

TO: TAVELLI PARENTS
FROM: MS. CHRISTINE HENDRICKS, PRINCIPAL/LINDA FOREMAN, OFFICE 488-6725
DATE: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2016
SUBJECT: IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS and DATES

**Remember, there is no school for K-8 students tomorrow, due to a staff collaboration day.
Enjoy the long weekend!**

Tavelli Important Dates to Remember:

Sept. 23 No School for K-8 Students, Staff Collaboration Day
Sept. 26-28 5th Graders to ECO Week 🐾
Sept. 28 PTO Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Tavelli Media Center 🐾
Sept. 29 Dream Team Tutor Applications due 🐾
Oct. 6-7 Dream Team Tutor Training, 8:00 a.m., gym 🐾
Oct. 7 Tiger Fit Walkathon 🐾
Oct. 10 Dream Team begins for all Students, 7:45 a.m., gym 🐾
Oct. 10 Little Kid's Rock for 4th-5th Graders, 3:45-5:00
Oct. 12 Take Your Parent to Lunch Day
Oct. 12 Original Works Packets coming home with all students
Oct. 12 Parent-Teacher Conferences, 4:00-8:00 p.m., No school for students
Oct. 13 Parent-Teacher Conferences, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., No school for students
Oct. 14 No School for Students
Oct. 31 Trick or Treat in the Tavelli Café
Nov. 16 5th Grade Steam Performance, *Musical Science Jeopardy*, 6 p.m., Tavelli gym

🐾 Denotes a PTO-sponsored Event

🚶 Denote a Tavelli Wellness Event

1. Our Duathlon Was a Huge Success! – A big Tavelli thank you to Healthy Kid's Club, Cindy Meland, Melissa Baatz, and Laurie Zenner for all their great work on our Duathlon. We would also like to thank Mr. Deal and Sean Streeter for their help in organizing this fun family evening. 🐾

2. THE TAVELLI TIGER FIT WALKATHON IS OCTOBER 7!! -- Hello Tavelli Families! The Walkathon is our BIGGEST fundraiser for the school year! Walkathon Packets were sent home today. Check out our amazing prizes that were donated by the OtterCares Foundation. You can collect donations online at www.pto.tavellielementary.org. Donations are due October 7 to be counted in our prize drawing. Thank you for your wonderful support of our beautiful school! GO TIGERS! 🐾

Sign up to volunteer at the event here!! [Walkathon volunteer sign up link](#) 🐾

3. MUSICAL HAPPENINGS -- 5th Grade STEAM Music Program -- The 5th graders are preparing for their STEAM program, "Musical Science Jeopardy". Not only does the play teach multiple musical concepts but it also includes over 20 different science standards in these categories: Plants, Fish and Mammals, Force, Motion, and Skeletons. Come join us on Nov 16 at 6:00 for a fun and educational game show.

Little Kids Rock Modern Band – Mondays from 3:45-5:00 -- Little Kids Rock (LKR) is beginning October 10 after school. All interested 4th and 5th graders should have received a letter today. Due to so many students being interested in Little Kids Rock, we won't be able to take everyone into the program. This means that those who weren't part of The Tiger Stripes last year will have their name drawn lottery style. The format for this year includes three Modern Bands of diverse ability and breakout sessions focusing on different aspects of music. Students who wish to join the performance group, The Tiger Stripes, will have a chance to join last year's members through an audition by playing "Walking on Sunshine". Tiger Stripes band members are expected to stay until 5:30 while the other LKR members leave at 5:00. If you have questions regarding the program, please email rdeakin@psdschools.org or tsparks@psdschools.org. Thank you

To find out what Little Kids Rock Modern Band is, please visit the webpage <http://www.littlekidsrock.org/>.

