

Torey J. Sabatini School

DECEMBER NEWS

Principal Neena Sing

Friday, December 3, 2021

Make it a December to Remember...



Important Dates...

- December 6 - Scholastic Book Fair Preview for Students & Teachers
- December 7, 8, 9 - Scholastic Book Fair
- December 10 - Reports Cards Available for Parents in Genesis at 3:00 PM
- December 23 - Single Session Early Dismissal Day (PTO Pizza Lunch Day)
- December 24 - School Closed
- December 27 - 31 - Winter Recess - School Closed
- January 3 - School Back in Session!

Peer Leaders Sock Drive...

Please join us in supporting the 5th Grade Peer Leaders Sock Drive! We are collecting brand new men, women, and children's socks to benefit our local women's and children's shelter. Peer Leaders have been making morning announcements and posters to benefit the event and they are excited to count all of the school-wide donations. We are accepting donations until Friday, December 10. Sock drop-off bins are located inside the building at each of the three entrances. Please encourage your child to drop off socks at their usual arrival and dismissal times. Thank you in advance for your support!



Winter Sing-a-long...

We are so pleased to announce plans for our winter singalong. Our singalong for the students will be held on December 23. New this year, all district K-5 students will be singing together, simultaneously! Our music teachers will be live streaming into every classroom, projected on the SMARTboard, for all students to join in from their classroom. We look forward to festive music filling our hallways!



Staff Professional Development...

Principal Sing and several Torey J. staff members including Mrs. Lemon, Mrs. Bletcher, Mrs. Stockdale, and Ms. Larson attended a workshop given by Dr. Eddie Fergus on December 3rd. Dr. Fergus is an Associate Professor at Temple University and presented on the topic of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusivity.

Lost and Found...

Every Friday we will be displaying all lost and found items outside the main office at dismissal. We have a significant amount of hats, gloves, coats, sweatshirts, etc. Please take some time to visit the rack to see if any of the items belong to your child.



First and Fifth-Grade Reading Buddies are Back...

Each fifth grader paired up with a first grader to share their love of reading. This is a wonderful opportunity for our 5th graders to practice their fluency skills while supporting the first graders with decoding and comprehension. The fifth graders met and interviewed their first-grade reading buddies today and are looking forward to planning their first read-aloud!



News from the PTO...



The Book Fair is Back! December 7th- 9th

We are excited to welcome back the Scholastic Book Fair from December 7-9. This is a great opportunity for students K-5 to build their home libraries and further their love of reading. We're excited to celebrate our love of books together at the Book Fair. We look forward to seeing your child there!

- The fair will be in person this year, with students visiting during school hours.
- Payment methods will be cash or a check written to TJS.
 - We ask that your student(s) bring payment in a small Ziploc bag. We will accept cash or a check made out to TJS PTO. With the checks, you can leave the amount blank and we will fill in or enter an amount and we can provide change.
- The schedule of when each class will visit the fair will be announced soon.

Just as in prior years –

- Each student will be gifted \$5 to spend while shopping, so everyone will go home with a book!
- You may gift a teacher a book by donating \$ to their “wallet”. Use this [doc](#) to do so.
- We need volunteers! Help students find the perfect book(s). Volunteer [here](#).

PTO Public Board Meeting December 10th at 9:30 am

The PTO Executive Board will hold a public board meeting on Friday, December 10 at 9:30 am. The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom. All are welcome to attend. More information and the Zoom link will be circulated next week.

Spirit Wear Pick-Up! Please pick up today, Saturday, or Sunday between 9 am- 7 pm

TJS Spirit Wear is Available for Collection! Please pick up by Sunday, December 5th at 5 Nordling Lane, Madison between 9 am - 7 pm. Orders will be left on the outside porch in boxes in alphabetical order.

News from the MEF...

Our mission statement at MEF includes phrases like "enrich curriculums" and "inspire faculty and staff" and "energize the creative and academic lives of students." What it all means is perfectly illustrated in this photo of a joyful and proud Madison student who designed and printed winter-themed drink coasters on a 3D printer at school. Throughout the holiday season, your tax-deductible contribution to MEF allows our teachers to innovate, students to explore, and schools to thrive. We are a 100% volunteer-led organization, and your donations are invested directly into our schools. Every dollar makes a difference. Donate [today](#).



SAVE THE DATE

**MADISON
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Preview Night for 5th Grade Families
Monday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 pm



Families and students, join us for a presentation of all that MJS has to offer our incoming 6th graders.

Hear from school admin, staff, and students, then take a building tour led by MJS student council members.

This event will also be streamed live via Zoom Webinar.