# Tomcat Times Tis the Season

## December 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It's that time of year – the holidays are upon us. I know that many of you are thinking of or are already planning a family trip for the holidays. As you begin to prepare for the season, I'd like to stress the importance of school attendance. Every year, we see the number of absences rise during the weeks leading up to and the weeks following winter break. We recognize that holidays are an important time of year for families to reconnect, especially if they live in another state or country.

As you plan for the holidays and are making travel arrangements, please keep in mind that the first semester will be ending on December 20th. These final weeks are critical for students, with final semester grades being posted on their academic transcripts. The second semester of school will begin on January 3rd and is just as important for students, as there may be many new challenges not only for our young people, but the staff as well in 2019.

This holiday season; continue to make education a priority and I want to thank you for your continued support and wish you a happy and safe holiday season.

Sincerely,

John Hurd

Congrats to our 2018 Cross Country Division III Boys Champion Qualifiers.

Trimble School District is proud of our Student Athletes.

Picture on right

Great Football Season 13 and 2.

State Runner-up OHSAA 2018 Division VII Football Regional Champion 2018 Division VII Football bottom picture





## Mrs. McGuire's Second Grade Class

During November's Right to Read Week, Mrs. McGuire's class, along with her student teacher, Miss Mangan, did the Russian folktale "The Enormous Turnip." They read several versions of the folktale and compared the different versions, they tasted raw turnips, each child made him/herself pulling up a turnip, and painted turnips to finish up the week. The children had a great time! See?







#### **JELLYFISH**

The class has been reading a non-fiction passage about "Jellies: The Life of Jellyfish" by Twig C. George. They made jellyfish and then took two tentacles and wrote a fact on each tentacle and then they took two other tentacles and wrote an opinion on each tenta-

cle from the passage. The children enjoyed looking at jellyfish in some videos to see how they moved and how interesting the jellyfish can be.





Art case at High School

## PROUD TO BE A TOMCAT

In honor of Veterans' Day this year, the 5th grade classes created an event called "11 Days of Giving" in an effort to collect at least 111 items to be donated to the Chillicothe VA Medical Center. They are very pleased to share the news that the goal was exceeded by over 400 items. The 5th grade teachers would like to thank the families of our students for being so generous.

## **Poetry night**

The Trimble High School PAC held its 7th annual Poetry Night in the Tomcat Cafe in November. The event is in its 8th year. Poetry Night first began as an outreach program by the THS English Department and was held at the Glouster Public Library. The PAC took over the event in 2012.

This event, open to the public, features poetry readings, a light meal, hot tea and D'Orleans style coffee! It offers a quaint atmosphere for people of all ages! The poetry read ranges from published works to originals by students and Trimble community member We have a lot of talent in Glouster.

Poetry Night showcases our creativity! We hope for you to join us next fall.

Notice the hand drawn picture by a student of Marilyn Monroe in the art case. Her eyes follow you.

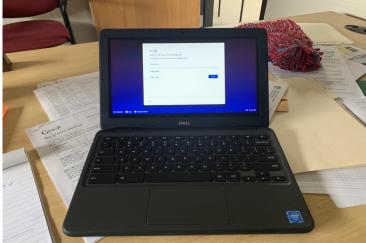
The 2018 Winter Book Fair was a great success as we surpassed last year by \$200! A total of 380 transactions were done and we had a grand total of \$3736.98 in merchandise sales. The library received \$2055.34 in Scholastic Dollars to purchase new books. A big thank you to those students who came down to help move chairs and benches for set up and tear down. Your help was much appreciated! 2019 Spring BOGO Book Fair will be held April 1-5, 2019. More information in the future.

Trimble School District has a new 2019 Ford 250 Maintenance Truck.

Purchased from the Permanent improvement Fund.

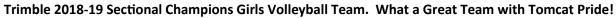






Starting in January of 2019 Trimble Local will be 1 to 1 with Dell Chromebooks. We are proud of the opportunity this will providing not only for our students, but also our staff moving forward. According to some of the latest research, children enrolled in school districts where there is a high correlation of computers to students enjoy many advantages. They include: Having ready access to a computer helps students personalize their learning, allowing them to learn at their own pace.

