

**Turkey Hill School Gobbler Newsletter**  
**October 13, 2023**

**School News:**

**Hat day:** Claire Theiss, a former THS Student, is completing her Eagle Scout project at Turkey Hill. We will be holding a hat day fundraiser on Wednesday to support it. [Click here](#) to see the flyer.

**Yale Nursing Interns:** I am excited to share that Orange Public Schools and Yale School of Nursing will be continuing their partnership. We will host Yale Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) student teachers who will interact with our students in various capacities. This partnership will provide learning opportunities for our APRN students and additional support for our students. Our APRN students will deliver whole class lessons centered around our Social Emotional RULER instruction. In addition, some students will benefit from small group sessions centered around social/emotional learning and social strategies. You will be notified if your child is selected for a small group opportunity. At other times, with parental permission, we will be asking the Yale APRN students to attend Planning and Placement Team (PPT) meetings, assist with assessments, and provide push-in support throughout the school year.

**If your child is absent from school:** As a reminder, if your child is absent from school you must notify the office either by calling 203-891-8040 or by emailing our absentee line at [thsabsences@orange-ed.org](mailto:thsabsences@orange-ed.org)

**AV Club Morning Broadcast:** For those that are not aware, our 6th grade students create and run our daily morning broadcast that all of our students watch. They create and plan special news segments and have special spotlights for younger students to read the pledge of allegiance. [Click Here](#) to see this week's AV Broadcast. You will be prompted to type in a password. Our password is turkey.

**Reminder: Vision Screening:** Vision Screening will be conducted on October 18th for 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th graders. We are fortunate enough to have the **Lion's Club** conduct the screenings again this year. A flyer will go home next week that explains the procedure - Please complete the form and return to the school. **If the form is not returned, it will be considered an "opt-out"** for the screening. Any questions, please reach out to Nurse Kathleen at [kmalone@orange-ed.org](mailto:kmalone@orange-ed.org)

**Reminder: Veterans Day:** Our Veterans Day assembly will take place on November 10th with a snow date of November 13th. If you have a veteran in your family that you would like to honor please fill out the form that will go home in backpacks today. [Click here](#) to see the form.

**Reminder: Halloween Parade:** Please [click here](#) for details.

**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**

**THS Shirt Store is OPEN!** The official THS shirt store is now open! You can get this year's official THS Shirt design in t-shirt, long sleeve shirt and hoodies, in black, gray, blue and orange, in both adult and youth sizes. The store closes Monday, October 16th.  
Order here: <https://turkeyhillfall23spiritwear.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

**Art Goes to School:** We are ready to kick off the Art Goes to School program for the 2023-2024 school year! Art Goes to School is a PTO-sponsored cultural arts program that delivers approximately 4 art enrichment lessons to the classrooms throughout the year. Lessons are prepared and shared with volunteers before heading in the classroom, and all materials are provided by the PTO. We are looking for 2-4 volunteers for each classroom to present the AGTS lessons to their child's class this year! Click the link below to sign up by Friday, October 20th.  
[Art Goes to School Sign-Up](#)

**Thanksgiving Pie & Cookie Dough Sale:** Back by popular demand, the Lyman Orchards Pie and Otis Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough sale is officially open! You can sign up online to place your order with the link below, and then share your unique link with friends and family members who want to order too. All orders are due by **October 13th**. Please make sure to mark your calendar for pie pick up - Thursday, November 9th from 4:30 - 6:00.  
<https://my.mcmfundraising.com/signup/BPBH>

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

The Scholastic Book Fair returns to the Turkey Hill gym October 16-20! Students will have an opportunity to preview the fair on Monday, 10/16, then return to shop with their class throughout the week. With every purchase made, our school earns up to **50%** in Scholastic Dollars, which are used to purchase books and equipment for our school library.

Cash, checks (made out to Turkey Hill School PTO) and credit cards are accepted. Kid debit cards such as Greenlight have not worked in the past, please send in a back-up form of payment. **Take note, Scholastic requires that we charge tax on all purchases.** Don't want to send your child in with your card or cash? Set up a safe and secure E-Wallet through our [Scholastic homepage](#). Set-up an account for your child (one account per child, E-Wallets may not be shared between siblings), choose the amount to add to their wallet, and our volunteers will look up your child's E-Wallet by name and teacher at checkout. Any unused E-Wallet funds will be converted into an e-gift card for you to use at [Scholastic.com](https://www.scholastic.com) or a future fair. **Parents - here's how to get involved:**

- [Sign up to help](#) during your child's scheduled shopping time. Students will shop with their classes 10/17-10/19.
- Visit the fair during conferences (10/17 & 10/19, 5-8 pm) to shop from your student or teacher wishlists.
- Spread the word about our **special family and friends event on Friday 10/20 from 9 - 11 am**. Students will be called out of class to shop when their special family member arrives at the school.
- Browse some of the featured titles available in the [Book Fair Flyer](#).
- Visit our [homepage](#) and set up an E-Wallet.

Questions? Email [laura.yencho@gmail.com](mailto:laura.yencho@gmail.com)

### **THS Drama Club Presents Willy Wonka, Jr.**

Tickets for the THS Drama Club's Willy Wonka, Jr. are now ON SALE! Show times are Friday, November 17th at 7pm and Saturday, November 18th at 2pm. All seating is General Admission.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors, and all THS staff may reserve up to 2 tickets at no charge. Advanced ticket reservations are highly encouraged as the show is expected to sell out.

For Friday tickets: [my.cheddarup.com/c/th-s-drama-wonka-friday](https://my.cheddarup.com/c/th-s-drama-wonka-friday)

For Saturday tickets: [my.cheddarup.com/c/th-s-drama-wonka-saturday](https://my.cheddarup.com/c/th-s-drama-wonka-saturday)

Any questions? Please contact Drama Club director, Kelsey Sullivan at [ksullivan@orange-ed.org](mailto:ksullivan@orange-ed.org).

**Turkey Titan School Store:** Status for Wednesday, October 18th: **CLOSED** due to book fair. The school store will open during recess, instead of lunch, for all grades each Wednesday going forward. Gift certificates are available for purchase - email [laura.yencho@gmail.com](mailto:laura.yencho@gmail.com) or [ajdecrosta@aol.com](mailto:ajdecrosta@aol.com) for info.

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

**Stay in Touch!** Want to stay up to date on ALL that is happening at THS?

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- Get Remind texts: <https://www.remind.com/join/th-spto2324>
- Sync our THS PTO calendar to your own: <https://bit.ly/THSPTOCalendar>
- Find links to all the latest on our website: <https://bit.ly/th-spto>
- We welcome your questions and feedback! Email us anytime at [turkeyhillpto@gmail.com](mailto:turkeyhillpto@gmail.com)

### Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16 Scholastic Book Fair (All Week)	17 Minimum Day Dismissal at 12:55  Parent Teacher Conferences 5-8pm	18 Vision Screening for Grades 1,3,4,and 5  <b>No School Store</b>	19 Minimum Day Dismissal at 12:55  Parent Teacher Conferences 5-8pm	20 Wear your THS Spirit Wear
23 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5	24 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5	25 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5  School Store Open	26 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5  Grade 3 Visits Bryan Andrew House	27 Cogat Testing - Grades 3 and 5  Wear your THS Spirit Wear

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