



Traverse Mountain Elementary

Tiger Times



THIS MONTH AT A GLANCE

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Apr 16	TRYathlon Assembly	May 21-23	End of Year Testing Make-ups
Apr 17	Earthquake Drill 10:15am	May 21	Mr. Rocque's Open House 3-5pm
Apr 19	SCC Meeting 3:45pm	May 22	4th Grade Program
Apr 20	Box Tops Due	May 23	3rd Grade Assembly (12:45)and Program (6pm)
Apr 20	TRYathlon	May 24	Dance Festival 1pm
Apr 23-25	5th grade to Clear Creek	May 25	Box Tops Due
Apr 23	4th Grade Fieldtrip	May 25	PK Graduation
Apr 27	Tiger Buck Store	May 28	No school - Memorial Day
Apr 30th-May 16th	End of Year Testing 3rd-6th grades	May 29-30	Common Day 8am-2:15pm 1st-6th grds
Apr 30	Adobe Assembly 10:00am	May 29	Field Day
May 7	4th Grade County Reports	May 30	3rd Grade Breakfast
May 11	Tiger Buck Store	May 30	6th Grade Party
May 15-17	BOGO Book Fair	May 31	Last Day of School 8-9:30am
May 18	Tiger Buck Store		

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Can it be true that the end of the school year is near? We are looking forward to an eventful last 7 weeks of school. We are looking forward to our TRYathlon, 5th grade trip to Clear Creek, Buy One Get One Free Book Fair, Dance Festival, programs, and end of year testing. We recently had Teacher Appreciation Week and I am extremely grateful for the opportunity I have to be associated with such a great group of teachers. Because of them, I have found that I want to work harder and be an integral part of what they do each day with your children. Balancing a classroom of young students takes great skill, patience, and determination.

I want to thank wonderful and involved parents. We appreciate the trust you have as we strive to do all we can to make learning and school the best it can be for each child. Thank you to Rikke Kotter for serving 2 years as our PTA President. She has a wonderful way of making everyone around her feel valued and appreciated. Natalie Hill has done a superb job as chair of our school community council. We have made great plans for next year.

As we approach the important testing weeks, we hope to instill in the students a sense of accomplishment. We don't want to make them worried about the tests, but want them to do their best so that they can demonstrate how much they know and be proud of learning a lot over the past school year. Please encourage your child to be in school and do their best work.

We hope to see you out to some of the events planned!

David Stephenson
Principal



Tiger of the Month

Congratulations to those students who were named Tiger of the Month for the month of April! When you get a chance, check out the bulletin board across from the office and read more about our amazing students!!

Christian Jensen	His example encourages the other students to succeed.
Eliza White	Her desire to learn is evident as she always does her best.
1st Grade	
Amanda Paredes	Amanda has worked so hard to become a nice friend and an amazing reader.
Haddie Hansen	She always comes to school with a smile and puts forth her best effort.
2nd Grade	
Boston Malaret	He is always on task and obedient.
Claire Lomu	She is thoughtful and kind to all.
3rd Grade	
Anna Youngstrom	Anna is very creative and fun to be around.
Annie Edmunds	She never needs to be reminded to make good choices because she makes good choices the first time.
4th Grade	
Gabriella Telaroli	She is dedicated to her education and exhibits determination.
Michael Ellis	He has truly shown great progress this year.
5th Grade	
Eleesa Casey	She is such a joy to be around each day.
Jude Brand	He is very driven to do well in school.
6th Grade	
Bryttani Winward	She is always aware of others and includes them in everything.
Kaden Coursey	He is very respectful and kind to staff and students.

Volunteer Opportunities

The end of the year may be quickly coming to a close...but we still NEED your help. Please go to the following websites and sign-up to help at the TRY-Athlon and/or Field Day. Without the help of our AMAZING parents, we would be unable to pull off such FUN and EXCITING events. Thank-you for your support.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B084FA4A7292-tryathalon>

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4BA4AA229-field>

TRYathlon

Get Ready to TRY!
Traverse Mountain TRYathlon
Friday, April 20th

It's all about being active! Take the TRYathlon Week Challenge!

MOVE-IT MONDAY, April 16th

Find many different ways to keep your body moving today like: jumping, dancing, sports, riding bikes, etc.

TECH FREE TUESDAY, April 17th

Turn off the TV, computer, video games, Ipad, cell phones, etc. Make today a day free from all technology.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY, April 18th

Walk or ride your bike to school. Make sure to follow the safe walking paths outlined on the school's website.

THIRSTY THURSDAY, April 19th

Drink lots of water!

FAVORITE FAN FRIDAY(TRYathlon Day)

Wear your favorite team shirt or jersey while you compete in the TRYathlon! Please remember to wear "P.E." shoes and have a jacket in case it's chilly outside.

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There are two important deadlines coming up. The end of April and the end of May. The class that brings in the most box tops for the months of March and April will receive a pizza party.

Then the class that brings in the most box tops for the WHOLE year will win a pizza party in May. So keep those box tops rolling in. It is free money going towards our kids education!!

The ASD Special Education Department is pleased to announce its monthly parent night on April 26th from 6:30-7:30 at Shelley Elementary School (602 N. 200 W. in American Fork). The presentation topic will focus on anxiety and will be provided by Dr. Melissa Allen Heath, an associate professor in BYU's School Psychology Program. Dr. Heath researches a wide variety of topics that impact children and families and has taught a school-based crisis intervention class over the past 12 years. She is dedicated to strengthening support for children during critical and chaotic times. Her emphasis is on making information practical and easy to implement across settings by teachers, staff, and parents. Dr. Heath will discuss anxiety and ideas for parents to work with their children to create more positive outcomes at school and home. Please come join us. Refreshments will be served.

PTA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The end the school year is quickly approaching and I can't believe another year will be behind us! Although we still have a little over a month to go, I want to take this opportunity to wish each of you and your families a wonderful summer full of fun, relaxation and special memories. This is my last President's Message and the end of my time as PTA President. Although it seems just like yesterday when our School opened its doors for the very first time, we have accomplished so much, not only by building new traditions, but by uniting as a community. I would like to thank our awesome Principal Mr. Stephenson, the wonderful teachers, the dedicated staff, and all of the fabulous Traverse Mountain PTA members for a wonderful two years. The past two years has been one of the most rewarding experiences I have had the opportunity to have. I have truly loved being the president of such an amazing organization and am grateful that we have been able to partner with such an incredible Principal, to make progress and achieve success for which we should all feel proud.

I have enjoyed organizing and running our PTA and working with all of you each day for our children and our community. At times I saw my limitations and my faults too, but I tried to handle each challenge with grace and persistence! I have grown and learned so much over the past two years both as a person and as a mother through this PTA leadership position. I look forward to volunteering for the PTA in many ways for years to come and I am excited and pleased to know that we have such creative and capable leadership as we move into the 2012-2013 school year. Please continue to show your support to the PTA by joining next year. It is the largest organization that advocates for children, and is beyond fundraising and programs in schools. Once again, thank you to everyone for volunteering and offering support to me and the PTA. I truly couldn't have done it without you.

Rikke Kotter
Traverse Mountain Elementary PTA President



Download a Box Tops collection sheet here:
www.boxtops4education.com/Image.aspx?id=5240

Looking Ahead to the Summer	
Every Wednesday	Summer Library 9am—11am
8/21	First Day of School



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