



December
6-10
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Note from the Principal

Dear Families:

This week our 5th graders kicked off this year's D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program which is delivered to Triton students by Sergeant Carl Amsden. This is an important program that educates students about the realities of drugs and alcohol and how both can affect the lives of those who use them. Students will participate in this program on Thursday afternoons. At the conclusion of the program, a "graduation" will be held. We trust that D.A.R.E. will have lasting benefits long after elementary school.

Cordially,
Mrs. Cook

DIBELS Benchmarking

This past week students in grades 4-6 were administered DIBELS mid-year benchmarks. These are brief, individually-administered assessments that give us more information about how your child is reading and the progress they have made since the fall administration. Performance in each subtest in grades K-2 helps teachers target specific areas of reading for subsequent instruction. Next week, teachers in grades K-2 will be administering DIBELS on the following schedule.

- Grade 2 – Dec. 6**
- Grade 1 – Dec. 7**
- Grade K – Dec. 8**



Triton Elementary was pleased to accept a generous donation this week from the Builders Association of North Central Indiana for the purpose of helping our students have a warmer winter. Funds can be used to purchase coats, hats, gloves, or socks. If you know someone who would benefit from this, please call our office at 574-342-2355.

Trojan PRIDE T-Shirt Winners

Students earn tickets by helping others, showing respect, giving their personal best, improving their scores, meeting goals, following rules, showing kindness, paying close attention in class, and much more. We want students to learn and exhibit these lifelong qualities that extend beyond school and help make us people that others want to be around. Here are the T-Shirt winners from the November drawing.

- Kindergarten**-Lucas Kennedy, & Eviana Bontrager
- Grade 1**-Keely Hanby & Case Young
- Grade 2**-Declin Faulkner & Maggie Tapia
- Grade 3**-Gavin Bontrager & Jayden Long
- Grade 4**-Lillian Kreft & Anna Tarlton
- Grade 5**-Owen Feldman & Isabelle Rettinger
- Grade 6**-Aiden Smith & Max Johnson



- Personal Responsibility**
- Respect**
- Integrity**
- Determination**
- Enthusiasm**

Staying Healthy

It's the Season of Giving and Spreading Good Cheer, but it's also the season for flu and spreading of germs! You can help our school stay healthy by teaching children how to dress for the weather, wash hands well, and cover coughs and sneezes. As always, please keep your child home if they do not feel well or have a fever or vomiting.

Next Week's Menus

Breakfast

Monday, December 6

Pop Tarts, Fruit/Fresh Apple, Grape Juice and Milk

Tuesday, December 7

Berry Apple Crisp Bar, Fruit/Fresh Orange, Apple Juice and Milk

Wednesday, December 8

Variety Cereal, Fruit, Apple Juice and Milk

Thursday, December 9

Mini Waffles, Applesauce, Orange Juice and Milk

Friday, December 10

Cinnamon Streusel Muffin, String Cheese, Fruit, Grape Juice and Milk

Lunch

Monday, December 6

Chicken Nuggets, W/Dip Golden Corn/Mashed Potatoes, Peaches and Milk

Tuesday, December 7

Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Steamed Broccoli/Mixed vegetables, Applesauce and Milk

Wednesday, December 8

Hot Dog on Bun, Seasoned Green Beans/Baked Beans, Pears and Milk

Thursday, December 9

Pizza, Buttered Carrots/Lettuce, Mixed Fruit and Milk

Friday, December 10

Texas Straw Hat W/Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato and Black Olives, Chips W/Salsa, Fresh Fruit and Milk

All menus are subject to change.

Milk & condiments are offered with every meal. Salad dressing is served with lettuce and ranch dip with fresh vegetables. An Uncrustable and string cheese are offered daily as an alternate main dish.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. *Preschool students* will always receive Choice A as the main dish and the first vegetable listed above.

Upcoming Events

December 17-End of the Grading Period

December 20-January 3-Christmas Break

January 4-Students return to School for Second Semester

