

Tomahawk Elementary

NEWSLETTER



Parents/Guardians,

The school year is off to a good start at TES. It was great to not only have the students back in the building after summer break but to see the students interacting with staff as they listened to the Hatchet Pride Expectations in each of the different areas of TES.

I am so optimistic that we are going to have a great 2023-2024 school year. Please keep in mind that the school year goes fast, if you have any questions or concerns about your child's education let us know as soon as possible. Our number 1 priority is your child's safety and educational growth! If I can be of any assistance, please let me know!

Mr. Steckbauer

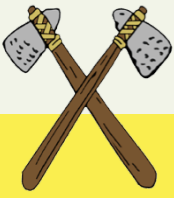
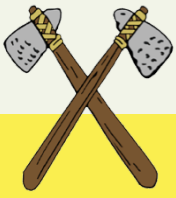
IMPORTANT DATES

September 6th-Picture day

September 7th-Picture day 4K
T/TH and for students who were absent on the
6th

September 15th- Early release day 1 p.m.





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Fall Picture Day is Coming!



School Name: Tomahawk Elementary School

Picture Day Dates: Wednesday, September 6 - Thursday, September 7

Picture Day ID: EVTF8RJGT

PICTURE DAY (DIRECT LINK)
Wednesday September 6th
Thursday September 7th

OFFICE REMINDERS

*DROP OFF TIME IS 7:50 AM
PICK UP TIME IS 3:15 PM*

*4K, KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE ENTER AND
EXIT DOOR # 10*

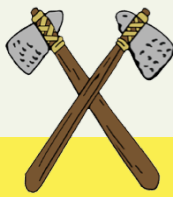
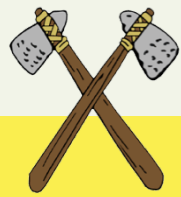
2ND GRADE ENTERS AND EXITS DOOR # 9

*3RD, 4TH & 5TH GRADE ENTER AND EXIT DOOR
8*

BRING WATERBOTTLES

SEESAW

*IF YOU NEED HELP CONNECTING TO YOUR CHILD'S SEESAW PLEASE CONTACT ANNETTE
STELTENPOHL IN THE ELEMENTARY OFFICE (715) 453-2126*



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Hello Families,

I hope you had a restful and enjoyable Summer Break. Why does it always go so fast?

As we look forward to the 23/24 school year, here a few reminders and updates:

- ~ Please encourage your student to bring a water bottle to school, they are not supplied through the office
- ~ Permission Forms for OTC meds can be found on our School Website and will be sent home with your child (on next page)
- ~ Immunization record updates (new immunizations or waiver forms attached below) are due to the office ASAP. The Health Office annual report must be submitted by 10/16/23. I am currently working with the Tomahawk Pharmacy to potentially offer a catch up clinic on campus, more information to come! (on the next page)
- ~ Student injuries that happen outside of the school day should be assessed by either a guardian or primary care provider. The Health Office will continue to see students for injuries that happen at school and assess when needed but should not take the place of a student's primary care team
- ~ Prescription medication that is to be administered at school requires both a parent AND provider signature (see the attached form). Over the counter medication must be administered per package instructions and requires only a parent signature
- ~ All Emergency Health Action Plans can be found on the Tomahawk School District Website under the "Health Services" tab
- ~ School staff will be working hard to keep students in their classrooms and out of the office/health office as much as possible. Please help us by enforcing that these areas are only for emergent or serious concerns
- ~ Bridging Brighter Smiles will be coming back to the district! TES will see them on 9/14/23, see the attached flyer for enrollment. (on the next page)
- ~ Students must remain home if the following apply:

I NEED TO STAY HOME IF...

I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE A RUNNY NOSE	I HAVE A PERSISTENT COUGH	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I have a communicable disease
Temperature of 100.2 or higher	Within the past 24 hours	With yellow/green discharge	Croupy Cough	Within the past 24 hours	Impetigo, ringworm, or body rash with itching or fever	Itchy head, active head lice or nits	Redness, itchy, and/or "crusty" drainage from eye(s)	Flu, Measles, MRSA, etc.
I AM READY TO RETURN TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM...								
Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication i.e. Tylenol or Motrin	Free from vomiting for at least 24 hours and have had at least 2 solid meals	On required antibiotics for at least 24 hours	Cleared by my doctor and have a note specifying my continued symptoms are not contagious to others	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours	Free from rash, itching, open sores, and fever. And I have been evaluated by my doctor, if needed	Treated with appropriate lice treatment at home and proof is provided that I no longer have lice or nits	Evaluated by my doctor, have begun appropriate medication, and/or have a note from my doctor stating I may return to school	No longer contagious and the incubation period for any communicable disease has passed

We're Going Back To School



Counselor's Corner : Easing Your Child's Separation Anxiety

Keep in mind the following points to promote a smooth transition for your child's school experience.

1. It's normal for a child to take time adjusting to school. Some children may even cry.

It's healthy for a child to express sadness over being separated from you. Many young children don't have emotional control yet, so they will cry when they are feeling sad. It doesn't reflect badly on your child or you!

There are different patterns we see. All of them are normal:

~Your child may cry hard right away. Most often, this kind of reaction subsides within minutes of the parents leaving.

~Your child might be fine for the first day or so but will melt down and/or protest coming to school after the newness has worn off. Sometimes, the child is still sad for a while after you leave and may cry a little in class. By getting absorbed in the classroom routine and activities and connecting with their teacher and friends your child forgets to be sad!

