

**TO: TAVELLI PARENTS**  
**FROM: MS. CHRISTINE HENDRICKS, PRINCIPAL/LINDA FOREMAN, OFFICE 488-6725**  
**DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8 2015**  
**SUBJECT: IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS and DATES**

**Tavelli Important Dates to Remember:**

Oct. 1-21 Cans Around Tavelli Food Drive  
Oct. 7-13 Tavelli Global Cardboard Challenge  
Oct. 8 Odyssey of the Mind Parent Meeting & Kid Rally, 6:00 p.m., Science Lab 🐾  
Oct. 9 Tiger Fit Walkathon 🐾  
Oct. 9 Battle of the Books Registration Forms due  
Oct. 12 PTO Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Tavelli Media Center 🐾  
Oct. 14 Running Club Registration Forms due back to Tavelli 🐾  
Oct. 14 Tavelli Parent-Teacher Conferences, 4:00-8:00 p.m.  
Oct. 14 Take Your Parent to Lunch Day, Tavelli Cafe'  
Oct. 14 Last Day for cardboard donations  
Oct. 15 No School for Elementary Students, parent-teacher conferences  
Oct. 16 No School for K-12 Students  
Oct. 16 Deadline for candy donations for Tavelli's Sweet Street  
Oct. 21 Last day to donate to Cans Around Tavelli  
Oct. 21 First Day K-2 Running Club—3:45 Red Pod 🐾  
Oct. 22 First day 3-5 Running Club—3:45 Blue Pod 🐾  
Oct. 22 Registration Deadline, Odyssey of the Mind 🐾  
Oct. 29 Mandatory Odyssey of the Mind Team Kick-off Event, 6:00 p.m., Science Lab 🐾  
Oct. 30 Tavelli Fall Festival, 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
Nov. 12 End of First Trimester  
Nov. 12 PSD Turkey Roundup to benefit the Food Bank of Larimer County  
Nov. 13 No School for Elementary Students, teacher work day  
Nov. 18 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Steam Performance *Jeopardy Science Game Show*, 6:00 p.m.  
Nov. 19 Report Cards go home with all students  
Nov. 25-27 No School for PSD Students, Thanksgiving Recess

🐾 Denotes a PTO-sponsored Event

🐾 Denote a Tavelli Wellness Event

**1. THE TIGER FIT WALKATHON IS TOMORROW!** -- Grab those tennis shoes and get ready for some fun! Please remember that all pledge forms and donations must be submitted tomorrow, October 9th, in order to be eligible to win prizes! If you have any questions, please email [charliegal5@gmail.com](mailto:charliegal5@gmail.com). **DON'T FORGET YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE AT:**

**[WWW.TAVELLIWALKATHON.MYEVENT.COM](http://WWW.TAVELLIWALKATHON.MYEVENT.COM) ! Let's reach our goal of \$15,000! GO TIGERS! 🐾 🐾**

**2. Battle of the Books is Coming!** -- Our Battle of the Books optional reading program is underway for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> grades. The students are forming their teams of 4 or 5 students, and we have parents or staff members as coaches. The teams meet at lunch, or before or after school on school grounds. They read **8 books** between now and March. In March, we will have a "battle" here at Tavelli as the students answer questions about the books they have read. If they win here, they go on to the district battle against 6 other schools. It's a great program to get students excited about reading books that they would not normally read. **Come join us!** Forms can be picked up in the library and should be turned in by this **Friday October 9<sup>th</sup>**. There is a **\$10 fee** for each student to help us pay for the books that need to be purchased. Questions? Email Laurie Fuller: [lfuller@psdschools.org](mailto:lfuller@psdschools.org) with any questions.

**3. Cans Around Tavelli** -- Hey Tavelli! Please help support the Food Bank of Larimer County and donate non-perishable foods to the Cans Around Tavelli Food Drive. Boxes will be provided in each classroom for your donations, and a jar for monetary donations is located in the Tavelli Office. Every dollar raised = 4 pounds of food! Two years ago, Tavelli collected 900 pounds and this year our goal is 1,000! Be the class that collects the most cans. Please bring in cans or money by Oct.21.

