

TO: TAVELLI PARENTS
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DATE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2016
SUBJECT: IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS and DATES

Tavelli Important Dates to Remember:

Feb. 1-29 Schools on the Move Challenge 🐅
Feb. 23 3rd Grade STEAM Performance, *Blast to the Past*, 9:50-10:40 Student Audience
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Feb. 24 3rd Grade STEAM Performance, *Blast to the Past*, 6:00 p.m. for the Tavelli Community
Feb. 26 No School for Elementary Students, Teacher Work Day
Feb. 26 Second Trimester Ends for K-8th Grade Students
Mar. 3 Read.a.thon Donation Sheets due to the Tavelli Office
Mar. 4 11th Annual Tavelli Read.a.thon
Apr. 5-21 CMAS/PARCC Testing at Tavelli
Apr. 22 School Bus Safety Poster Contest entries due to your classroom teacher
Chess Club meets on Tuesdays from 7:45-8:45 a.m. in Room 28 beginning Jan. 28th registration forms available in the office
🌸 Denotes a PTO-sponsored Event
🐅 Denotes a Tavelli Wellness Event

1. The Cat in the Hat is Coming Back! The 11th Annual Tavelli Read-a-Thon will be Friday March 4th with Colorado authors Julie Hedlund and Tim Northburg coming to speak to students about their writing and read from their books. The day will be filled with writing workshops, reading and celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday. Books will be available for purchase and can be signed by the authors. Order forms will come home in your Thursday folders. The Read-a-Thon is a BIG fundraiser for Tavelli so please help your students reach out to friends and family to donate online at: www.tavellireadathon.myevent.com 🌸

2. The Schools on the Move 5210 Challenge is more than half way done! February is flying by and so is the 5210 Challenge. Keep tracking your healthy habits and see if you can get 60 boxes and earn a FREE Challenge t-shirt. Activity logs went home with all students earlier this month. If you need a new log or would like to participate in the Family Challenge, go to the Tavelli Wellness page. Everything you need to know (including a fun video) can be found there! Here is the link for the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6bWGkJIRn8&feature=youtu.be> 🐅

3. Show your Tavelli pride the 5210 Way! Every Friday is Spirit Day here at Tavelli! Wear your Tavelli gear to show your Tiger pride! If you have a Schools on the Move 5210 Challenge t-shirt from a previous year, be sure to wear it on Fridays in the month of February! What a great way to show your spirit and remind us of the 5210 Challenge! 🐅

4. CMAS/PARCC Testing Scheduled for April -- PSD students will take the state-mandated Colorado Measures of Academic Success and PARCC tests from April 5-21. Parents can prepare their child for these tests in several ways:

- **Ensure your child gets a good night's sleep.**
- **Provide your student with a nourishing breakfast.**
- **Schedule appointments or vacations on non-test days.**
- **Encourage your child to do their best in school at all times, not just during assessments.**

The CMAS/PARCC assessments are designed to provide a picture of student performance to schools, districts, educators, parents and the community. The data will be used to measure student, school, and district progress toward higher student achievement levels. For more information about CMAS/PARCC tests, visit the Colorado Department of Education website

5. 2016 School Bus Safety Poster Contest – A flyer is coming home with your student today concerning the PSD Transportation Services Bus Safety Poster Contest. Your student can enter the contest to win a new bike and helmet. All details are listed in the flyer coming home today. Entry deadline is Friday, April 22.

6. Get Ready to “Blast to the Past” With Tavelli’s 3rd Graders! -- The 3rd Grade STEAM Encore Musical Performance is based on the “5 Regions of America”. Synopsis: It is the year 2210 when one of the biggest tourism industries is Time Travel Historical Tours. The Conductor of Engine #9 guides the guests on a tour of 5 historical events from 1836-1965. The “Blast to the Past” Tour witnesses Martin Luther King’s “I have a dream” speech, Mark Twain piloting his steamboat, Amelia Earhart’s last flight departure, Davy Crockett’s last stand, and the celebration of the beauty of America with Katharine Lee Bates.

Performances for the school are February 23 and 24 at 9:50 and February 24 at 6:00 for the Tavelli Community.

7. 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 where we have staff available from 8:35 on to assist students safely into the building.

8. 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.

9. 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.

10. Box Tops For Education and Morning Fresh Milk Caps – Please bring any General Mills box tops or Morning Fresh milk caps 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. 🐾

11. 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 pdschools.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.*)

Ongoing	Colorado Ski Country USA provides the 5 th & 6 th grade Passport Program, visit coloradoski.com/passport to sign up for your free passport. Every Kid in a Park Program (free permit for 4 th graders) https://everykidinapark.gov/
Feb. 27	25 th Annual Little Shop of Physics Open House and Alumni reunion, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., CSU Lory Student Center, Free and Open to the Public



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