~Your child might not cry but may be clingier than usual or show an uneasiness about going to school. He/she is just getting used to being separated from you for long periods of time and is getting used to being in a new environment.

2. We are proactive in helping your child have a smooth transition by connecting them to their environment and to the people (teachers and peers) that they will be with everyday at school.

We balance a sympathetic response with getting your child involved.

~Say your goodbyes at the bus stop, or in the car. This is important because it sends the message right from the start that you are not going to be with your child while she is at school. A staff member will be close by to help guide your child into the building. Try to be on time for school so that your child does not depend on or get used to you walking him to the office.

~We will acknowledge your child's feelings and help to soothe him /her. Our teachers are excellent at getting their students settled.

~We get your child past the tears by actively getting him/her involved. Especially with our youngest students, distraction can be a very effective tool for easing a tough separation.

3. There's a lot that you can do to help ease your child's separation anxiety.

Children take their cues from the trusted adults in their lives.

~Prepare Your Child: Talk in simple terms about what you'll do at drop-off and how it will go. Come up with and stick to a consistent, loving, but short good-bye routine that works for your family. Examples: a pattern of hug-kiss-hug, funny rhymes (See you later, Alligator, Take care, Polar Bear, I love you sign, etc.

~Show Confidence: Show confidence in your child. An upbeat goodbye, with a smile on your face makes a BIG difference.

If you have any additional questions or concerns about separating from your child in the morning at school, please read out.



Start with Hello

During the week of September 18-22, Tomahawk Elementary School will be participating in a national call-to-action program called **Start with Hello**. This program was developed by the [Sandy Hook Promise](#) to help create kinder and safer schools. We will be dedicating this week to making new social connections and creating a sense of belonging among our students. **Start with Hello** is a way for our students to start noticing when someone is alone and then reach out with a "hello".

Hello Week Focus Days

Monday, Sept. 18 Meet and Greet Monday! Greet at least 10 people with a "hello".

Tuesday, Sept. 19 Upstander Tuesday! Reach out a caring hand to anyone being treated unkindly and tell anyone that is treating someone unkindly to "STOP".

Wednesday, Sept. 20 Wear Green Wednesday! Wear green as a symbol that TES students stand together to include everyone!

Thursday, Sept. 21 Trusted Adult Thursday! Thank at least 5 adults today for all they do for you!

Friday, Sept. 22 Moving Forward Friday! Include everyone today and everyday.

During Guidance Classes during the week of September 11-22, 2023, students will be learning to

1. Recognize loneliness and social isolation in peers
2. Help their peers who may be lonely and/or socially isolated
3. Grow an empathetic and inclusive community

The goals will be accomplished in a three step framework.

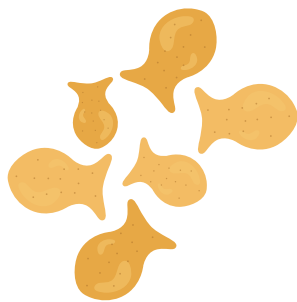
1. See Someone Alone: learn to recognize social isolation and loneliness
 2. Reach Out and Help: learn the benefits of helping peers who are lonely or socially isolated as well as strategies to overcome the challenges.
 3. Start with Hello: learn ways to help peers who are lonely and socially isolated as well as help created a more connected and inclusive community

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Denise Peissig, School Counselor, 715-453-2126 Ext. 174 or peissigd@myhatchets.org.

SNACK DONATIONS APPRECIATED

TOMAHAWK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IS IN NEED FOR SNACK FOODS FOR OUR TES KIDS.

IF YOU ARE WILLING TO DONATE INDIVIDUALLY PREPACKAGED SNACKS, PLEASE SEND THEM TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM OR THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OFFICE WITH A NOTE SAYING "EXTRA SNACKS". WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY!





When parents use Love and Logic in their children's lives, they dramatically up the odds that the teenage years will be fun instead of frantic. They also create responsible kids who will come to school ready to learn instead of ready to drive their teachers batty. Join us for:

Parenting the Love and Logic Way!

Learn more about how you can:

- ✓ Teach respect, responsibility, and self-discipline in your children
- ✓ Help your child to become a more disciplined student
- ✓ Calm sibling bickering and battling
- ✓ Put an end to misbehavior in public
- ✓ Smooth out your mornings and bedtime routines
- ✓ Show your children that whining and arguing do not pay

Who should attend?

- Parents, grandparents, care providers with students of all ages and Tomahawk school staff.

Childcare:

FREE for all participants ages three and up (must be potty trained)

Registration fee (includes training materials and a light dinner):

FREE for families and staff in the School District of Tomahawk

Dates of Sessions:

Monday, October 2nd	Week 1	TMS LMC	5:30-7:30pm
Monday, October 9th	Week 2	TMS LMC	5:30-7:30pm
Monday, October 16 th	Week 3	TMS LMC	5:30-7:30pm
Monday, October 23rd	Week 4	TMS LMC	5:30-7:30pm
Monday, November 6th	Week 5	TMS LMC	5:30-7:30pm
Monday, November 13th	Week 6	TMS LMC	5:30-7:30pm

Warm regards,

Mrs. Cassie Cerny, Mrs. Amanda Duncan, and Mrs. Allison Ewart

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Group Facilitators

Parenting the Love and Logic Way: Oct 2-Nov 13

Student Name: _____ Student's Teacher: _____ Parent: _____

Parent Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Will you need childcare? No _____ Yes _____ Names and ages of children: _____

Please complete the bottom portion of this form and return it to school by Sept 25. Reach out if you have any questions.