TO: TAVELLI PARENTS

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DATE: THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017

SUBJECT: IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS and DATES

Tavelli Important Dates to Remember:

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K-2 Running Club meets Wednesdays from 3:45-4:30 3-5 Running Club meets Thursdays from 3:45-4:30—permission slips are needed in order to participate, please go to the Tavelli Wellness Page on the Tavelli Website

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- 1. Tavelli Receives Academic Awards The Colorado Department of Education has honored Tavelli with two important awards this year. Tavelli was one of a handful of PSD schools to win both the Governor's Distinguished Improvement Award, given to schools that demonstrate exceptional student growth, and the John Irwin Award, presented to schools that demonstrate excellent academic achievement. Thanks to our entire staff and our families for supporting great student achievement both at home and at school!
- 2. Congratulations to Our Science Fair Winners! We would like to congratulate the 5th graders who submitted Science Fair Projects for judging. Our OtterCares Judges worked to select projects to represent Tavelli at the Poudre School District Science Fair. The students who have earned this honor are: Scout Buggle, Mrs. Tyler, *Wacky Wifi*, Madeleine Duveneck, Mrs. Tyler, *Pressure/Temp Effects*, and Brody Volesky, Mrs. Tyler, *Melting Ice*. The two alternates are: Rachel Griffin, Ms. Fennimore, *The Penny Drop* and Connor Jackson, Mrs. Tyler, *Skittle Dye Reactions*. Congratulations, Tigers! All science fair projects will be showcased at Tavelli's STEAM Day on April 27th
- 3. PTO's Spring Fundraiser -- Our new spring fundraiser starts today! Please check out our brand new format and take part in The \$20 for 20 Challenge today! Click here > www.pto.tavellielementary.org. The page is also accessible on the Tavelli website home page under the PTO tab.
- **4. 7. Please Join Us For Our PTO-Sponsored Community Meeting on Monday March 27th.** We will have a Q and A with our principal Christine Hendricks as well as a special guest -Rob Deakin, our Tech Instructor. Child care will be provided. We hope to see you there. Please respond on the following link if you are attending the meeting: March 27th Tavelli Community Meeting RSVP **Link ***
- 5. 5th Grade Celebration Parents of 5th graders are needed to help plan the 5th Grade Celebration, traditionally held on the last day of school. Please join us Thursday, April 6th in Mrs. Loptien's classroom to help plan a fabulous send-off for our 5th grade students.
- **6. PARCC Testing Scheduled for April --** PSD students will take the state-mandated Colorado Measures of Academic Success and PARCC tests from April 4-21. 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 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 the test, visit the Colorado Department of Education website

- 7. Limited Edition Spirit Gear Available Now! -- Hello wonderful Tavelli families! Your PTO is offering Limited Edition Spirit Gear featuring artwork by Tavelli fifth grader, Chase Streeter! We are so excited about this new gear!! Take a look at the website, so easy to use! Please note that this is an online sale only!!
- https://stores.inksoft.com/tavelli_elementary_school
- 8. Give a Book Program at Our Scholastic Book Fair We are excited to announce a new program in conjunction with our Spring Buy One Get One Free Book Fair. We are implementing the "Give A Book" program, designed to provide books for Tavelli students who cannot buy books of their own. We are asking all students who have previously purchased Scholastic books to consider donating a Scholastic book or two to this effort. Those who donate will earn a Tiger Ticket (1 ticket for up to 5 books, 2 tickets for up to 10, etc.). Students can show their books to their teachers for the Tiger Ticket and then drop their books off in the collection box in the library. Thanks for your generosity to help this new program be successful.
- **9. Dress Code Reminders** As the weather warms up, please remember the expectations for appropriate dress here at Tavelli. As per the Tavelli Handbook, students should wear clothing that is appropriate for the weather and for school. Examples of inappropriate attire include halter tops, short shorts, midriff shirts saggy pants, and t-shirts with offensive slogans or pictures. Thanks for your help.
- **10. Tavelli After School Activity Pickup** Parents, if you are picking your student up from a Tavelli activity after the office closes at 4:00 PM please wait in the foyer. The second set of entry doors will not be unlocked. Your child's teacher for the activity will bring them down and check them out to you when the activity is over. Thank you for your understanding of this important security issue.
- 11. Purchase a Pizza Pals Card and Help Support Dream Team! Tavelli has some Pizza Pals cards from Old Chicago on sale in the office. A card costs \$11 and can be redeemed for a large pizza Sunday-Thursday at Old Chicago—a \$23 value! Stop in and pick up a card and help support our morning Dream Team program.
- 12. Please Keep Our Parking Lot Safe Just a reminder, our west parking lot near the front of the school is Exit Only onto LeMay Avenue. The entrance to the lot is on Miramont Drive, on the south side of the lot. Please do not try to enter the lot off LeMay. Thank you for your help.
- 13. Box Tops For Education Please bring any box tops that you have collected to school. Tavelli collects 10 cents for every box top turned in. Please continue to save throughout the year and drop them in the collection box in the block area. Thank you for supporting our PTO programs.
- 14. Morning Fresh Milk Caps If you have milk delivered from Morning Fresh Dairy, we would love for you to send your clean caps in to Tavelli. The dairy will give us 5 cents for each cap returned! We have a collection box in the main office. Thanks for your help with this.
- **16.** 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.*)

Apr. 25 PSD envision Math 2.0 Parent Information Night, 5-7 p.m. Rocky Mtn. High School Auditorium PSD envision Math 2.0 Parent Information Night, 5-7 p.m., Lesher Middle School Auditorium

City of Fort Collins Rebate Program, for information, http://www.fcgov.com/rebate/

Parent Education Speaker Series, sponsored by Child, Adolescent and Young Adult Connections, drop in includes dinner at no cost. Info: http://www.healthdistrict.org/news/free-8-week-speaker-series-parents-addresses-mental-health-substance-use

