

SCHOOL/DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THE TRSB – DECEMBER 7, 2017

Atkinson Academy

- Atkinson is excited to watch the new playground come to life. It was really a learning lesson for the students as they watched the installers measure and plan out where the equipment would go – they were excellent as they explained to various students that you need lots of math and planning skills to get this job completed. Bark mulch will be delivered this week and spread and next week we will slowly immerse the students back into the playground. Hoping that snow holds off so they can enjoy it.

Danville Elementary

- The new report card format will be available for parents to read as of 12/08. Staff have been working on assessing student growth toward reaching competencies. TO prepare parents for the new format, we held an informational night in the Fall to discuss the need for a new reporting system and give a preview. When teachers met with parents at conference time, they gave information regarding the new process. Mrs. Canotas and Mrs. Barcelos will be hosting a coffee later in the month to gain feedback from parents. We recognize the importance of parents being informed and want to make ourselves available. They both serve on the District Report Card Committee and will share feedback with the committee at the January meeting.
- First and second graders had a guest speaker from the “I can Save” program as recently shown on NH Chronicle. The program is a free program that reaches out to elementary age students to learn the habits of good saving. The interactive session discussed the differences between wants and needs. Each student was given a Moonjar MoneyBox to start saving their pennies. <http://www.nhjumpstart.org/teacher-resources/can-save/>
- The annual Holiday Store was well attended once again Friday night in conjunction with the PTA. Fifth grade students dressed as elves and helped the younger students shop for inexpensive family gifts. This is one of the many favorite events sponsored by our PTA. We had alumnae from TRSD and TRMS come back to visit and volunteer to be elves! Our school library holds the annual book fair at the same time. Parents shop for books while students shop for their families. Everyone wins! Santa made a guest appearance and had MANY visitors. It was a fun evening for all!

Pollard School

- On Tuesday, November 21st Pollard hosted our 8th annual Grandparents/Special Persons Day with over 700 guests. As a special thank you, our Pollard PTA handed out “Someone at Pollard School Loves You” light up keychains. We would like to give a special thank you to Officer Pat and our Pollard PTA parents that guarded each of our doors while we were letting in our guests.

- CAN YOU REBUILD AND PROGRAM A COMPUTER? Fifth grade ELA Enrichment students are generating questions and carrying out investigations by taking apart



and rebuilding a computer. Students learn how to solve real world problems through collaboration, perseverance and an experimental/growth mindset. They will use their newly acquired knowledge to troubleshoot real-world computer problems. (Standard: ETS2.B: INFLUENCE OF ENGINEERING, TECHNOLOGY, AND SCIENCE ON SOCIETY AND THE NATURAL WORLD)



Sandown Central

- Teachers and staff have been continuing to work in PLC teams to insure we instruct students through the most research-based and data driven avenues.
- We had approximately 200 visitors for our annual Grandparent's Day on November 21st. Families participated in arts and crafts projects and were entertained by songs and poems from students.
- All students participated in the Polar Express experience on December 6th and 7th. Students were read the book penned by Chris Van Allsburg by a friendly conductor accompanied by the music from the movie. Students were treated to hot cocoa and sweets, which were generously donated by the Dunkin' Donuts on Colby Corner in Hampstead.
- Kindergarten students will be visiting the town library in January to secure a library card, have a tour, and get to browse through books.

Sandown North

- Fourth Grade Students at Sandown North visited the New Hampshire State House and the NH History Museum in Concord on November 29th. They have been learning about the branches of government, and this trip gave students a look inside the legislative branch. They met with Representative Lerner, Representative Edwards, and Senator Gannon to learn more about how our state government is run.
- Students at Sandown North celebrated the school theme "Sailing to Success" with an Ocean Enrichment Day on November 21st. Teachers offered workshops on a wide variety of ocean related topics. Presenters from the New England Aquarium, Mass Audubon of Joppa Flats, and Top Secret Science and Math added their talents to the day. There was even a visit from a life size whale!
- At Monday Morning Meeting this week, we rolled out expected hallway behaviors. Our hosts helped present the Power Point that students played a part in creating. Now, all staff will work to acknowledge students when they are observed doing the right thing.
- Dental Hygienists, funded by the Alexander Eastman Foundation, have been talking to our children in their classrooms about healthy eating and dental hygiene. They highlight how good oral health contributes to good overall health. We are so fortunate to have them do this for our students every year. These lessons, from people who work directly in the field, are powerful.