**4. Dream Team Has Begun!** – Dream Team has begun for all Tavelli students and tutors who returned their registration sheets. Students may arrive at the gym at 7:45 a.m. for 15 minutes of activity before the tutoring sessions begin. Please make sure your student arrives no later than 8:00 a.m. so they can take full advantage of this wonderful program. 🐾

**5. Help! We Need More Cardboard!** – Tavelli students are rising to the challenge and creating some wonderful structures out of the donated cardboard. Unfortunately, we are rapidly running out of cardboard for their creations. Please bring your cardboard,

of any size in to the science lab through next Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> and our students will make immediate use of it. Thanks for your help!

**6. Fall Festival - Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>** -- Come join us for a new event this year! A fall festival with a Sweet Street. The kids will be able to trick or treat throughout the school from 6:00-8:00 p.m. We will have some fun activities, as well as a Monster Mash Party. So let the kids dress up and show off their costumes to their friends, and enjoy a dance party! \* Remember no scary makeup or masks.

Parents - we are needing candy or prize donations for Sweet Street! Please drop them off in the Tavelli Office by Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. 🐾

**7. PSD'S Turkey Round-up is Coming!** – Once again, Poudre School District is sponsoring a turkey drive to benefit the Food Bank of Larimer County. Please consider donating a turkey so that the less fortunate in our community can celebrate the Thanksgiving Holiday with all the fixins. Frozen turkeys can be dropped off at Tavelli all day on Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and we will then deliver them to the food bank. Thank you for your generosity!

**8. Reminders From The Parking Lot** – In order to keep cars flowing in the morning, please continue all the way around the circle to the back building entrance near the kindergarten rooms to drop off your child. Cars are backed up out into the street in the morning, creating an unsafe situation. If you want to assist your child in exiting your vehicle and entering the building, please park in the back lot so we can keep traffic moving smoothly and children safe in the parking lot.

**9. Educational Rights** – As a parent or legal guardian of any PSD student, educational rights must be granted in order to access student information online or to receive emergency/inclement weather notifications from PSD through email. The student data forms sent home at the beginning of the year included a check box for educational rights. If you did not check the box, you will not be able to access any information on ParentVUE. Please contact the school office in writing to grant educational rights for each of your students.

**10. Safety First!** -- For the safety of our children we ask that you enter the building at the main entrance--this applies to everyone, even if you are wearing your badge. Our sign-in system can give us an exact picture of who is in our building, so in the event of an emergency we know who is on our campus. Please stop by the office, sign in and get a visitor's badge if you don't have a permanent volunteer badge. Teachers will be checking for badges and asking you to return to the office to sign in and put on a badge. Again this is for the protection of our children so we know who is in our building. We also ask that parents drop students off in our back traffic circle to the east of our building. Additionally, in the past, we have had some vehicles make U-Turns in our back traffic circle or drop students off in the middle of Miramont Street. This is very dangerous, especially when we have buses trying to drop off or pick up students. Thank you for your cooperation and keeping all of our students safe.

**11. A Few Reminders for Parents – a) If your child is absent from school, please call our attendance line at 488-6726 to let us know your child will be out of school for the day. The office needs daily notification of any absence.** In case of extended absences, please let us know when your child will return. b) If your child will be changing after school dismissal plans, please be sure to send a note explaining the change. c) If you need to pick up your child early, please be sure to stop at the office to sign your child out. d) Students should not arrive at school before 8:35 a.m. The first bell rings at 8:50 a.m. Thank you.

**12. Box Tops For Education and Morning Fresh Milk Caps** – Please bring any General Mills box tops or Morning Fresh milk caps that you have collected in to the office. Tavelli collects 10 cents for every box top and 5 cents for each milk cap turned in. Please clip neatly around the box tops and make sure your milk caps are clean. Thank you for supporting our PTO programs. 🐾

**13. Volunteers at Tavelli** – All Poudre School District volunteers are required to register or update their profile at the PSD website in order to volunteer at Tavelli or any other school in the district. Any unregistered and uncleared volunteers will not be allowed in the classrooms. Please make sure to go online to [psdschools.org](http://psdschools.org) and follow the directions to register as a volunteer. Don't have access to the web? We can get you registered here at school, just stop in at the office and we can help you get this done. 🐾

**Community Dates to Remember** (Please note: Poudre School District does not endorse or take responsibility for programs or activities sponsored by other organizations.)

**Oct. 17** Free workshop ADHD: Skills or Pills? The Counseling Community Clinic, 219 W. Magnolia St. Suite #120; if interested please register online at [www.nocoahdclinic.com/events/](http://www.nocoahdclinic.com/events/)



Please visit the Tavelli Website <http://www.tavellielementary.org>