

PLANNING AHEAD

Dec 15, 2017 7:00 PM
Holiday Movie Night

Dec 22, 2017
School Closed: Winter Recess
12/22-1/1

Dec 25, 2017
School Closed: Winter Recess
12/22-1/1

Dec 26, 2017
School Closed: Winter Recess
12/22-1/1

Dec 27, 2017
School Closed: Winter Recess
12/22-1/1

Dec 28, 2017
School Closed: Winter Recess
12/22-1/1

Dec 29, 2017
School Closed: Winter Recess
12/22-1/1

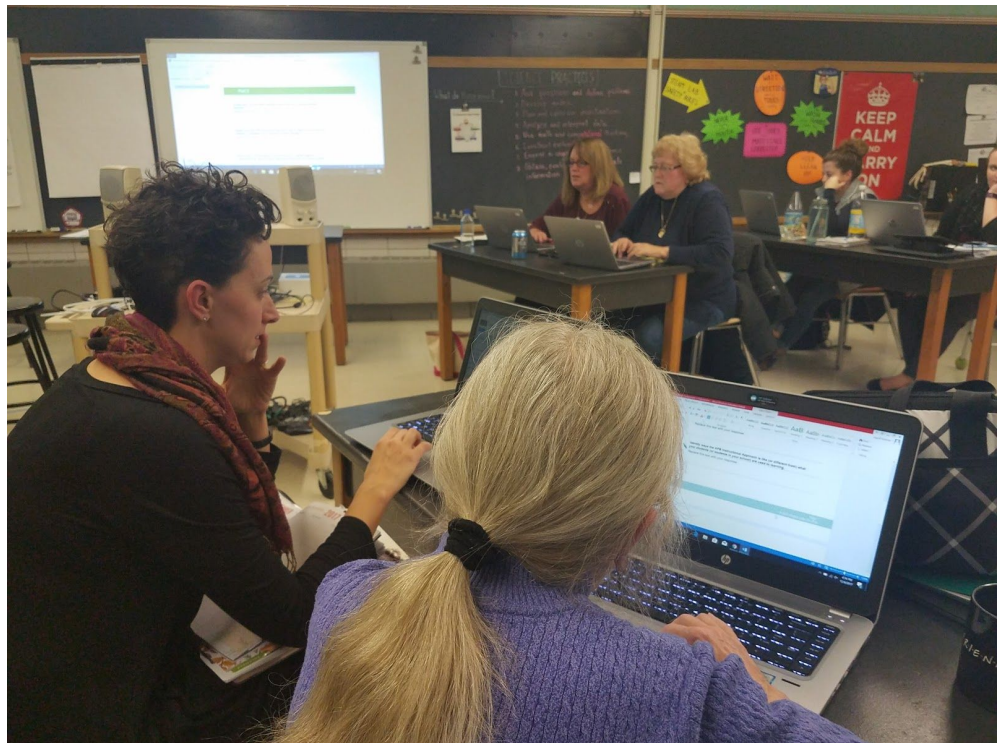
Jan 01, 2018
School Closed: Winter Recess
12/22-1/1

Jan 15, 2018
School Closed: Martin Luther
King, Jr. Day

Jan 25, 2018
Half Day: Professional
Development

A Message from Ms. Boyle

- We are completing our 15th week of school today! We are half-way through the second quarter of the 17-18 academic year. Parents of middle schoolers (grades 6-8) please check PowerSchool and reach out to teachers with any questions or concerns regarding your child's progress.
- PTA Movie Night is December 15th at 7:00pm.
- This past Wednesday evening from 3-6pm, our dedicated K-5 teachers continued learning about PLTW in the STEAM Lab.



- **Reminder about Parent Drop-off**

Please do not park in the fire lines or idle.

