

October 2016

Principal Message

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It has been a fabulous start this fall! Now that the weather has cooled down, the students are enjoying time in their classrooms. I am very proud of all the students as they have surpassed my expectations with their school behavior. They have spent a lot of time reviewing our three school expectations: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, as well as our Tusky Valley Manners. It has shown in the number of students on Ready to Learn. Role Model and WOW! They continue to work on their independence and thinking skills each day. Now that everyone has settled in and routines are set, I ask that parents say goodbye to their child at the front doors each morning and allow them to walk to their lockers and classrooms independently. This is a skill that all the teachers and students have been working on and makes for a smoother start each day. If you would like to talk with your child's teacher, please make arrangements prior to that morning so that the teacher can be prepared to find coverage for their room if necessary. Thank you for sharing your children with us every day! We have the best students and families around!!!

REMINDERS

- Mrs. Clements

Parents are welcome to come visit their child during lunch for special occasions. We ask that parents either purchase a school lunch or bring a packed lunch for themselves. We do not allow for fast food (McDonald's, Wendy's, Subway, pizza, etc.) to be brought into the school for parents or students. Please let the office know through a note or phone call if you will be attending lunch for the day. We ask that parents not follow their student to recess. We encourage the children to play with other children and will often be distracted by visitors on the playground.

Afternoon dismissal begins each day with parent pick ups at 3:20. After students are signed out, parents/students should not be wondering hallways and meeting with teachers during dismissal time, unless previously scheduled with the teachers. Dismissal is a very hectic time and we want to ensure all students are being placed on the correct buses. Restrooms in the locker rooms are the only restrooms available after school hours. Thank you for your cooperation!



Piper Symons poses with her apple artwork.

APPLE and PUMPKIN DAYS

Many of our Kindergarten and 1st grade classrooms have ventured into fall with new discoveries about apples and pumpkins. Thank you to all that donated and volunteered on these fun-filled days. The students enjoyed their food testing, pumpkin carving, applesauce making, scientific observations and experiments.



From Left to Right: Luke Crosland counts pumpkin seeds, Grace Hawkins discovers what sinks and floats, Jordison Law peels apples for homemade applesauce and Mr. Murphy helps Jonathan Baker and Hunter Crawford carve their pumpkins.







PTO NEWS

Thank you to all that participated and donated to the Tusky Valley PTO Walk-a-Thon. 100% of the proceeds stay at TV to support events throughout the year for our elementary children such as skate night, family dance night, classroom parties and incentives, recess equipment and school supplies, etc.

Many parents have shown interest in helping with the classroom parties. If you are interested, please return the room parent form and attend our Room Parent Meeting on October 13th form 6:30-7:30 in the Primary Gymnasium.

Our next monthly PTO meeting will be held at TV Intermediate starting at 6:30pm. All are welcome to join us!

ABSENCES and VACATIONS

- 1. If your child will be leaving for an appointment during the school day, please call or send a note to verify the time he/she will be leaving. This allows the teacher to have them prepared for this absence.
- 2. When your child will not be in attendance for the day, it is required that you call the school office or leave a message at the school to report their absence. Please provide the student's name, date and reason. If a call is not received, Mrs. Martin will send an automated call to remind you that this needs to be reported.
- 3. Upon returning from an absence, please send a written note with a reason or doctor's excuse.
- 4. Tusky Valley does allow vacation leave (no more than 5 days per school year) for students if a situation arises and they need to leave town with his/her family or a family vacation was planned that could not be taken within scheduled school breaks. A letter needs to be sent to the school office at least 5 days prior to the absence. Approval of the absence will then be sent home and to the teacher as confirmation. This allows the teacher to provide missed materials to the student since they are responsible for any missed work while they are gone. For more information, please see the school handbook.



School Workbook fees are set at \$40.00. We accept payments throughout the school year. If you would like to arrange partial payments, please contact the school office.

October Events

3rd- Miss Jessica Library Day

10th– TV Board of Education meeting 7pm @ TVHS

13th- TVPS Room Parent Meeting 6:30pm

14th- No School (Teacher In-Service)

18th- TVPTO Meeting 6:30 @ TVIS

21st- End of 1st Grading Period

25th- Fall Picture Retakes

28th– Halloween Parade and Parties

2-3pm

Report Cards Sent Home

November Events

3rd- TVPS Book Fair Begins

Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7pm

5th - Tusc. Reading Festival at New Towne Mall

10th- Last day for TVPS Book Fair

Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7pm

Mark your calendars:

Lifetouch Fall picture day retakes are scheduled for October 25th for TVPS.

Parent-Teacher Conferences are approaching fast. They are scheduled for the evenings of November 3rd and November 10th.

The Fall Scholastic Book Fair will be held from November 3rd through November 10th. The Book Fair will be open during Parent -Teacher Conferences as well. If you are interested in volunteering at the book fair with student shopping or restocking, please contact Mrs. Clements or Mrs. Mandy Lake.

TV PRIMARY NEWS

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