

# From the Principal's Desk Tomlinson Middle School A Peek at The Week Dec 11 – Dec 15

#### The Tomlinson Winter Concerts

Grade 7 & Chamber Choir: Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>
Grade 8 & Jazz Band: Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>
Grade 6 & Chamber Orchestra: Thursday, December 14th *All Concerts will start at 7:00 pm* 

#### Dear Parents,

In an effort to support our TMS families we are seeking support from the entire Tomlinson community in order to make their holidays a little bit brighter. Should you wish to contribute, I will be collecting gift card donations from local businesses such as: Kohl's, CVS, Stop & Shop, Marshall's, Target, Wal-Mart, or any other area businesses that would allow our students to enjoy the holidays. Gift card donations can be dropped off to me in the TMS guidance department. If you prefer to contribute age appropriate gifts for our students, we welcome those donations as well. If donating gifts, please send gifts unwrapped so we can distribute appropriately. Please feel free to contact me by phone at (203) 255-8433 or email erodriguez@fairfieldschools.org if you have any questions.

Happy Holidays!

Elizabeth Rodriguez, School Social Worker

TMS School Spirit TMS Spirit Wear will be sold outside the Cafeteria during all lunch shifts on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Items sold will be water bottles, tote bags, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and much more. Cash and Checks (payable to TMS PTA) will be accepted. Items are from \$5.00 to \$35.00. Please visit the TMS PTA website at <a href="www.cttmspta.org">www.cttmspta.org</a> for more information.

Holiday Cookie Treat for Staff – Do you have a favorite holiday cookie or new recipe to try? Bake up a batch and send them in for the Holiday Cookie Treat Event. Every staff member will receive a festive bag of assorted cookies to take home to share with friends and family. PTA elves will need 750 cookies to get the job done, that's 30+ volunteers contributing 2 dozen cookies. Please email Heather Petrecca petrecca@att.net with TMS COOKIES in the subject to contribute. Cookies are due by 10:00 am, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>.

Order your hardcover 2017-2018 Tomlinson Yearbook now and before time runs out. Place your order before January 31<sup>st</sup> to take advantage of the early order discount. The discounted price is \$25.00 with personalization options available for additional costs. All orders must be placed online at *ybpay.lifetouch.com* or through the mail. Simply use the link and enter the TMS Yearbook ID Code 12888718 to order online. There will be mail order forms in the main office.

Health Office Request: As the cold and flu season approaches, our School Nurse, Mrs. McLaughlin, would like to remind parents to report ALL incidents of infectious disease to her office at 203-255-8430.

School Nurses

Box Tops – Collections throughout the year. The easiest fundraiser ever – simply cut the box tops from the products you already purchase. Please put them in a plastic bag and send to the Tomlinson Main Office. If you have any questions, please email Amy Baisley <a href="mailto:amybaisley@yahoo.com">amybaisley@yahoo.com</a>

## **Important Dates**

12/12	Early Dismissal at 12:40 (PD for Staff) (no breakfast or lunch will be served)
12/13	PTA Meeting – 9:30 room 318
12/13	Grade 8 Winter Concert – 7:00 pm
12/14	Grade 6 Winter Concert – 7:00 pm
12/20	Grade 8 – Carillon Concert at FWHS
12/22	Early Dismissal at 12:40 (no breakfast or lunch will be served)
12/25	Holiday Recess – School Closed through January 1st
01/02	School Reopens
01/04	STAR Reading Testing – Gr 6
01/05	STAR Reading Testing – Gr 7

### Tomlinson Afterschool Activities 2017-2018

Activity	Advisor(s)	Day	Location
Art Club	Cheryl Abraham/Dave Ward	Monday	B02/B08
Basketball–Boys Varsity	Tom Cunningham	TBD	Gym
Basketball-Girls Varsity	Tim Hanley	TBD	Gym
Book Club	Katie Lee	Monthly	LLC
Chamber Orchestra	Vickie Kuan	Monday	B20
Chamber Choir	Sara Hoefer	Wednesday	B22
Cheerleaders (Winter)	Caitlin Giff	Tryouts 11/6,8 & 9	PA Gym
Cross Country (Fall)	Kyle Astle/Karen Vickerelli	Monday/Thursday	Field
Drama Club	Perry Liu	TBD	Auditorium
Golf Club (Fall)	Brendan Hamilton	TBD	Par 3
History Club	Katie Lee	Monday	LLC (seminar)
Homework Club	Jim Fedoryk/Brendan Hamilton Kristy Bellantoni/Dane Schlegel	Monday/Thursday	LLC
Jazz Band	Carla Strauss	Wednesday	B31
Literary Magazine	Diana Cicero/Maura Shields	Thursday	305
Science/Math Club	Jim Fedoryk	TBD	101
Sewing Club	Lauri Warfield	Thursday	166
Sports Club (fall/spring)	Barb Markelz	Monday	Gym
Student Leadership Council	Paige McCarthy	TBD	107
Technology Education Club	Rick Hellthaler	Thursday	B13/B15
Track (Spring)	TBD/Karen Vickerelli	Monday/Thursday	Field
Yearbook	Joann Bachleda	Thursday	114