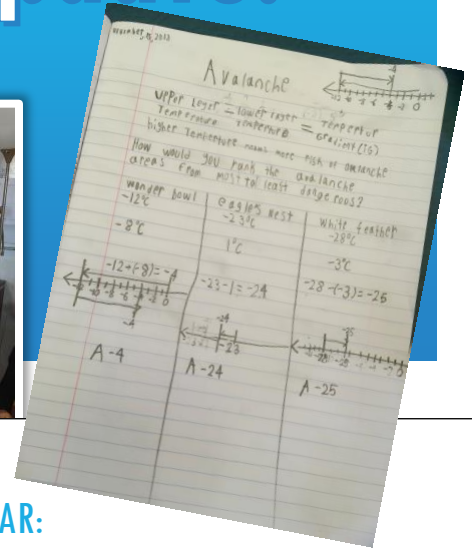
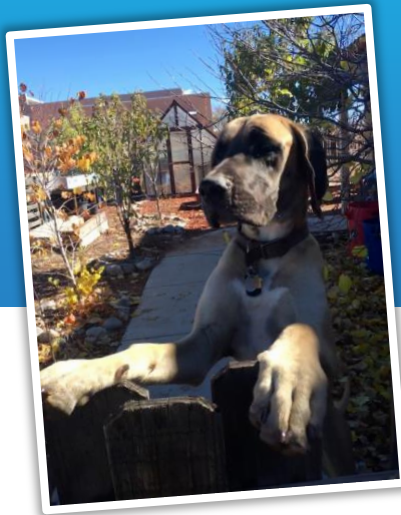


TTMS DECEMBER Update!



END OF THE SEMESTER!

We are already halfway through the year! That means a few very important events are coming up:

WEEK of DEC 3 – 7: MAP testing in Math and ELA

WEEK of DEC 10 – 14: Mid-Term and Final exams

These tests are very important for our school, and to let students and parents know how their child is progressing towards meeting their proficiency targets. Winter MAP scores will be used to begin preliminary placement in next year's courses.

CONFERENCES will be held to discuss these results and student progress on Friday, January 18th.

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH:

Please check the calendar to the right carefully for dismissal and pick up times. There are a few changes due to SFPS and Boys and Girls club schedules.

CODE.ORG: The week of Dec. 3 – 7 is Computer Science Education Week. We will be participating in the Hour of Code to introduce students to basic coding principles. You can check out their fun and free website at www.code.org

WISE FOOL: Students currently enrolled in PE will be learning how to tumble and stilt walk with Wise Fool acrobatic teachers. Please be sure students are wearing appropriate clothing for this exciting workshop, which will continue until Dec. 14th.

DECEMBER CALENDAR:

FRIDAY, DEC. 7: FIELD EXPERIENCE

- 12:15 Dismissal. Students will be visiting 3 different locations – Pick up is 3:15 at ALL LOCATIONS.
 - Santa Fe Studios: 1 Santa Fe Studios Road
 - The New Mexican Printing Facility – 1 New Mexican Plaza (off Frontage Road)
 - Turquoise Trail Charter School elementary campus.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 12: WINTER CONCERT- TTCS Elementary Campus

- Students will perform in band, jazz band, and chorus. Concert starts at 6:00 PM – performers should arrive at 5:30. 7th grade is NOT performing in the daytime concert.

FRIDAY, DEC. 14: FIELD EXCURSION

- ALL STUDENTS will be attending a film screening at The Screen. We will leave B&G Club at 10:45. Pick up time is 2:30 at The Screen.

MONDAY, DEC. 17: MIDDLE SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

- Who will be our champion??

TUESDAY, DEC. 18: PIZZA PARTY CRAFTS DAY

- Congrats on winning the Pledge Drive Contest! Woot woot!

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19th : LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: EARLY DISMISSAL

- We will be dismissing at 12:15 and traveling to TTCS.
- SCHOOL DANCE will be held from 1:00 – 3:30
- Students not attending the dance must be picked up at TTCS at 1:00 or ride their usual bus home.

SCHOOL STARTS ON THURSDAY, JAN. 3!!

FIELD EXPERIENCE FRIDAY DEC. 7: We will be holding our last rotation of this semester's trips to Santa Fe Studios and the New Mexican, with some students returning to TTCS to work with New Mexico TechWorks on learning how to edit and produce the video they captured when Mayor Weber visited TTMS last month. Please check the form your child brought home last week regarding where to pick them up.

WINTER CONCERT: The annual TTCS Winter Concert will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 12th. Please come enjoy the many talents of our student body! Several of our 7th graders will be performing in band, chorus, and Jazz band. The concert starts at 6:00 pm at TTCS. Our Student Council also plans to sell refreshments to support their winter dance.

THE SCREEN: We will follow up the concert with a field trip to The Screen on Dec. 14th to see the film *The Music of Strangers*. Our very own Char Rothschild will be the guest speaker on the topic of world music and international community. We need to leave TTMS early that day, so **PICK UP IS AT 2:30!**

SPELLING BEE: As students grow older, the ability to communicate effectively in writing becomes more and more important. SPELLING well is just one factor in becoming an excellent writer. Our students will compete in the Middle School Spelling Bee on Monday, December 17th. Who will be our champion??

HOLIDAY CRAFTS DAY: Tuesday, Dec. 18th will be a fun & creative day full of arts workshops for students. We will also have our pizza party for winning the Pledge Drive contest this day – so no need to bring your lunches!



**THANK YOU FOR
ALL YOU DO!!**

SCHOOL PICTURES!!:

Attached to this newsletter you will find a photo order form. WE ARE NOT SELLING PRINTS, but you may buy a complete digital download for \$ 30.00. This includes all of your child's individual photos as well as class photos. You may send cash or checks made out to "Turquoise Trail Charter School". When we receive the payment, we will upload the photos to your child's Google Drive. From there you can upload them to purchase prints from many vendors, such as Walgreens, Sam's Club, or online photo services such as Snapfish and Shutterfly.

A HUGE Thank You goes out to Cheron Ryan, Rio's mom, who donated her time to create these beautiful portraits of your children!

I would also like to say THANK YOU to everyone who participated in our Open House FEAST! It was so special to see you all there and enjoy your favorite dishes. We have a wonderful community, and it shows!

