a great professional development day on Tuesday.
- Everyone is looking forward to the Thanksgiving holidays that are fast approaching.

### Danville Elementary

- Danville School conducted their off-site evacuation drill to the Danville Baptist Church. The drill was done in conjunction with the Danville Police and Fire Departments. They used a drone to observe the drill and provided feedback to the Danville Crisis Team. The Fire Department also used a drone to monitor our last fire drill. The following drills have been practiced thus far: fire, reverse evacuation, off-site evacuation, clear the halls, and shelter in place. The students should be commended for their adherence to safety drill rules. We are proud of our students!
- The Danville Fire Department came to school to speak with students about fire safety. The students were very excited to see the tanker and ambulance up close. Students were able to walk through the ambulance and pretend to be a patient. It was great to hear many families have identified meeting sites in the event of a fire in the home.
- Congratulations to our second grade essay winner! The theme for the American Education Essay Award was "Great School Include All People." Three out of the four District winners are from Danville!

### Pollard School

- As part of our Veterans Day celebration we had a moment of silence on Tuesday and asked teachers to celebrate with appropriate grade levels activities. Our younger grades all read stories to their students. They talked about people they know who were/are in the service, about the 100th year celebration and the time line of Armistice Day and Veterans Day. They also talked about poppy flowers and their significance and why they may see people wearing them.
- Pollard participated in a dental education program. This program was provided to all grades and stressed the importance of oral care and free products were provided to the students.
- Our second grade went to the Stockbridge Theater at Pinkerton to see Jig Saw Jones, The Case of the Class Clown. This play tied into the second grade literacy standards while offering students the chance to see the theatrical arts.
- Dayna Rodriguez worked with the Plaistow Police Department to organize a walking third grade field trip. Prior to the field trip Dayna Rodriguez worked with the students on various activities that focused on observation and deduction. Detectives then came to the school to discuss characteristics of a good detective followed by a walking tour of the Plaistow Police Department led by our own Chief Jones. The trip included walking to the Plaistow Police Station. The students were excited to meet Chief Jones and Captain Morgan to tour the new facility.

- Grade 5 students had the opportunity to work with the Timberlane Honors Science Society. During this time students had the opportunity to work with the scientific method while creating glow in the dark volcanos and making ice cream.
- Our Title I staff hosted a parent night to inform parents about what Title I is. The tutors shared ways to support students with language and math learning. A tour of the Title I room allowed parents to develop a better understanding of the instruction that goes on in Title I.

#### Sandown North

- On November 2nd, the PTA sponsored our Annual Bingo for Books night. This is always a great event! Students go home happy with many books!
- During last week's Monday Morning Meeting, Senator Gannon recognized three fourth grade students for the essays they wrote regarding their grade level visit to the State House and what they had learned. Many 4th graders participated in the activity. The three highlighted essays were written by Quinn Jarvis, from Mrs. Gilman's class, Julia Aubrey from Mrs. Conte's class and Ava Quintiliani from Mrs. Castano's class.
- Our student council has been busy organizing special school wide activities. Currently, they are sponsoring a Thanksgiving food drive for the Sandown Food Pantry. Each classroom is collecting canned goods. Staff is also participating. Our school community is thankful for the support we receive from parents and the greater Sandown Community. Giving back is one of the ways we show our appreciation and "pay it forward."

#### TLC@ Sandown Central

- Current enrollment: Pre-K 91 K 71 Total= 162
- We had a wonderful Halloween parade and dance on the 31st of October. We are grateful for the donation of time from DJ Cliff West who helped students at the dance portion use their body through the "freeze dance" and "YMCA." The video and photos are available on our website. Thank you to our great parent volunteers who offered their time to help.
- On November 9th, Kindergarten students honored Veterans Day by reading books in class and getting to speak to our Veteran and Custodian Mr. Gerry who shared briefly what it was like to represent his country and how important it is to help others in our community.
- Sandown Central will hold our annual Grandparents' Day on November 20th at 10:30 and 1:45 to accommodate our a.m. and p.m. students. There will be arts and crafts in classrooms followed by a visit to a photo booth that will capture the memory. Our theme this year is "Wishing Upon the Stars" where grandparents can pen their hopes for their grandchild for the future.
- The staff and students at Sandown Central have new spirit shirts to wear linking our Owl mascot. One hundred percent of staff purchased T-shirts or sweatshirts and the majority of our students have shown school pride by wearing their T-shirts. Shirts are still available for our second round of orders until the end of the month.
- The students are continuing to work on letter recognition and sounds. Students this week are working on linking Language Arts and Science in their writing journals.



- We are happy that our school library will be open at the end of the month for students to check out books. Ms. Pat will be working with students to share book safety tips and how to select books.

#### Middle School

- TRMS Robotics: Congratulations to the TRMS robotics teams at their competition this weekend! Both teams represented TRMS well. Team Discovery finished in 10th and Team Curiosity finished in 8th which qualified them for the finals. They made it all the way to the semifinals! Congrats to both teams for a great season!
- 6th Grade Health: After studying the Health Triangle, Analyzing Influences on our Health, Communication and Social Skill and Self Confidence, the students in 6th grade are now studying the effects that alcohol, tobacco, vaping and marijuana have on their brain, body and relationships. They will also learn how to read a prescription bottle to be able to use prescriptions safely. They will then be learning how to use Refusal Skills (steps to staying out of trouble and keeping friends). We will be having a performance assessment on Refusal Skills. The students will role play situations that they would need to say no to trouble (alcohol, drugs etc.).
- 7th Grade Health: 7th grade is learning about nutrition, analyzing fast foods and learning to read and understand food labels.
- 8th Grade Health: 8th graders just finished learning the importance of coping skills. They are now studying the effects of alcohol, tobacco, vaping, marijuana and other drugs. Using the internet for research, they are creating drug brochures for their assigned drugs. They will share interesting facts about the drug and information about the effects drugs have on individuals. They will also research places to get help for substance abuse. This is a performance assessment.
- Save the Date!: Timberlane Regional School District is excited to announce our Inaugural STEAM fair on December 4th at Timberlane Regional Middle School. This will be a hands on event for students and parents K-12! More information will be following! We hope to see you there!
- STEMspiration: On November 9th we held our second annual STEMspiration event. Over thirty 8th grade girls participated! Women presented with hands on activities regarding their career experience. This was a great opportunity for girls to be empowered by other women in college and in the working world!

