



# TEMPERANCE NEWS

December 2017

## Attendance

I would like to thank all the Temperance Elementary School families for their help with improving attendance. To maintain our accreditation status we must maintain an attendance rate 85% or higher. It's very important for your child to attend school every day. If your child is ill please send a note when he or she returns to school. Thank for all your support!

## Canned Food Drive

TES will be collecting non-perishable items for those less fortunate this holiday season. If you would like to contribute, please send all items to the TES office by Friday, December 8th. Some of the items that we will be collecting are canned foods, non-perishable food items (rice, beans, etc.) and toiletries (toilet paper, soap, shampoo, tooth paste, deodorant, etc.). Thanks in advance for your help. Together we make a great team!

## Child Care - YMCA

Our YMCA program provides before and after school child care. Both, fulltime and part time (punch card) child care slots are available. Part time (punch card) slots are available for morning or afternoon slots. If you are interested in YMCA before and after school care at TES, please contact Mr. O'Brien in the TES office at 434-946-2811.

## DARE Essay Contest

Sergeant Louis Goldman has visited Mrs. Carter and her 4<sup>th</sup> grade class since September teaching D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education). The highly acclaimed program gives kids the skills they need to avoid involvement in drugs, gangs, and violence. Sergeant Goldman asked that each student write an essay telling about their experiences with the DARE program. This year **Kallie Falls** was selected as the DARE essay winner! Congratulations **Kallie!** We are very proud of you and your accomplishment.

## Evening with Santa

Please join us for an Evening with Santa on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. A pizza dinner will be provided along with activities and pictures with Santa.

## Inclement Weather

It is the season again for possible inclement weather that can affect school opening, delays, and early dismissals. If bad weather is in our area or strongly forecasted, we encourage you to follow the "Emergency Closing & Delayed Openings" procedures (located in the Student Handbook in your child's agenda). If you have any questions about school being open during inclement weather, listen to the local TV & radio stations. You can also call the ACPS "Hotline" at 946-9386, ext. 7, or visit the Amherst County Public Schools website at [www.amherst.k12.va.us](http://www.amherst.k12.va.us).



## Kris Kringle Shop

It's that time of year again...Our PTO is hosting its annual Kris Kringle Shop. Students will have the opportunity to purchase gifts for family and friends every morning, during the week of December 4<sup>th</sup>. All items can be purchased for \$2.00 a piece, and come gift wrapped. All money raised will go towards purchasing items for our "TES Angels". Thanks for your support.

## Calendar of Events

☺ **December 4-8**

Kris Kringle Shop

☺ **December 8**

Evening with Santa - 6:00 p.m.

☺ **December 8**

Canned food items are due today

☺ **December 12**

TES Winter Musical Performance, "A Party in a Pear Tree", grades 3-5 at 6:45 p.m. (students need to arrive at 6:15 p.m.) PTO meeting at 6:30 p.m.

☺ **December 14**

Theatre IV - Apollo to the Moon

☺ **December 21<sup>st</sup> - Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>**

ACPS Closed

☺ **January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Schools re-open for students

## School Web-Site

<http://tes.amherst.k12.va.us>

## Email the office

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The Students at Temperance Elementary School have been using the Accelerated Math program to review and reinforce math skills previously taught. The students earn 1 point for each mastered objective. The following students have mastered the highest number of objectives in their grade level for the month of November. Way to go students!!!

**3<sup>rd</sup> grade** - Aubrie Carter, Kaylea Burks, Lily Catlett, Clair Meeks, Simari Thompson, Kevin Hamm, Clarice Solomon

**4<sup>th</sup> grade** - Jeremiah Campbell, Madison Fitzgerald, Laura Coffey, Jason Cash, Scofield Wright, Lamarra Sales, Chelsea Torres

**5<sup>th</sup> grade** - Gavin Tomlin, Morgan Clark, Shaela Douglas, Nathan McMurry, Abigail Burks, Anthony English, Alexis Beam

### Musical Performance

Please join us on December 12, 2017, at 6:45 p.m. as Temperance's third, fourth, and fifth graders perform their winter program, A Party in a Pear Tree, in the Temperance gym. Students need to arrive at 6:15 p.m. We will have a PTO meeting from 6:30 - 6:45 p.m. We hope to see you there!

### Students of the Month

Congratulations to our Student of the Month award winners for the month of November. These students were selected by their classroom teachers for their outstanding performance in the areas of academics, attendance, and attitude.

**Kindergarten**- Audrey Canipe, Gnarly Tweedy

**First Grade**- Brayden Campbell, Harley Sprouse

**Second Grade**- Cheyenne Bailey, Harrison Stinnett

**Third Grade**- Greyson Canipe

**Fourth Grade**- Scofield Wright

**Fifth Grade**- Selena Garland



### Temperance Terrific Readers

Upon entering the school you will notice our Temperance Terrific Readers Wall. This wall will recognize students achieving 25, 50, 75, 100, 125, 150 and 200 Accelerated Reader points. Students have been working hard to complete Accelerated Reader test and we are very proud of them. Parental assistance has been greatly appreciated in helping student's achieve their "AR" goals. We would like to congratulate the following students for being recognized as the top "AR" readers for the month of November in grades 1 through 5:

**1<sup>st</sup> grade** - Harley Sprouse, Chelsea Wright, Brayden Campbell, Olivia Hughes, Isaac Painter, Brayden Viar

**2<sup>nd</sup> grade** - Harrison Stinnett, Emma Beam, Cheyenne Bailey, Isaac Hunter, Emily Clark, Emily Lewis

**3<sup>rd</sup> grade** - Aubrie Carter, Simari Thompson, Connell Thompson, Kevin Hamm, Lily Catlett, Kensley Waltz

**4<sup>th</sup> grade** - Charlotte Ulrich, Lilith Billings, Lamarra Sales, Dixie Campbell, Kallie Falls, Ace Adams

**5<sup>th</sup> grade** - Morgan Clark, Nathan McMurry, Christian Goughnour, Gavin Tomlin, Abigail Burks, Alexis Beam, Millie Tomlin



### Thank you!

Thank you Fitzgerald Farms, and Stephen Campbell for bringing pumpkins to all of the students and staff at Temperance.



**Mr. Michael O'Brien, Principal  
Temperance Elementary School**