

Traverse Mountain Elementary

Tiger Times



THIS MONTH AT A GLANCE

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Dec 9-12	Hour of Code	Dec 15	Show Choir at Outlets 6:00pm
Dec 10	PTA Meeting 12:30pm	Dec 16	Café Zupas' Night
Dec 10	Show Choir Christmas Concert 7pm	Dec 19	Christmas Concert 9:15am and 10:15am
Dec 11	Show Choir Christmas Assembly 9:20am	Dec 19	Christmas Assembly 1:00pm
Dec 15	Character Counts Assembly 9:45am	Dec 22- Jan 4	Christmas Break
Dec 15	PM Kindergarten Assembly 2:00pm		

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Merry Christmas to Traverse Mountain students, parents and staff.

During the month of November our PTA sponsored a White Ribbon Week which taught our student about the importance of Internet safety. An informative parent meeting was well attended during a night time meeting. The week ended with a thrilling assembly where Beyond 5 (Band) and Chris Hollyfield (WWE wrestler) performed and told stories. Seven lucky students and four teachers won tickets to a Jazz game and Miss Schauerhamer won the signed copy of a Beyond 5 CD. Thanks to the PTA for a fantastic week.

In December our Show Choir will perform at the Outlet Mall as well as present an assembly and parent performance of their Christmas Showcase. On December 19 we will have our annual Christmas Performance where all students will sing grade level songs for parents. During the week of December 8 our students will participate in the world-wide event "Hour of Code"

There is one thing you can count on from Traverse Mountain Elementary. There are always exciting things going on, and never a dull moment. Thank you to all our stakeholders for the support you continually give and for sharing with us your brilliant and bright children.

Ilene Strong
Principal



Pictures: Reflections

Photography Winners



Music Winners



Visual Arts Winners



3-D Winners



Literature Winners



Pictures: Beyond 5 and Internet Safety

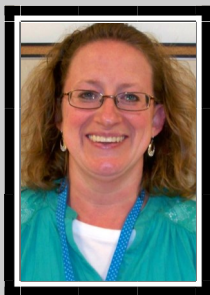


Beyond 5



Pictures: W.A.T.C.H. Dogs

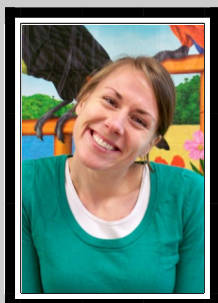




Christina Ahlstrom

1st Grade

If you could have one super power what would it be?	I really wish I could have 2. I would like to know when someone is lying or telling the truth and I would like to be able to see the troubles when they happen on the playground. If I can only have one, I would like to know what really happens at recess.
Are you a night owl or an early bird?	Night owl.
What are you afraid of?	I am afraid of water. When I was younger I almost drowned at my aunt's pool.
Do you speak a foreign language?	No.
What are your hobbies?	Reading, sewing, cooking.
Who is your hero?	My dad. He is an amazing teacher.
Do you have a nickname?	No.
Aside from food, water, and shelter, what is one thing you could not go a day without?	My family.
Any pet peeves?	People putting empty boxes/containers back in the fridge or pantry so I think I have stuff but I really don't.
What is your favorite family tradition	Christmas morning breakfast.
What is your favorite subject in school?	My favorite subject to teach is math, but reading was always my favorite growing up.
Is there anything you wished would come back into fashion?	Poodle skirts.



Rachelle Crockett

4th Grade

If you could have one super power what would it be?	I would choose teleporting. That way I can visit places all over the world.
Are you a night owl or an early bird?	When I have the energy, I like to be an early bird. But I'm certainly not a night owl, because come 9pm I'm ready for bed.
What are you afraid of?	Heights. I first learned about this fear when I used to climb my grandparent's flag pole. When it was windy, the flag pole would sway, and I thought I was going to fall to my doom.
Do you speak a foreign language?	French. Oui Oui.
What are your hobbies?	Running, cuddling up with a good book, spending a day at the beach, and most anything else that is outdoors.
Who is your hero?	My grandparents. They are exactly the kind of people I hope to be one day.
Do you have a nickname?	When I was a baby, my parents called me "squeaker" because I used to squeak in my sleep. Now I talk, yell, and even sing in my sleep.
Aside from food, water, and shelter, what is one thing you could not go a day without?	Speaking to another person. I love being around people. I start talking to myself if I'm alone for too long.
Any pet peeves?	Negativity—it drives me up the wall. I want to tell them to go sit in the sunshine and eat some jelly beans. Anything to make them more positive.
What is your favorite family tradition	All of our Christmas traditions.
What is your favorite subject in school?	Science! If I could have two jobs, I would also be a marine biologist.
Is there anything you wished would come back into fashion?	Not really. There are some things I hope never come back into fashion, such as 80's hair.



Box Tops

We are changing the way we do box tops at the school this year. We will be collecting box tops in individual classrooms. The box tops will be collected several times during the year. And the money earned from the box tops will go right back to the classroom. The amount each classroom collects is the amount that they will get back.

Please go online to www.bxotops4education.com and register for an account if you have not done so already and learn about all the ways there are to earn box tops for your school.

Download a Box Tops collection sheet here:
<http://www.bxotops4education.com/all-about-bxotops/bxotops-downloads>

Looking Ahead to January

1/14	PTA Meeting 12:30pm
1/19	No School
1/21	SCC 3:40pm
1/26	Character Counts Assm.
1/26	PM Kindergarten Assm.

PTA Presidents Message

Tigers!!

I can't believe it is December already!! This year seems to be just flying by!

Can I just say, there are such talented kids at Traverse Mountain Elementary!! Reflections just ended and we had over 70 entries! Congratulations to all the winners, and good luck in the next round!

We had our first White Ribbon Week, which was amazing! We had activities each day during lunch for the kids and they earned a spirit stick at the end of the week. We also had a parent's night; a lot of helpful information was given. If you weren't able to make it but would like more information, please email us and we will try to get it to you.

Mark your calendars....we will be having our 3rd Café Zupa's night on December 16th.

I am excited to announce that Traverse Mountain PTA has partnered up with Hampton Inn- Thanksgiving Point to bring a new program, Hampton Highlights, to our school! Each month, (starting next month, we will be doing 2 a month!!) one of our FABULOUS teachers will be highlighted and receive a free stay at Hampton Inn-Thanksgiving Point as well as a free meal from Texas Roadhouse! Mrs. Smith (4th grade) was our first winner! She is such an amazing teacher and we are thrilled to be able to highlight her this month! She sacrifices her own time to tutor students before and after school as well as helping students finish assignments during her lunch! She truly cares about her students and it shows in everything she does!! As a student reported, "She never yells at us. She is so nice". That is what we love to hear!

We select the highlighted teacher based on comments sent to us, from you, of all the great things that your student's teacher does or has done this year!! We will keep those comments on file and add them to all new comments. So Parents, ask your child their opinion and send us all the ways you think your student's teacher is AMAZING and should be highlighted!! Please send all comments to: TMHamptonHighlights@gmail.com. Let's let our teachers feel how much we appreciate them!!

I hope you all have a wonderful Holiday!

Stephanie McDonald

Traverse Mountain Elementary PTA President



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