#### High School

- Stemspiration Inspiring Girls to explore STEM careers grade 8 and 9 will listen to women community members speak about their career choices in science, technology, engineering, and Math. 8:00am-10:30am was held at held at TRMS on Friday Nov 9.
- November 14-20 - Spirit Week
- November 14 - Spirit Week Miss Match Day Variety Show 6:30 PM at the PAC
- November 15 - Spirit Week Decade – Seniors 1980, Juniors 1970, Sophomore 1990, Freshman 1960
- November 16 - Color/Toga Day – Seniors togas, Juniors Green, Sophomores Red, Freshman Blue
- Carnival 3-6 on the track postponed till next week due to weather)
- November 17 - Spirit Week Dance 6:00pm -9:00 pm TRMS gym (HS gym closed)
- November 19 – Twin/Duo day
- November 20 – Superhero day (Student/Faculty basketball game postponed due to gym work)

- December 1 – Jr Semi Formal 6:00pm-9:00 pm HS Café
- December 3 - Student Council is sponsoring a Gingerbread Workshop to benefit Mealey's Meals 5:30pm – 8:00pm TRHS school café
- December 8 - Kid's Night Out (grades K-5) sponsored by Student Council cost is \$20.00 per child for the entire evening of fun and activity (if you have more than one the cost is \$15 for each additional child). Snacks, drinks and pizza will be provided along with arts & crafts, board games, movies and plenty of fun. Please reserve with Jennifer.libby@timberlane.net by email or text information to 603-674-6417 - drop off is at the high school café 4:00pm – 8:00 pm.
- All our students and staff are helping to raise money for Mealey's Meals and just want to give a "Shout Out" to the parents and let them know how awesome their children are.

#### Athletics

- The winter sports season has begun. Wrestling and swim have started their practices this week. Girls Basketball tryouts and Ski dryland training begins on 11/19, Ice Hockey, Spirit, and Winter Track begin on 11/26, and Boys Basketball begins on 12/3.
- Parent Awareness Night will be on Monday, 11/19 for the following teams: Wrestling/Swim/Ski/Track/Ice Hockey

#### Performing Arts

- In October, high school musicians from across the state auditioned hoping to earn a spot in the upcoming 2019 New Hampshire Music Educators JAZZ All-State Festival. The following Timberlane students, having earned a top score on their instrument, will have the honor of participating in the 3-day festival which will take place in February 2019. Congratulations to Jayson Caissie, Evan Caissie, Elizabeth Dougherty, Jenna Horan, Jared Knight, Justin Livingston, Zachary Machemer, Ellie McCormick, Justin Nimmo, Cooper Orio, Seth Ross, Adrianna Quirk, Zachary Singer, Tara Stoddard and Nora Theberge on your great accomplishment! Extra kudos to Zach Machemer, Zach Singer, Ellie McCormick and Cooper Orio on receiving the highest scores in the state.
- All State Auditions: Timberlane High School musicians have been practicing for the New Hampshire Music Educators Classical All-State auditions which will take place this Saturday-November 17th at Manchester Memorial High School. Timberlane has 81 students from band, orchestra, chorus and guitar orchestra auditioning hoping to earn a seat in the 2019 NHMEA All State Music Festival which will take place next April 2019. Good Luck to all our hardworking and talented musicians.
- Timberlane Players: The Timberlane Players wrapped up two high school productions, Our Town & Laramie Project, this past weekend. Thanks to all who attended at least one of the five performances; it means so much to the students to see you in the audience.
- Middle School Musical: Last week, Timberlane Middle School students auditioned for their upcoming musical—Seussical Jr. Soon the casts will be chosen, scripts will be handed out, and rehearsals and set design will begin. Seussical Jr. will open on Saturday-February 2, 2019 at the Timberlane Performing Arts Center.
- Veterans Day Concert: This past Sunday, the Timberlane Performing Arts Center along with the Timberlane Community Band honored all who have served at our 12th Annual Veterans Day Concert. The Timberlane High School Chamber Singers, under the direction of Michael Green, opened the concert with an amazing arrangement of The Star Spangled Banner. Guest speaker, Kevin Major, retired Lieutenant Colonel from the Army National Guard, spoke of the heroic contributions of the WWI Veterans and the local organizations from our

district towns of Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow and Sandown. A special award was presented to Danville resident LCDR Francine H. Byron, US Navy Nurse Corps, for her sixty-five years of Leadership and Selfless service to the United States of America and the Communities of the Timberlane School District. A special piece, "Eternal Father Strong to Save," was a part of the Timberlane Community Band's repertoire and featured the Timberlane Chamber Singers in honor of Vietnam War hero and statesman, the late Senator John McCain. And last but not least a slide show, celebrating local veterans, was shown to the music of "Armed Forces Salute." It was a fantastic day for all involved and a great opportunity to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have served our country so well.