



TIGER NOTES!

March Newsletter, 2016

A message from your Principal ~

Fellow Parents:

March, "In like a lamb, out like a lion." The phrase is time honored about the rapid changes that occur in spring and especially in March. The end of winter is upon us and the beginning of the new growth of spring becomes visible. So far, after a long and snow packed winter, we are heading into a mild start of spring this March. As I wander around the amazing area we all call home, I am seeing trees budding out transforming our orchards, calving in progress and all the hope and promise of new life that goes with that, hay fields and yards starting to 'green up,' and snow pack in the high country linger, which is a symbol both of what was, and hope for extending the green into summer.

Tonasket Middle School is heading into its spring as well. As we start March, we are beginning 'like a lamb.' Quietly planning for our kids success, but we will be sending our kids out of March with some truly remarkable milestones, of 'Lion' like growth.

March 1-5, Missoula Children's Theatre will be in Tonasket bringing the gift of acting and theater to our students.

March 12, We will be sending our first ever group of students to the Science Olympiad. This hands on science contest further grows our efforts of excellence in STEM education.

March 17 and 18, Staff members from TMS will be trained as 7 *Habit* Facilitators and we will be able to begin the process for partnerships with our community and parents in *the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*.

March 22-25, We will be hosting *Spring Student Led Conferences*. In the fall you and your students met with us to set goals for learning and personal growth. It is time to celebrate that growth in our students!

March 31, From 8:45 to 11:45 a.m. we are hosting our first ever *Leadership Day*. This day is a celebration of the work our students have been doing to take ownership of their learning and take ownership of their lives. The students will show their amazing talents as groups, classes and individuals, allowing us to celebrate them. We would love for you to attend! Please see the attached invitation to confirm that you are coming.

We know that this time of year is one that is always filled with hope, energy and excitement. Please partner with us and add your joy, hope, energy and excitement to ours, supporting our students here at TMS.

Unleashing Greatness,

Jay Tyus, Principal
Tonasket Middle School



Calendar of events

Mar. 1 – Missoula Children's Theatre rehearsal 3:30-8:00 p.m.

Mar. 2 – Missoula Children's Theatre rehearsal 3:30-8:00 p.m.
Read Across America, Dr. Suess's Birthday

Mar. 3 – Missoula Children's Theatre rehearsal 3:30-8:00 p.m.

Mar. 4 Missoula Children's Theatre rehearsal 3:30-8:00 p.m.

Mar. 5 – Missoula Children's Theatre present *Jungle Book*, two showings - 3:00 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Mar. 6 – National School Breakfast Week Begins

Mar. 9 – Early Release, 12:25 p.m.
AWSL Leadership Conference for ASB

School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Mar. 11 – Tiger Band Fundraiser, Dinner & Show

Mar. 13-19 – Classified School Employees Week

Mar. 13 – Daylight Savings begins

Mar. 17 – St. Patrick's Day

Mar. 16 – PAC Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

Mar. 20 – First Day of Spring Girls Basketball @ Oroville, 5:00 p.m., bus leaves @ 3:45 p.m.

Mar. 22-25 – Student Led Conferences

Mar. 23 – Early Release, 12:25 p.m.

Mar. 25 – Good Friday

Mar. 27 – Easter

Mar. 30 – School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Mar. 31 – Leadership Day

GO TIGERS!

Tiger Band Fundraiser Dinner & Show

Come and support our young musicians! Fundraising event supports Tonasket musicians for the Lilac Parade and Festival!

Friday, Mar. 11, THS Commons Taco Dinner, 5:30 p.m.

Talent Show, 6:15 p.m.

Suggested Donation:
\$10 per person



PAC MEETING:

Exciting and very heartwarming! Nearly 100 adults were at our meeting in February celebrating the victory of 60 families who attended; sending the message to our children - future builders, leaders, artists, and much more. Thank you for your assistance, showing your children how important they are and at the same time the importance of school. In March the School Board will be attending our meeting. They will present on March 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the elementary commons. Remember, all are welcome!

MISOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE – JUNGLE BOOK:

Open auditions were held Monday, Feb. 29 and the show begins Saturday, March 5 at 3:00 p.m. and then again at 5:30 p.m.

All ages are welcome, fee is \$5 for ages 13 and older.

STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Student Led Conferences will be March 22-25. Look for more information coming home later this month.

SIXTH GRADE CAMP:

Sixth grade camp is quickly approaching – May 23-27.

The camp fee is \$50 and can be paid anytime between now and April, 2016. If there are any questions or problems please contact Mrs. Terris. 509-486-2147