4. First PTO Community Meeting of the Year. RSVP Soon! -- Please join us for the Tavelli PTO Community Meeting on Wednesday September 28th. This is a great chance to learn about the school, get involved and stay informed about where your donations are spent. Please RSVP at this link so we can plan accordingly! [Tavelli Community Meeting RSVP](#) Email us anytime as well! tavellipto@gmail.com 🐾

5. Parent Teacher Conferences – Tavelli Staff will begin conferencing with parents the week of October 10th, both before and after school. Additional conference times will be scheduled Wednesday, October 12th from 4:00-8:00 p.m., as well as all day on Thursday, October 13th. Since many of our Tavelli parents have work schedules that are difficult to change to accommodate daytime conferencing, the district has allowed the extra evening times during the weeknights. There will be no conferences scheduled for Friday, October 14th, but students will still be off school that day. Information will be coming home soon. Thanks for your cooperation, we hope to see everyone at conferences in October.

6. Take Your Parent To Lunch Day – A RSVP form is coming home today for National Take Your Parent to Lunch Day on October 12th. Parents can come dine for free in our school café with a paid student lunch. Please return the RSVP form to the kitchen by Wednesday, October 5th. Students can also Trick or Treat in the Café on Halloween, Monday October 31st—any student who purchases a hot lunch that day will receive a non-food prize!

7. Dream Team News – 4th and 5th Graders interested in becoming Dream Team Tutors must return the application by Tuesday, September 29th. Please give your applications to Mrs. Spomer in the Tavelli office. Invitations to teacher recommended students in grades 1-3 were sent home last Thursday. Dream Team Tutor Training will be October 6th and 7th at 8:00 am in the gym, and Dream Team for all students starts at 7:45 on October 10th. 🐾

8. Original Works Packets Are Coming Home October 12th – Your students have been working hard on their art projects for this fundraiser for the art room. Packets will be coming home so you can view the work and place an order. These make great holiday gifts!

9. Tavelli Supports Cans Around the Oval – Tavelli students are taking part in the Cans Around the Oval Food Drive with Colorado State University. Students may bring in non-perishable foods or cash donations to support the Food Bank of Larimer County. High need items include baby food, canned fruit, peanut butter, cereal, mac and cheese, and meals in a can (ravioli, canned food with meat/protein). You can donate online, or by checks payable to The Food Bank for Larimer County. The online donation link is <https://my.foodbanklarimer.org/campaign/30th-annual-cans-around-the-oval/c84648> make sure that you use the group name Tavelli Elementary if you donate by this method. The monetary donations are much more impactful because of their buying power: \$1 donated equals 5 pounds of food! Thanks for your help with this important community project.

10. Chess Club Returns to Tavelli! – Once again, Tavelli will be sponsoring Chess Club here before school on Tuesdays, from 7:45-8:45 a.m. To register, please go to www.chessmatesfc.com or stop in at the office and pick up a registration form. The first meeting of the year will be Tuesday, September 27th in Room 1.

11. 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.

12. News From Our Nurse -- There is a NEW immunization exemption process beginning the 2016-17 school year. Details on the options for and frequency of submitting exemptions are now available at www.colorado.gov/vaccineexemption. Personal exemptions are needed annually beginning this school year. Medical exemptions completed online by a health care provider only needs to be done once.

13. Check Your Student's Lunch Account – If your student is purchasing hot lunch, please make sure to check the lunch balance periodically. This can be done on the website, www.myschoolbucks.com/ver2/login/getmain?requestAction=home. Payments can be made online with a credit card.

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

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| Oct. 4 | Fall Parent Night: Helping Our Children with Anxiety and Stress, Werner Elementary, 6:30-7:40, Contact Sarah Good, sgood@psdschools.org by September 27 th to RSVP |
| Oct. 11, 18, 25 | Parenting With Love and Logic for Elementary School, 6:00-7:30 p.m., Council Tree Covenant Church, \$30/person or \$50/couple, childcare available--\$10 for all 3 weeks, Info. 970-223-6507 |
| Oct. 12 | PSD's Dept. of Language, Culture & Equity Presents, Parent Academy, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Marriott Hotel, breakfast & lunch included, Contact Mary Lou Velez, mvelez@psdschools.org or 488-6782 to attend |

