



Tumalo Community School
Monthly Newsletter
June 2017

June Dates of Interest

2 nd	5 th Gr Track Meet @ RHS 9:10-1:45	12 th	8 th Gr Graduation 8:00 & SHARC 9:00-2:00
	1 st Gr to Tumalo Reservoir 9:15-12:30	13 th	Paige from DPLS visits classes in AM
	RVHS Seniors visit MS classes 12:10	14 th	1 st Gr Art Walk 5:00-6:00
5 th	3 rd Gr Spelling Bee 2:15 in Gym	15 th	Kg Storyline GM's class 10:00 & Smith & Sterzinger classes 10:30
6 th	PTC Meeting 3:45		Field Day 4 th -8 th 10:30, Kg 12:30 & 1 st -3 rd 1:30
9 th	Tropical Dress-up or Survivor Assembly	16 th	5 th Gr Graduation
	4 th & 5 th Gr Market Place in PM		Last Day of School & Early Release 12:35
	All Library books due back today!		

Our Mission: We are a Community School united in our relentless commitment to academic and personal growth for every student.

Principal Thoughts

Where has the school year gone? Just 10 short months ago kindergarteners were walking in the building for their first year of public school. At this same time many of our 8th graders were entering their 9th year at Tumalo and just starting to think about high school. 8th graders are now about to start a new and exciting chapter in their lives at high school, and kindergarteners will be ready for 1st grade in the fall.

This was a year that will stick in my memory banks as we dug and dug out of the snow to get ready for school only to be followed with concerns about the snow load on our roof! I want to personally thank all of you for your patience and understanding as we worked to keep all of our students and staff safe. Through all the interruptions, our teachers and staff were ready and prepared to provide high quality instruction to our students. I firmly believe all of our students will be ready to take on their next grade level when summer rolls back into fall.

It is my goal to promote and provide a wide range of educational opportunities to our students that fall outside the four walls of the classroom. I wanted to share just a few of the events and highlights from the year and thank our PTC for the financial support with many of these opportunities:

- Outdoor Experiences for K-8th graders—Pumpkin Patch, Downtown Bend, Tumalo Reservoir, Oregon Zoo, High Desert Museum, Sunriver Nature Center, Sunriver Observatory, OMSI (3rd grade), Camp Hancock(4th grade) and Camp Tamarack(5th grade).
- K-5 Science School organized by Mr. Variel and run by middle school students and staff. (This happened Tuesday--please ask your child about the experience).
- 3rd-8th grade students are taking Smarter Balanced assessments in ELA (Reading/Writing) and math. Our students are working incredibly hard and I'm excited to see their improvement and growth!
- Literacy Nights.
- Title 1 Dad's Breakfast.
- Storyline Culminations.
- 1st-5th after school academic clubs for reading and math culminating with a family BBQ.

- A strong middle school sports program that continues to grow and develop as our 7th grade girls and 6th grade boys were Small School District Track Champions this year!
- Ropes Course.

I've personally witnessed the academic, behavioral and social growth of our students over the course of the year. I appreciate all the community support and volunteers who have helped us make this a wonderful year at Tumalo Community School. Finally, I'd like to thank all the students at Tumalo School for their hard work, perseverance and commitment to learning!

We have three staff members who won't be returning next year and I wanted to publically thank them for their commitment to the students, staff and community at Tumalo Community School!

- Laurie Thomas has announced her retirement from her front office position and will now be able to spend more time with her five young grandchildren along with having more time to quilt. Laurie has been at Tumalo for 23 years and her dedication, experience and commitment to Tumalo Community School will be missed!
- Coleen Varco has announced her retirement from her ERC position after 18 years at Tumalo. Coleen will now have more time reading, gardening and relaxing. Coleen's calm and kind personality will be missed throughout our building.
- Andrea Nelzen has resigned her Instructional Assistant position. Andrea has taught Walk to Read groups the last couple years along with acting as our PTC president. I appreciate Andrea's commitment to Tumalo students through her role as an employee and through the PTC. I wish Andrea all the best moving forward.

I want to wish everyone a fun, relaxing and safe summer break!

Sincerely,

Justin Nicklous

Tumalo School Principal

Survey Update:

Parents/Guardians, I want to thank all of you for your input on our school survey this year, as over half of our parents submitted responses. I can't thank you enough for the positive and valuable feedback. I'm confident about the work we do and the quality of education we deliver to your children but I never want myself or my staff to get complacent. My leadership team and I have been reviewing the data from the survey and looking for ways to make improvements to our classrooms, programs and Tumalo Community School as a whole. One area that shined through as a concern was our drop off and pick up area out back. I've already been in contact with our head of Facilities and will continue to work toward potential solutions.

Thanks again,

Justin Nicklous

Sports News

What an eventful and fun spring for our students at the Tumalo School. We've completed rollerblading, archery, the ninja warrior course, track and field and are on to field day!

Field Day for the Tumalo School will be held on June 15th. The sessions are as follows:

10:30-12:20 4th-8th

12:30-1:20 Kindergarten

1:30-3:20 1st-3rd

**Please remember sunscreen, a water bottle and a change of clothes if you are in the morning session. If the weather cooperates we will be getting wet. :)

We would love to have volunteers for our field day. It's a carnival style day, water slides, sprinklers and bounce houses galore! If you are available to come manage a station or just monitor the crowd it would be very much appreciated. Please email me for further inquiries.

Corrie Hopper

AD & PE Teacher Extraordinaire

Information from the office...

Report cards will be available for pick-up from June 20th through the 23rd. Please stop by to pick your student's up & help us save on postage expenses.

Notes from the Nurse:

Hello Tumalo Families,

The end of the school year is quickly approaching, and with that comes many outdoor events. Remember that your students are allowed to bring sunscreen and wear protective clothing, including hats, while participating in outdoor activities during the school day.

For those of you, who have students with medication on file in the office; please make sure you stop by to pick it up. We cannot hold medication over to the next year, this includes both over-the-counter and prescription medications. I know that some of these items are very costly, so I want to make sure they are not tossed out.

I hope you all enjoy the last few days of the school year, and have a great summer!

Nurse Megan

Megan Donahue, RN, BSN

School Nurse

Library News**2016 – 2017 A/R Winners**

The classes with the most tests passed are Mrs. Black's Class with Mrs. Germak's Class (runner up). The class with most points earned is Mrs. Conte's. The Class with most words read is Mr. Ausfahl (14,398,972). The student with most tests passed Wyatt M. in Mrs. Black's Class. The student with most points is Ryan in Ms. Guthrie's Class and the students with the most words read is Ryan (2,809,581) & Sydney (2,122,007). Individual Grade/Class Winners are Willa, Brooklynne, Ben H., Caydence M., Aiden C., Grayson H., Gage, Lucie, Delaney, Violet, Evelyn & Neve. Students may pick out a prize in the library and the winning classes will have a reward party in the library.

JocAnn Watson Lay

Humble Librarian

Minecraft Camp

Will be held here this summer from August 1st – 5th 9:00-3:30. The cost is \$350 and there are a few spots still available. If you're interested visit www.minecrafercamp.com to sign up.