Middle School

- The middle school hosted the girls STEMspiration. It was a great success!
- In grade 8 math, student completed the Real Numbers Unit which included the exploration of rational and irrational numbers including radical and integer exponents and their properties, the classification of numbers within the Real Number System, determining the relative magnitude of real numbers, and operations involving both rational and irrational numbers. Currently, students are engaged in the study of expressions and equations as they solve and transform multi-step linear equations of one variable with rational number coefficients. This unit segues into the study of proportional relationships, lines and linear equations and the connections between them.
- Our "Girls on the Run ran in their 5K event! The girls and staff did an amazing job.

High School

- Mealey's Meals has kicked off to a great start, the school is busy fundraising and planning events for the month. We are just over \$7700.00 raised from the Vendor Fair, Classroom Collections drives, Milkman Show and Donations, with more events planned we would easily pass our \$8000.00 from last year and should hit our goal of \$10,000.00. We are collecting hats, mittens to go with the gift packages for our Mealey's Meals families. Our first ever Christmas Vendor Craft Fair raised \$3500.00 for Mealey's Meals. Up-Coming Fundraiser: Gingerbread House and the Gift Basket Raffles which we have 36 baskets this year donated by staff at all TRSD Schools, student groups and vendor's from the Christmas Fair. 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.
- January 24th - History Book Club will have a reading of their new book pick "Symphony for the City of the Dead" and special musical performance featuring Sarah Cronin, Sophia Duphily, Jessica Helie and Louise Pajak. This is a volunteer book club and the performance is well worth attending.

Athletics

- The winter sports season is underway this week. The wrestling team will host Keene on Wednesday December 6 @ 7pm, and they will also host a Quad Meet on Saturday December 9 @ 10am. The Swim Team will also start this week at Londonderry Workout Club on Friday, December 8 @ 5pm.

Performing Arts

- The Timberlane Players present Arsenic & Old Lace on Thu, Fri, Sat—Dec. 7, 8, 9 at the PAC Recital Hall 7:00pm - Sat. Matinee 2:00pm, Tickets \$5, Call 603-257-5257 Order Online: www.mktix.com/trpac

SEE ATTACHED PROGRAM FOR MORE EVENTS



Sounds of the Season



**Timberlane District
Student Holiday Concerts**

HS Jazz & Rock Ensemble Concert—Tuesday, December 5th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Grades 7 & 8 Chorus Concert—Wednesday, December 6th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

HS Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Guitar Orchestra Concerts
Sunday, December 10th

Band 1:00-2:30—Chorus 2:45-3:45pm
Orchestra 4:00-5:00pm—Guitar Orchestra 5:15-6:00pm
PAC Auditorium

Grade 6 Band, Orchestra, Chorus Concert—Tuesday, December 12th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Grades 7 & 8 Orchestra Concert—Wednesday, December 13th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Elementary Honors Band, Orchestra, Chorus Concert—Monday, December 18th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Grades 7 & 8 Band Concert—Tuesday, December 19th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Pollard Winter Concert—Monday, January 8th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Danville Winter Concert—Wednesday, January 10th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Sandown Winter Concert—Tuesday, January 16th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

Atkinson Winter Concert—Wednesday, January 17th
7:00pm—PAC Auditorium

THE TIMBERLANE MUSIC & DRAMA DEPARTMENTS PRESENTS

A HOLIDAY SHOW

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH A
SHOW FILLED WITH MUSIC, LAUGHTER AND GOOD FRIENDS

SATURDAY- DECEMBER 16, 2017

7:00PM - PAC AUDITORIUM - \$10

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED



MERRIMACK VALLEY PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
FAMILY HOLIDAY CONCERT



SUNDAY
DECEMBER 17TH
2:30 PM



FEATURING ANNA CRONIN, PIANO

\$25 ADULTS \$20 STUDENTS/SENIORS \$5 CHILDREN

*For a full listing of PAC events go to: www.timberlanepac.org
To reserve tickets call 603-257-5257 or order online at www.mktix.com/trpac*