

SCHOOL/DEPARTMENT REPORTS TO THE TRSB – November 2, 2017

Atkinson Academy

- Plans are on schedule to renovate the playground. The old equipment is scheduled to be taken out by the end of November and the crew will be here for a week of installation the last week of Nov into Dec. Hoping that the weather holds out.
- A super Fall Festival hosted by the PTA was held on Oct 21st. It was beautiful weather and most of the activities were held outdoors. Games, pizza, popcorn and baked goods were enjoyed by all.
- Lip Sync for 2nd through 5th grades will be held at the PAC, this Friday night, November 3rd, starting at 6:30pm. Great entertainment!
- Invitation to each board member is extended for a dedication ceremony for our bear (donation to be presented by Dr. Metzler). The bear has been donated by the Graczyk family in memory of Jeremy Graczyk. It will be outside the building. The bear will hold a small white board that will display daily messages to students as they come in to the building. – a reception will be held after the ceremony. Would love for board members to attend.



Atkinson Academy - Dedication Ceremony of our School Mascot Honoring Major Jeremy Graczyk, USMC. One of our Hometown Heroes. All Town Veterans are invited! November 9, 2017 at 9:30AM

Danville Elementary

- Danville was very fortunate of late to have assistance from two community partners. The Atkinson Lion's Club came to give a vision screening to all students whose parents gave permission to participate. The screening is thorough and quick using sophisticated technology. It was especially fun to meet some of our student's grandfathers who came to help!
- Plaistow Dental also visited Danville students and offered a dental exam to those who wished to participate. All students were given a goody bag of toothpaste, a new toothbrush, and dental floss. We appreciate the support of our community partners by sharing their expertise with our students.
- The annual PTA sponsored "Boo Bash" was held Friday night in the cafeteria. Students wear their costumes and play traditional games such as musical chairs, Halloween Bingo, bowling with pumpkins, eating donuts from a string, guessing contents of mystery boxes, predicting the weight of a very large pumpkin, to name a few.
- A thank you is extended to our community members in making a difference in the lives of children by showing we care.

Pollard School

- On Wednesday, October 25th Pollard School received a Blue Ribbon Award for Volunteerism at the annual NHPIE (Partners in Education) Volunteer Breakfast. Pollard also recognized 5 Gold Circle Partnerships: Plaistow Lions Club, Plaistow Historical Society, Plaistow Exchange Club, Plaistow Pediatric Dentistry; and the Plaistow Conservation Committee. The breakfast was delicious and the audience was entertained by TIGER (Theater Integrating Guidance, Education, and Responsibility). TIGER is a powerful and exciting collaboration between the Integrated Arts and Counselor Education graduate programs at Plymouth State University.

- On Thursday the 2nd grade students will participate in Ghoulish Graph-mania Day!
- During the first six weeks of school grade 2 has woven the competency below throughout their curriculum. They are celebrating by having students use what they have learned during these six weeks to formulate, gather, record, and answer data based inquiries about Halloween!
- Competency focus for the day: Students gather, represent, and interpret data related to a particular/single unit scale, including authentic applications.
 - I can formulate questions and gather, record, and organize data to answer them.
 - I can construct and interpret data (e.g., using pictograph, bar graph, tally) to answer questions or identify patterns.

Sandown Central (The Timberlane Learning Center)

- Staff have been working diligently to review our student data and have made great strides in their PLC teams to communicate results and make further adjustments to instruction if needed. We are focusing on letter recognition and fluency for all grades.
- Students celebrated Halloween with a parade, music, games and crafts on November 2nd. It was a school wide event with all staff and students participating.
- Our building looks great after our Cleaner Greener event in which over 15 volunteers contributed their time to make our building look festive, warm and welcoming. The feedback from the community has been wonderful.
- Our preschool students are developing letter sound recognition through Lively Letters, which is taught by our speech pathologists in classrooms.
- Our kindergarten students have been learning about poetry and developing their own rhyming patterns.

Sandown North

- We have been celebrating our learning achievements at Monday Morning Meeting. Students are so proud to stand and be recognized by their peers. Each week we also celebrate the Artists of the Week. Our students create pieces at home and then share them with Mrs. Lenihan, the art teacher. She takes pictures of the art project and then creates slides to be introduced and shown at the meeting.
- On the 24th, a team of five joined other Timberlane educators in Concord at a Demonstrated Success workshop. We learned more about formative and summative assessments, competency education, and project based learning. Our staff members returned and enthusiastically carried their learning to their own grade level Professional Learning Community (PLC).
- Our second graders are learning about their community of Sandown. Arlene Bassett visited them to talk about how life used to be in Sandown. The children were so excited to hear about her experiences in the one room schoolhouse in town. Other community members are being invited to share their information with our students.
- On the 25th, our Volunteer Coordinator, Kristen Gondolfo, and our PTA President, Pamella Pitman, were invited to the Volunteer Recognition Breakfast in Concord. These two women are so deserving of the recognition. They both have offered so much of their time and energy to their school community. We all really appreciate their enthusiasm and energy.

- Our Halloween Parade and celebrations will now be held on Friday, November 3rd, at 1:45. The Sandown community has scheduled Trick or Treat for the same evening.

Middle School

- The 8th grade had a visit from Judge Joseph LaPlante. The Judge simulates a jury selection process for the students as well as a trial. This is part of the Justice unit in the 8th grade curriculum.
- Grade 6 Language Art classes are learning about the Titanic and have begun to learn about Reading/Writing workshops.
- Grade 7 Social Studies is learning about punic wars.

High School

- November 2 - Field Hockey Banquet 6:00 pm High School café
- November 3 - Quarter 1 ends
- November 4 - TRHS Alumni meeting 930am High School room 400
- November 6 - Facility meeting 2:30pm PAC
- November 6 – Volleyball banquet 6:00pm Cafe
- November 8 - Mr. Timberlane at the PAC 6;30
- November 9 - Early Release Day
- November 9 - Veterans Brunch 12:30 – 1:30 pm High School Library
- November 10 - No School Veterans Day
- November 12 – Soccer Banquet 4:00 pm Cafe

Athletics

- The Field Hockey Team won their second straight Division 1 State Championship. Congratulations to Coach Mim Ryan and her staff and the players.

Performing Arts

- All-State Auditions: Our high school band, orchestra, chorus and guitar students have been practicing their All-State music in preparation for the 2017 All-State Auditions on Saturday-November 18th, at Manchester Memorial High School. New Hampshire's top scoring musicians will have the honor in participating in the three-day NHMEA All State Music Festival in April 2018.
- Veterans Day Concert featuring the Timberlane Community Band will be held on Sunday, November 12th at 2pm. The concert is free to the public.
- The Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Orchestra will hold its first concert of the season on Sunday November 5th at 2:30pm at the Timberlane Performing Arts Center. The Gala POPS concert will feature a variety of popular music by the likes of Copland, Ellington, Andrew Lloyd Webber and Rimsky-Korsakov's Capriccio Espagnol and also plans to feature TRHS students and faculty as they perform popular symphonic and choral pieces. Adults: \$25, Seniors and Students: \$20 and Children \$5.