

SCHOOL/DEPARTMENT REPORT TO THE TRSB – MAY 8, 2014

Atkinson Academy

- On April 23rd, second grader, Jordyn Friel was honored by Governor Hassan in Concord for winning the Smokey, the Bear Woodsy Owl contest sponsored by Atkinson Garden Club in coordination with the NH Division of Forests and Lands and the US Forest Service. Her poster along with five others will be on display at the NH Division of Forests and Lands in Concord for the remainder of the year. Thank you to Susan Miner, Youth Coordinator of the Atkinson Garden Club for your support.
- Along with the Atkinson Police Department, Atkinson Academy graduated 74 5th grade students from the DARE program. Atkinson Officer Nate Lyons was loaned to us for the past twelve weeks from the Town of Atkinson to teach the DARE program to our students. Their end of course essays were excellent. One essay from each class was read aloud by the student at the graduation. Special appreciation and thanks to the Atkinson Police Department for releasing this officer to spend each Monday at the Academy.

Danville Elementary

- Mrs. DeSantis' second grade class worked with Mrs. Kisiel, media generalist, to create a movie of their research on pond life. They researched their topics using books and school resources on the computer. They made replicas of their animal and created a 3d bulletin board to share with the school. Danville families attended the premier showing of the movie!

Pollard School

- 5th grade students celebrated their participation in the DARE program with a celebration on Thursday, April 24th.at the PAC. Detective Pat Schiavone was the Plaistow Police/DARE officer who ran the program and as usual he did a fantastic job, Thank you to Officer Pat and the entire Plaistow Police Department for helping to support the students at Pollard School!
- Pollard School's Science Night at the Museum will be held Monday, May 12th from 6-7:30 in our Café and gym area. The purpose of this event is two-fold. We want to showcase the science that our students do and show how it connects to other areas of the curriculum. This links directly to our School Action Plan Goal for science.
- Over 200 students and their families participated in Pollard's annual Walk or Bike to School Day this Tuesday May 6th. After arriving at school most of the participants enjoyed a nice breakfast together before starting their school day.
- Remember, Our BIKE RODEO will be held on Saturday, May 17th as part of our Safe Routes to Schools Grant. I hope all of you will join us at the Pollard School from 9-11AM. There will be an obstacle course and helmets will be given away as well as a special guest, Chris Poulos, a bike stuntman performing.

Arbor Day:

- On Friday, April 25th the entire school assembled together to celebrate the Poster Contest winners, hear from the Town officials regarding Arbor Day and then the 5th grade students planted maple seedlings and put them in the greenhouse to grow. If all goes well they will be bringing them home in June.

- Pollard students were honored this past Monday night at the Plaistow selectmen's meeting for their participation in the town's Arbor Day activities. 5th grade Poetry winner-Maggie Smith, and poster winners grade 5-Michael Demers, Grade 4-Sam Szczapa, Grade 3-Zachary Demers, Grade 2-Emme Shaw, and Grade 1-Kylie Riddle
- The first grade students all received saplings from the Plaistow Exchange Club Trees For Tots Program on Tuesday May 6th that they can bring home and plant as part of our Arbor Day celebration.

Sandown Central

- Sparks Performance at Atkinson Academy May 7th 9:30- 12:00
- Grade 5 DARE Graduation – May 15th at 6:00 pm Sandown Central School.
- Grade 5 Freedom Trail Field Trip –May 22
- Distance learning with the middle school students and grade 5 on June 5th 10:00- 10:30.
- Lip Sync – At Sandown Central School June 12th 6:30
- Move Up Day grade 3 from Sandown North to grade 4 Sandown Central and grade 5 to the middle school on June 13th

Sandown North

- On Tuesday, the 6th, Nurses' Day, the Sandown North community celebrated Mary Beth Sharp. Mrs. Sharp works daily to keep students and staff healthy and comfortable to learn. Her talents, skills, and caring make her a Nurse to Celebrate!
- The District's Enrichment Specialists and LA Enrichment Students held the [2nd Annual SPARKS Competition](#) (Students Producing Actively Researched Kids Stuff) at Atkinson Academy on Wednesday, the 7th. Our students were so excited to be involved and to be travelling "all the way to Atkinson"!
- The theme for our students this year has been the Wizard of Oz - "Following your own Yellow Brick Road to Success." On Friday, May 16th, our students will be treated to the Wizard of Oz play performed by the Hampstead Stage Company as one of our celebrations. We are all looking forward to kicking back together and watching the performance.
- Our Annual Fine Arts Night will be held on May 19th. Our third graders will perform musically using their recorders and their beautiful art work will decorate our building EVERYWHERE! All our welcome, beginning at 6:00 pm, to hear our children perform and to enjoy their beautiful art pieces!