- Students typically express positive attitudes and greater confidence in their ability to effectively use technology.
- They are found to be more engaged, motivated and persistent when 1:1 technology is deployed throughout their school.
- Students' technology and problem-solving skills are improved and their ownership of their learning typically increases.
- Through the use of email, Google Docs and other shared or monitored applications, student-teacher communications often improve. It's also been found that parental engagement increases as parents can see more of what their children are learning.





## 2018-2019 Ohio Model United Nations Update

The 2018 Ohio Model United Nations (OMUN) was held December 2-4 in Columbus. Trimble High School sent 22 students representing four nations to the three day event. Tori North received the Outstanding Delegate award for Trimble. Students enjoyed the experience and are looking forward to next year as they have chosen four nations that they will be representing at the 2019 OMUN. The OMUN members would like to thank everyone for their support. A very big "Thank You" to Mr. Hurd and the support he has provided for the OMUN members by helping to find funding to providing a bus for the journey to and from Columbus. We appreciate the support!



Representing Costa Rica: (from left to right) Jack Nagucki, Mady Murphy, Peyton Spencer, Aundrea Waldeck, Kelsey Nelson, Connor Huston



left to right) lan Spencer, Jayanna Smith, Riley Wright, Karly



Representing Uzbekistan: (from left tor right)

Riley Campbell, Jayne Six

#### Cheyenne Williams

Max Hooper,

**Todd Fouts** 



Representing Kiribati: (from left to right) Blake Guffey, Laikyn Imler, Sophia Ives, Tori North, Sam Ives



2018 OMUN Students: (left to right, back row) Connor Lenigar, Briauna Osborne, Sophia Ives, Peyton Spencer, Jack Nagucki, Sam Ives, Jayne Six, Ian Spencer, Max Hooper, Blake Guffey, Jayanna Smith, Aundrea Waldeck (left to right, front row) Laikyn Imler, Todd Fouts, Connor Houston, Riley Campbell, Karly MaLaughlin, Cheyenne Williams, Riley Wright, Tori North, Kelsey Nelson, Mady Murphy

## **Very important dates for Trimble School District**

There will be a mandatory College Credit Plus Meeting held on January 23rd at 6:00pm in the High School Library. Any student in grade 6-11 this school year who is interested in applying to take College Credit Plus courses next year must attend the mandatory meeting to obtain more information. There will be representatives from Hocking College, Ohio University, and Washington State Community College to assist in answering questions and discuss the application and admissions process for their institution. If you have any questions prior to the meeting please contact Mr. Curtis or Mrs. Thomas.

## **High School**

- December 13th Blood Drive
- Dec. 21st End of 1st Semester; Beginning of student break. Teacher In -service / No Students.
- January 2nd Teacher In-service / No Students.
- January 4th, Report cards go home.
- January 21st , Monday No School

## Middle School

- Mon. Dec. 17th, 2nd Qtr. Behavior Reward / Roller skating
- Thursday December 20th Holiday Trip Movie (Mary Poppins)
- Thursday December 20th PAC Dance 3:30 to 5:30.pm
- Friday December 21st -beginning of student break, first day return is Thursday January 3rd
- Friday 12/21 and Wednesday 1/2/19 Teacher In-service.
- Friday Jan. 11th AFTERNOON MS Awards Assembly for 2nd quarter (Elementary will be AM)
- Monday January 21st No School

## **Elementary School**

- Tuesday December 18th 2nd qtr. Behavior reward. Grades 1-5 Burr Oak Lodge.
- Friday December 21st beginning of student break, first day return is Thursday January 3rd
- Friday 12/21 and Wednesday 1/2/19 Teacher Inservice.
- Friday Jan. 11th MORNING ELEMENTARY
   Awards Assembly for 2nd quarter (Middle will be PM)
- Monday January 21st No School

Just a little note to say from all of the staff here at Trimble School District we wish you the best Holiday Season. We thank you so much for all of your support. As it has been said many times, we are the little community with a BIG heart!

As we get ready to enter the new year, please keep in mind all of the wonderful fun, and memories we have had together this year. Here is to wishing you a wonderful 2019

