

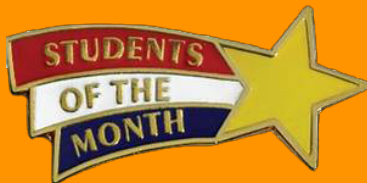


NEWS

Thompson Middle School

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NOVEMBER 11, 2018

The military men and women who serve and protect the U.S. come from all walks of life; they are parents, children, grandparents, friends, neighbors and coworkers, and are an important part of their communities. Here are some facts:

- Veterans Day occurs on November 11 every year in the United States.
- 16.1 million living veterans served during at least one war.
- 5.2 million veterans served in peacetime.
- 2 million veterans are women.

To help celebrate our veterans, TMS will have an assembly Thursday, Nov. 8th at 8:30 which will include the Symphonic Band performing "*Marches of the Armed Forces*" and "*Epic Venture*"

The assembly will be in the gym and parents are invited to attend.

In honor of Veterans Day, school will be closed Monday, November 12th.



DID YOU KNOW?

- * Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey to be the national bird.
- * Americans eat 46 million turkeys each Thanksgiving.
- * Neil Armstrong & Buzz Aldrin's 1st meal in space was a foil packet with roasted turkey.
- * The heaviest turkey on record, according to Guinness, weighs 86 lbs.
- * Californians consume the most turkey on Thanksgiving Day.
- * Female turkeys do not gobble.
- * The average turkey for Thanksgiving weighs 15 lbs.
- * Campbell's soup created green bean casserole for annual cookbook 50 years ago.



Wow! This year is moving along very quickly! Here we are getting ready for Thanksgiving, while at the same time listening to Christmas music.

As we prepare for the holiday season, it's easy to get busy and oftentimes completely overwhelmed. In fact, sometimes we don't even recognize the blessings in our lives for what they are, instead just taking things for granted. To help us sail through this season, we need to learn to slow down, take a deep breath, and realize we can do only what we can do, and be okay with that.

This Thanksgiving, giving thanks for what we have and for those around us, will help to give us a new appreciation for just how blessed we truly are, even in the worst of circumstances.






Wishing you a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving Holiday from your TMS PTO.

LOST & FOUND – COATS & JACKETS

The weather has slowly begun to cool off which means heavier outer wear. Students tend to leave their coats and jackets in the gym or cafeteria and forget to take them home at the end of the day.

Please remind your student to make sure to bring these items home each day and if any has been lost, to check lost & found.

Dates for the Calendar

-  11/8 Veterans Day Program & Reception
-  11/12 Veterans Day - NO SCHOOL
-  11/16 Progress Report sent home
-  11/20 Student of the Month Breakfast - Library 7:00 am
-  11/21 - 11/23 - Thanksgiving Break

URGENT REQUEST

PE is in need of plastic bags for students to take home STINKY, SMELLY, SWEATY PE clothes! 😞
PLEASE encourage your student to bring items home for washing!
Any student with a bundle o' bags gets a dum-dum!
Yum Yum

Sports & Club News

November 3, 2018

LOTS of news this month! If you would like to see your sport or club highlighted, please send your schedule and/or news to trisamout@me.com.

Have any old board games or decks of cards (Uno, Phase 10, Skipbo etc.) laying around collecting dust? PE would love to have them - something students play with on rainy days. Special thank you treats given to students who donate!



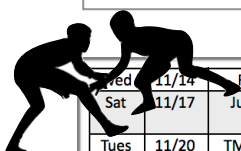
Soccer tryouts for boys begin Wednesday, 11/7. They will begin each day promptly at 5:00 @ LSS, so make arrangements for your player to be there and ready to play, on time!

As a reminder to all selected on teams (boys & girls), there will be a MANDATORY meeting Friday 11/16 and a deposit of \$250 toward Spirit Pack will be due.

Day	Date	Attending	Start	End	Location	Announcement
Wed.	7-Nov	7th-9th	5:00	8:00	LSS	N/A
Thurs.	8-Nov	10th-12th	5:00	8:00	LSS	N/A
Fri.	9-Nov	7th-9th	5:00	8:00	LSS	MS and Freshman
Tues.	13-Nov	10th-12th	5:00	8:00	LSS	First Varsity/JV Cuts
Wed.	14-Nov	10th-12th	5:00	8:00	LSS	Varsity and JV Teams



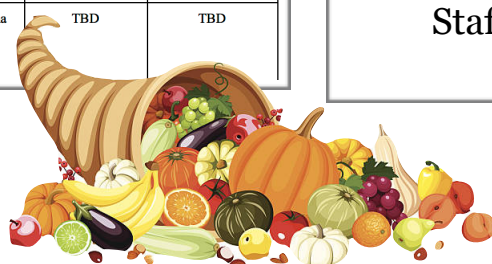
Journey Club is working to fill 40 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Club also sponsors a child through Compassion International.