Middle School

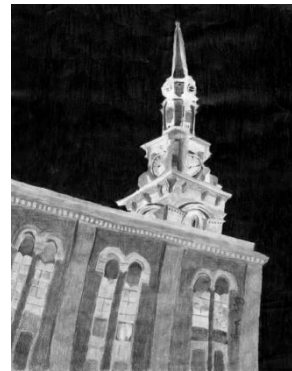
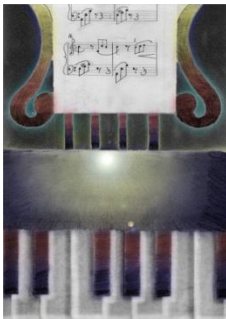
- SISTER Power, a girl's empowerment group for 8th graders, participated in an event called "Girls Take Over", held at the University of Massachusetts Lowell. The event was held on Friday, April 18th from 4-7 p.m. SISTER Power stands for Strong, Intelligent, Sensitive, Teachable, Empowered and Remarkable girls. This group meets each week and discusses ways to help them become strong successful young women. These gatherings help to prepare the girls for the high school socially and emotionally. The girls get together to build self-esteem, confidence and respect. The evening of celebration included girls from many schools and participants had fun meeting other girls and role models. They danced,

socialized and even had their nails and hair done. We look forward to welcoming this year's 7th grade girls into next years' group.



- Several of our students' artwork at TRMS was selected to be published in the upcoming edition of *Celebrating Art*, a book showcasing student art from across the country. *Celebrating Art* holds a contest three times a year for students to digitally enter their artwork. If selected, the student's work is published in the book, and they receive a free copy. Congratulations to Jake DiBurro, Emma King, Ben Lamarre, Shannon Lenihan, Anthony Mazzola, Ashley Monteiro, and Brooke Mosher for receiving this recognition! We are looking forward to seeing their artwork when the book is printed!

Top L to R: Anthony Mazzola, Ben Lamarre, Emma King. Bottom L to R: Ashley Montiero, Jake DiBurro, Brooke Moser, and Shannon Lenihan.



High School

- **May 5 - 15** - AP testing - 174 students will be taking 233 tests in 15 subject areas over the next two weeks
- **May 9** - Pep Rally - The entire school will meet in the gym from 1:00 to 2:10pm. This event will celebrate the academic, co-curricular and athletic achievements of our student body.

- **May 10** – Touch –A-Truck where children and families can climb aboard and explore fire truck, police cars, ambulances, tractors and construction vehicles. Timberlane SAU parking lot on Saturday May 10 from 10:00 am -3:00 pm cost is \$5.00 per each: maximum of \$20.00 per family. This is a fundraiser for Project Hope.
- **May 10** – Electronic Fundraiser held by Student Council to raise money for senior scholarships. Bring your old electronics including computers, TVs, cell phones, etc for a small price (\$7.00-\$20.00) they will be recycled. TRHS parking lot near the fence from 9:00 am -1:00 pm (rain or shine).
- **May 13** – NH Scholars Day - 140 seniors who are on track to complete requirements for the NH Scholars Program will be attending the NH Scholars Recognition Ceremony at the Northeast Delta Dental stadium in Manchester on May 13th. Governor Maggie Hassan is scheduled to address NH Scholars from across the state.
- **May 15** - Fatal Reality -9:00am HS parking lot
- **May 16** – Senior Prom, Atkinson Country Club 6:00 PM
- **May 19** – Day of Compassion - The second annual Day of Compassion will be Monday, May 19th. The students and staff will be participating in workshops and activities around the theme of compassion.
- **May 21** – NECAP State Science NECAP testing for all juniors will be administered in the morning of May 21st.

Athletics

- Christina Nye as the NHIAA April Student of the Month. She is a captain on the Softball team.
- Kyle Faucher set a new school record on the Javelin with a throw of 168' 4.5"
- Danielle Gajewski signed a Commitment Letter to Run Track @ UNH next year.

Performing Arts

- No report submitted.