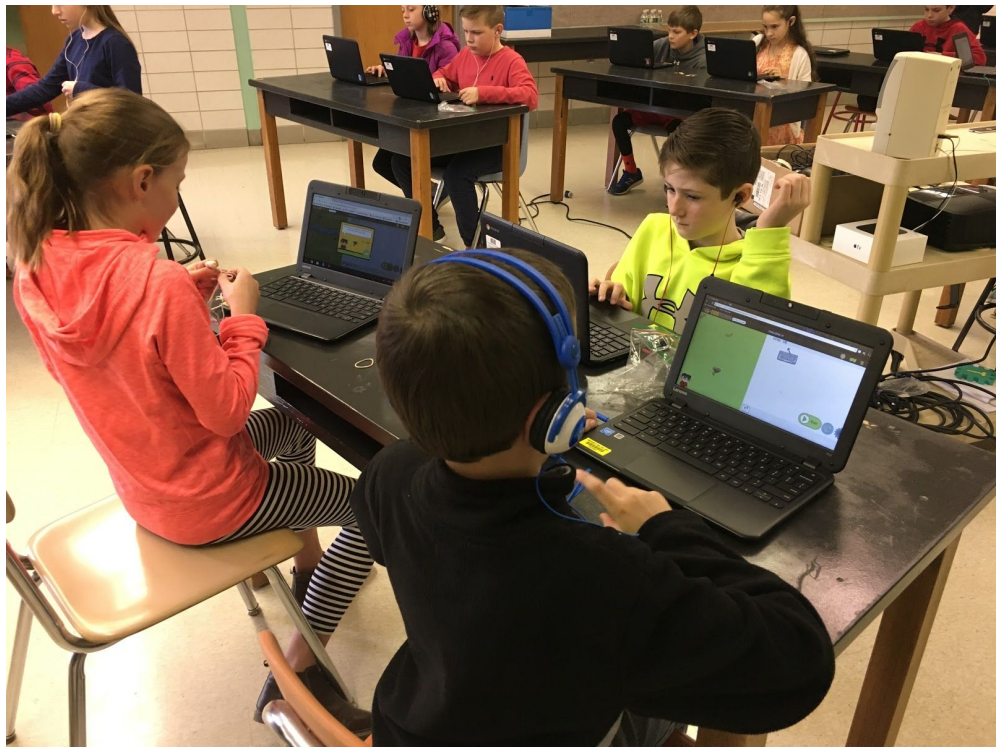
The main entrance parking lot is ONE WAY. Please obey the traffic laws and patterns. We ask that parents make one queue. Your children should exit your vehicle as quickly and safely as possible when you arrive at the sidewalk entrance. Remind your child(ren) not to walk behind your car and to get to the sidewalk immediately and to go directly into the school building to the cafeteria. Please do not form two lines, nor should you leave the queue once you have dropped off to get around other vehicles whose children are still exiting their vehicles.

- In Mrs. Hackett's class are exploring animal adaptations. We used straws and cups to try and pick up "bird food". We explored which type of beak work best for picking up food among rocks.



- Today, fifth grade students participated in an Hour of Code using the coding program CodeMonkey. Throughout the experience, students learned to use basic programming skills to successfully match a monkey with his bananas through 30 different levels, with the challenges increasing in difficulty as they progressed. Fifth graders had a great time accepting the challenges, as well as the failure that comes along with coding, and persevering and problem solving through those moments of difficulty, which is all part of the process!





- Congratulations to Mrs. Orrison for receiving a grant from the Mass Cultural Council! In the spring we will have an Origami Residency Program here at TPS. The artist, Motoko, will work with the students on Origami- making connections between this beautiful art and Geometry! Students in grades 3-6 will have this opportunity as it aligns with their curriculum.



Basketball Schedule 2017-2018

Day	Date	Opponent	Time	Plays First
Thursday	12/7/2017	(HOME) West Boylston	3:30 PM	boys
Friday	12/8/2017	(HOME) Winchendon	3:30 PM	boys
Tuesday	12/12/2017	(HOME) Oxford	3:30 PM	boys
Tuesday	12/19/2017	@ Chocksett	4:00 PM	boys
Thursday	12/21/2017	(HOME) Tahanto	3:30 PM	girls
Friday	1/5/2017	(HOME) Central Tree	4:00 PM	boys
Tuesday	1/9/2017	(HOME) Mountview	4:00 PM	boys
Friday	1/19/2017	@ Paxton	4:00 PM	boys
Monday	1/22/2017	@ Central Tree	4:00 PM	girls
Thursday	1/25/2017	@ Whitinsville	4:00 PM	girls
Tuesday	1/30/2017	(HOME) Chocksett	4:00 PM	girls
Thursday	2/1/2017	@ Mountview	4:00 PM	girls
Friday	2/2/2017	(HOME) Paxton	4:00 PM	girls
Tuesday	2/6/2017	Preliminary Round of Playoffs		TBD
Thursday	2/8/2017	Semifinal Round of Playoffs		TBD
Tuesday	2/13/2017	District Championship @ WRSD	4:00 PM/5:15 PM	TBD

Please check out this link if you are interested in learning more about MCAS:

<http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/parents/>



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Coming up next week!

FROM the TPS PTA

Please Join Us!

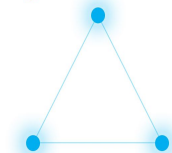
Friday, December 15th

Grades K-5 are invited for a holiday movie night. Wear your jammies, bring a blanket and stuffed animal to snuggle, and get into the holiday spirit!

A **Charlie Brown Christmas** starts at 7:00pm in the TPS cafeteria followed by a brief intermission and maybe a visit from Santa if we're good! A **Year Without Santa Claus** will begin immediately following intermission to close out the night.

Parents grab a coffee and cookie and relax in the library. Chromebooks will be available for online shopping.

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AHEAD!**



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WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

Third grader ***Kailyn Brenn*** is always working to keep our school building beautiful. If she sees someone has dropped a piece of paper in the hallway or has forgotten to throw away a straw wrapper in the lunchroom, she is **ALWAYS** there to lend a helping hand!!



Way to make us all proud Kailyn!!

PBIS Info https://www.pbis.org/	Thomas Prince School http://www.wrsd.net/thomasprince	Wachusett Regional School District http://www.wrsd.net/
Every Student Succeeds Act http://www.ed.gov/essa	MCAS Information http://www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/	<i>There are many forms of communication out there in the world today; Please know that TPS uses it website http://www.wrsd.net/thomasprince/, school messenger messages and email to communicate to families.</i>