TMS HSA NEWSLETTER

Tenafly Middle School Website

SEPTEMBER 2016

Dear TMS Community,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! We are looking forward to sharing an enjoyable and successful school year with you and to enhance the partnership between TMS students, their families and the TMS staff and administration. We are very fortunate to have a parent community that generously supports our school, whether through fundraising, volunteering or sharing professional expertise.

The TMS H.S.A. email news system is provided as a service to all members of our school community who sign up to receive it, and is intended to provide a convenient way for parents to keep informed of all the significant happenings at TMS. In an effort not to overload your inbox, we try to limit emails to once or twice a month. If at any time you no longer wish to receive email alerts from the TMS H.S.A., simply send us an email at TMSHSA@aol.com notifying us that you would like to unsubscribe.

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TMS EVENTS / INFORMATION:

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT:

Wednesday, September 14th, 6:30-9:00p.m.: Attendance at this event is generally considered to be one of the most practical and helpful ways to become involved in your child's education and all parents are strongly encouraged to attend.

Wednesday, September 14th, 6:00p.m.: 6th Grade Parents Reach Out Meeting in the Auditorium. We will be discussing all the specifics for the 6th Grade overnight trip to Club Getaway Outdoor Education Center in Kent, CT.

H.S.A. DUES:

Our annual dues drive is now underway! You will be receiving your dues envelope in the mail, which you can send or deliver to the school, or bring to the HSA table at Back-to-School night.

We are happy to be able to maintain the dues amount at $35/family, and we encourage all parents to pay their HSA dues. Annual contribution of dues and other monies raised, via fundraisers, will be used to support many TMS programs and activities, including student planners, the TMS directory, cultural arts and curriculum-based assemblies, new clubs, scholarships for school-sponsored trips and events, social events (such as the 6th grade Halloween & the 8th grade yearbook parties), and the 8th grade promotion reception. Additionally, annual dues and fundraising enable us to provide teachers with a stipend to enhance their classroom. We thank you in advance for your support!

MAGAZINE SALE:

The Magazine Sale begins Tuesday, September 27th with Kick-Off Assemblies for the students. Please take a moment to review the information packets/order forms that will be sent home via your child. Whether your child is in Grade 6, 7 or 8, a percentage of the proceeds from your child's individual sales will be applied to lower the price he/she is charged for the 8th Grade Trip. For more information or if you would like to volunteer to help with the Magazine Sale, please contact our Magazine Sale Chairs Mary Catona maccatona@optonline.net or Amy White amyrichert@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER 2016:

6	First day of school
7	PASET Meeting 9 a.m., Tenafly Diner (Parent Association for Special Education in Tenafly)
7	SEPAC Meeting 10 a.m., 500 Tenafly Road (Special Education Parent Advisory Council)
13	BOE Meeting 8 p.m., 500 Tenafly Road

13	TEF Meeting 7:30 p.m., TMS Library
14	Grade 6 Parent Meeting re: Reach Out Trip 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Auditorium
14	Back to School Night 6:30 p.m.
22-23	Grade 6 - Reach Out Trip to Club Getaway
27	H.S.A. Magazine Sale Kick Off
27	BOE Meeting 8 p.m., 500 Tenafly Road
29	TMS Student Club Fair, 3 p.m., Gym
30	H.S.A. Magazine Collection During School Lunches

LOOKING AHEAD OCTOBER 2016:

3 - 4	Schools Closed - Rosh Hashanah
3 - 7	Week of Respect
5	PASET Meeting 9 a.m., Tenafly Diner
5	SEPAC Meeting 10 a.m., 500 Tenafly Road
6	Picture Day
7	H.S.A. Magazine Collection During School Lunches
10	Early Dismissal - 12:20 p.m. (Professional Day)
12	Schools Closed - Yom Kippur
14	H.S.A. Magazine Collection During School Lunches
17	H.S.A. Open Meeting Cafeteria 9 a.m.
17	CAP Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - THS Library/Media Center
17 - 21	Violence Awareness Week
18	BOE Meeting 8 p.m., 500 Tenafly Road
19 or 20	TBC Evening Presentation for Week of Respect, TMS Auditorium
26 - 27	Book Fair
31	HSA Grade 6 Halloween Social 3 to 4 p.m., Gym

We hope you found this email alert helpful and encourage everyone to get involved in the H.S.A. We can't make a difference without you! If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please send us an email at TMSHSA@aol.com.

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