Wed	11/14	Red and Black Duals	THS	5 PM	8 PM
Sat	11/17	Junior Swede Umbach	Auburn High School	9 AM	3 PM
Tues	11/20	TMS Thanksgiving Duals	THS	4:30 PM	9 PM
Tues	11/27	Pizitz/Liberty Park/Mt. Brook	Pizitz Middle	5 PM	9 PM
Tues	12/4	Hewitt Trussville	THS	5 PM	7 PM
Fri - Sat	12/7 - 12/8	Homewood Duals	Homewood Middle	(Friday) 5 PM (Saturday) 8 AM	(Friday) 9 PM (Saturday) 4 PM



November 6 LAST CHANCE TO QUALIFY FOR SECTIONALS	TBD (State)	TBD	TBD
November 16-17 SECTIONALS	Birmingham Crossplex (State) 2337 Bessemer Rd Birmingham, AL 35208	TBD	TBD
November 30-December 1 STATE	University of Alabama Aquatic Center (State)	TBD	TBD



SHOUT OUTS!



VOLLEYBALL

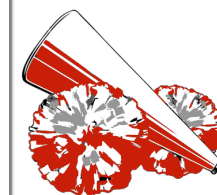
METRO Tournament

7th Grade - 2nd place
8th grade - 3rd place



National Jr. Honor Society

Sold 352 paper shoes to raise money for JDRF! Students participated in the JDRF walk Sunday 11/4.



CHEERLEADERS

North Alabama
Region
CHAMPIONS!



FCCLA

Thank you to our FCCLA who prepared Harvest Hash treats for our CNP staff, custodians, and office Staff, then delivered them on Halloween.



GIRLS SCHEDULE:

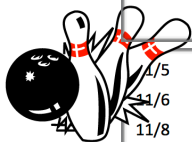
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
11/6	Tue	Irondale	Away	4:30
11/8	Thur	Claty	Home	4:30
11/13	Tue	Hewitt	Away	4:30
11/15	Thur	Liberty Park	Home	4:30
11/26	Mon	Oak Mountain	Away	4:30
11/29	Thur	Bumpus	Home	4:30
12/3	Mon	Simmons	Away	4:30
12/6	Thur	Berry	Away	4:30

BOYS SCHEDULE:

Nov 6	Irondale	Thompson	4:30 PM	5:45 PM
Nov 8	Clay-Chalkville	Clay-Chalkville	5:45 PM	4:30 PM
Nov 13	Hewitt	Thompson	4:30 PM	5:45 PM
Nov 15	Liberty Park	Liberty Park	5:45 PM	4:30 PM
Nov 26	Oak Mountain	Thompson	4:30 PM	5:45 PM
Nov 29	Bumpus	Bumpus	5:45 PM	4:30 PM
Dec 4	Simmons	Thompson	4:30 PM	5:45 PM
Dec 6	Berry	Thompson	5:45 PM	4:30 PM



Red Town, our TMS Choir, will perform at 3 home basketball games: Nov. 6th, Nov. 13th, and Jan. 17. Performance should be at 4:25



11/5	Irondale	Oak Mountain Lanes	3:45 PM	
11/6	Helena	Oak Mountain Lanes	3:45 PM	
11/8	Simmons	Oak Mountain Lanes	3:45 PM	
11/14	Liberty Park	Brunswick Zone Riverview Lanes	TBA	boys & girls
11/15	Berry	Oak Mountain Lanes	3:45 PM	
11/26	Helena	Oak Mountain lanes	3:45 PM	
11/27	Pizitz	Oak Mountain Lanes	3:45 PM	boys & girls
11/29	Baker Bash Tournament	Oak Mountain Lanes	10:00 AM	boys & girls
12/4	Mountain Brook	Brunswick Zone Riverview Lanes	3:45 PM	
TBA	Metro Tournament	TBA	9:00 AM Possible	



Preparations are under way for our Majorettes performance at the Christmas Spectacular!

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BAND

Symphonic Band will play at Univ. of Alabama Middle School Honor Band in December. Our band was chosen as 1 of the 3 bands selected from applicants across the Southeast.



FOOTBALL

7th grade was 5-3 this year!

8th grade won Metro tourney.

Both teams worked hard & played hard making great improvements. Looking forward to what next season brings!



ART CLUB

Miss Caldwell's 5th period class coordinated sale & delivery of "Boo-Grams" & raised \$215! Club also sponsored holiday cheek painting at America's Thrift Store.

METRO COACH OF THE YEAR

Congratulations!

Coach Glover
7th grade Volleyball

