

Turkey Hill School Gobbler Newsletter
January 19th, 2024

School News:

Valentine's Day: is on the way! Please remember that food, candy, and gum are not allowed to be handed out in school. We know that some Valentines come with pre-packaged bags of treats. Your child will not be able to distribute these at Turkey Hill on Valentine's Day. However, sending in non food Valentines like pencils, stickers, erasers, etc. are perfectly acceptable. As we have done in the past, room parents will coordinate a classroom party with the teacher that will take place on February 14th. Parents are invited to attend the party if their schedule allows. Thank you in advance for making this a "sweet" day! Please [click here](#) to see the Valentine's Day Letter that was sent home in back packs earlier last week..

Character Quest Assembly: We had our 2nd character quest assembly yesterday where we celebrated all that we learned about the character trait "Gratitude". We also introduced our next character quest: "We are on a quest to persevere!". Over the next 4-5 weeks students will watch AV Club news segments about what perseverance means, staff members will be interviewed about perseverance, teachers will be talking about it in class, reading books about perseverance, and recognizing/ highlighting students when they are showing perseverance. At the assembly today, our students watched a brief video about someone who shows perseverance every day. They learned about Porter Ellett - Porter is the assistant running backs coach for the Kansas City Chiefs. Mrs. Corcoran's son also works and travels with the Kansas City Chiefs and she has helped orchestrate an interview with Porter! Our students are working on creating interview questions that we will give to Mrs. Corcoran's son so he can record an interview of our questions with Porter that our students will watch later this month! If you wanted to watch the video on Porter - [click here](#).

Parent Book Club: If you are interested in understanding the science of how the brain is wired and how it matures, New York Times Bestseller is for you! **The WHOLE- BRAIN Child**, by Daniel Siegel MD and Tina Payne Bryson PhD. We invite you to participate in a book club and/or receive a free book. Please complete this [Form](#) if you are interested in participating or to just get the book.

Winter Band and Orchestra Concert: On February 1st at 7pm we will hold our annual winter concert that showcases our students who participate in a specialized instrument group at Turkey Hill. We have two groups performing this year:

- Our school band will perform under the direction of Mrs. Patrick and needs to arrive at 6:15pm.
- Our school orchestra will perform under the direction of Mr. Olden and needs to arrive at 6:40pm.

The students performing will participate in a dress rehearsal during the day in which they will perform for the student body. Then they will perform again for parents and family members at the evening performance.

After School Activities Registration: Registration is open for our winter after school activities! Please [click here](#) for more information.

Mid Year Benchmark Assessments: This week classes started mid year benchmark assessments. The benchmark assessments are a way for us to measure if students are on track to meet the end-of-year expectations and to monitor growth. You may hear your child

talking about it at home, please be assured that there is no preparation or review that you need to do at home for these. If you have any questions please contact your child's classroom teacher.

AV Club Morning Broadcast: [Click Here](#) to see this week's AV Broadcast. You will be prompted to type in a password. Our password is turkey.

Virtual Backpack: Please click the link to see all flyers in the virtual backpack.
School: <https://www.oess.org/our-schools/turkey-hill/virtual-backpack/school-news>
PTO: <https://sites.google.com/view/turkey-hill-school-pto/>
Community: <https://www.oess.org/our-schools/turkey-hill/virtual-backpack/new-page>

PTO Events

Talent Show:

Got talent? Share it with us! The Turkey Hill TALENT SHOW is coming! There will be an informational Zoom meeting on Wednesday January 24 at 7:00pm. A parent/guardian of any student planning to perform must attend the meeting. Student attendance is encouraged as well. If you are unable to attend the meeting, email: sara.wallace@live.com to make other arrangements.

Topic: Talent show meeting

Time: Jan 24, 2024 07:00 PM Eastern Time(US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://bridgeport.zoom.us/j/92366386263>

[Meeting ID: 923 6638 6263](#)

Important dates:

Dress Rehearsal (mandatory for performers) Wednesday, 2/28 from 6:00-8:30 pm.

Talent Show: Friday, 3/8 at 7pm. (Ticket sale information coming in February)

Little Lady and a Loved One:

Registration is now open! All little ladies of THS are invited to attend Back to the 80s Night, along with a special adult of their choosing. Saturday, February 10th 6:00-8:00PM at Turkey Hill School. DJ, dancing, dessert, arcade games, photo booth & more!

The cost is \$30 per couple and +\$10 for each additional child (example: \$30 per couple, or \$40 for two students and one adult). Tickets will not be sold at the door. Please register here: [80s Night Registration](#)

Yearbook Orders: The online store is open for yearbook orders! Order yours [here](#) today, using yearbook ID code: 13366124. The price is \$28, with the option to have your cover personalized for an additional \$5.

ATTENTION 6TH GRADE PARENTS All 6th graders will receive a FREE copy of the yearbook courtesy of the PTO. Please do not submit an order for 6th graders unless you wish to purchase additional copies. You may request a personalized cover (\$5) by emailing turkeyhillyearbook2324@gmail.com.

Yearbook 6th Grade Baby Photos: 6th grade parents - please email one baby picture of your graduate to turkeyhillyearbook2324@gmail.com for a special feature in the yearbook! Please include the student's name in the email subject line.

Yearbook Photos: Submit photos to be considered for inclusion in the yearbook here: [2023/2024 Yearbook Photo Album](#). Email turkeyhillyearbook2324@gmail.com with questions. Photos should be of school events and ideally include more than one student. **Please share holiday concert and party photos!**

Turkey Titan School Store: Status for Wednesday, January 24th: OPEN. The store will be open to all grades on alternating Wednesdays during lunch. Gift certificates are available for purchase - a great alternative to holiday and birthday goody bags! Email laura.yencho@gmail.com or ajdecrosta@aol.com for info.

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- Get Remind texts: <https://www.remind.com/join/thsp2324>
- Sync our THS PTO calendar to your own: <https://bit.ly/THSPTOCalendar>
- Find links to all the latest on our website: <https://bit.ly/thsp2324>
- We welcome your questions and feedback! Email us anytime at turkeyhillpto@gmail.com

Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
22nd	23rd	24th School Store Open	25th Junior Achievement Day	26th Wear your THS Sportswear
29th	30th	31st School Store Closed	1st Winter Band/ Orchestra Concert 7pm	2nd Wear your THS Sportswear.

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