

OCTOBER 2021

Tiny Trojan Update

Home of the Tiny Trojans!!

WELCOME

By **Adrienne Thomas**

Welcome to the new Tiny Trojan Update! The Trojan Update is still going strong and will be available on the TC website each month. The Tiny Trojan Update is geared toward the Elementary side of the school and our hope is to get the elementary students involved in looking at/reading the newsletter each month. We are including some articles for elementary students to read and some fun activities they can work on. When a student completes the activities in the newsletter and returns them to the school they can earn a prize! We hope you enjoy reading along and helping your student(s) complete the activities.

PRINCIPALS CORNER

By **Jennifer Berg**

As we enter Fall, I am pleased to report our Fastbridge testing for the Fall term has been completed in grades K-11th. Our interventions have been planned with help from our AEA consultant, Gary Jarmes (Mathematics). We are underway with our SEL (Social emotional learning) groups/individual sessions with our AEA Behavioral Interventionist, Amy Molyneux. This school year we are focusing on mathematics and writing interventions. Our secondary teacher, Vince Hrasky has planned our secondary writing interventions which all students in grades 7th-11th will be completing. Our 3rd-11th grade classroom teachers are incorporating writing tasks into their curriculum twice a month with timely feedback to our students on the writing process. These decisions were data-driven based on our ISASP scores and data analysis of our formative assessments. We are looking forward to growth in all of our students at TC.

The elementary students in grades PK-6th took a field trip to What Cheer Public Library at the end of September. They were given the opportunity to sign up for a library card with parental permission, learned about the resources available at our local library, and had a snack during their time at the public library. I would like to applaud Carolyn Becker for helping us with this trip.

Our secondary BIG BUDDY volunteers are eagerly assisting the elementary classroom teachers and students. I value this relationship and opportunity for both groups of students. It is a positive experience to have a BIG BUDDY in our elementary classrooms. The requirements for BIG BUDDY's are to have an open study hall period, remain eligible, and have no missing or late assignments.

Stay tuned for Fire Prevention Week in October. Remember to discuss fire safety with your children at home, have your child memorize their home address, and develop a fire safety plan including where to meet outside in case of a fire.

Lastly, our three year old preschool program has been welcomed with open arms. This is a great opportunity to have at TC and I appreciate the continued support.

Yours truly,
-Ms. Jennifer Berg



BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

By Gyasilyn Purdy

1st grade:

- Pete the Cat - Eric Litwin
- Arnold Lobel Books

2nd Grade:

- Vampires Don't Wear Polka Dots - Debbie Dadey
- Jory John books.
- Charlotte's Webb - EB White

3rd grade:

- I Survived Series - Lauren Tashis
- Dog Man - Dav Pikey

4th grade:

- The Best of Nancy Drew - Carolyn Keene
- The One and Only Ivan - Katherine Applegate
- Gentle Ben - Walt Morey

5th grade:

- Tuck Everlasting - Natalie Babbitt
- Where The Red Fern Grows - Wilson Rawls
- Number the Stars. - Lois Lowry

THE SPOOKY POKEY

To the tune of The Hokey Pokey

You put your foot bones in,
You take your foot bones out.
You put your foot bones in
and you shake them all about.
You do the the spooky pokey
and you turn yourself around.
That's what it's all about!

You put your hand bones in,
You take your hand bones out.
You put your hand bone in
and you shake them all about.
You do the spooky pokey
and you turn yourself around.
That's what it's all about!

You put your funny bone (elbow) in,
You put your funny bone out.
You put your funny bone in
and you shake it all about.
You do the spooky pokey
and you turn yourself around.
That's what it's all about!

Jokes **By Emma Lindley**

Why didn't the ghost go to prom? He had no body to go with.

Why is a vampire apartment so noisy? Because all of the coffin.

What did the horse dress up for Halloween as? A night mare.

What happens when you mix a deer with a ghost? You get a Bamboo.

TRIVIA **By Emma Lindley**

Who is the main character in 'The Nightmare before Christmas'? _____

What colors are candy corn, bottom to top? _____

When do vampires sleep? _____

What is used to scare off vampires? _____

ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

By Gyasilyn Purdy

Preschool-Jordy Little is so excited to be in school. She is a good listener and does a great job following directions.

Kindergarten-Emersyn Schmidt is learning to speak up for herself when she needs or wants something.

1st Grade-Milo Fogle has been making responsible, safe and respectful choices. Always willing to help a friend and try his best in class.

2nd Grade-Dax Tuttle is always safe, respectful and responsible in the classroom, the hallways and at lunch!

3rd Grade-Braxton Krumm is always willing to help out any classmates and has a positive attitude.

4th Grade-Aziah Jandrisovits has been super helpful with other students and is always ready to get to work.

5th Grade-Octavia Van Patten has done an excellent job getting her work done on time and being a good classmate to her peers.

6th Grade-Natalie Triplett is kind and helps others who might be struggling in the classroom. She works hard to stay current on assignments.



Jordy Little



Emersyn Schmidt



Milo Fogle



Dax Tuttle



Braxton Krumm



Aziah Jandrisovits



Octavia Van Patten



Natalie Triplett

\$40 EACH

21-22 YEARBOOKS FOR SALE!

Forms available in the office or they may be
purchased through your students
PowerSchool.

Finish the story!

THE CAVE

I was standing in front of the cave's entrance. Around the cave there were seven different signs warning people to "KEEP OUT!" I wondered what could be in there? I had a flash light so.....

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.

GUESS WHOOO

Read the clues and guess the spooky characters!
Either print off and use as worksheet or read the clues as a carpet time filler.



1. I have four of something.
 2. I can jump and leap.
 3. It is said that I have 9 lives.
 4. I have whiskers on my face.
- I am a _____



1. You can buy me or grow me.
 2. You can put a candle in me to light me up.
 3. Sometimes I can look scary.
 4. I am orange and round.
- I am a _____



1. I have sharp teeth.
 5. I like to drink a red liquid.
 6. I can turn into a flying animal.
 7. I sleep inside a coffin.
- I am a _____

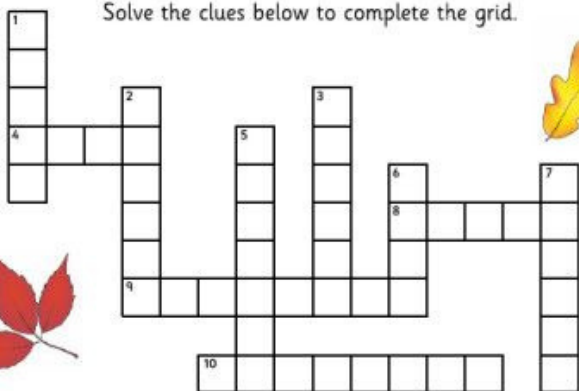


1. I have a pet.
 2. I can turn you into a toad.
 3. I can fly using a broom.
 4. I have a pointy hat.
- I am a _____



Autumn Crossword

Solve the clues below to complete the grid.



Across

4. Use one of these to tidy up fallen leaves.
8. Orchard fruit.
9. Furry animal with a bushy tail.
10. Spiky animal who can roll into a prickly ball.

Down

1. The seeds of oak trees.
2. They fall from the trees in autumn.
3. They fall from horse chestnut trees and are fun for games.
5. You might light one of these to burn leaves and twigs.
6. Another name for autumn.
7. One of the colours you might see autumn leaves change to.



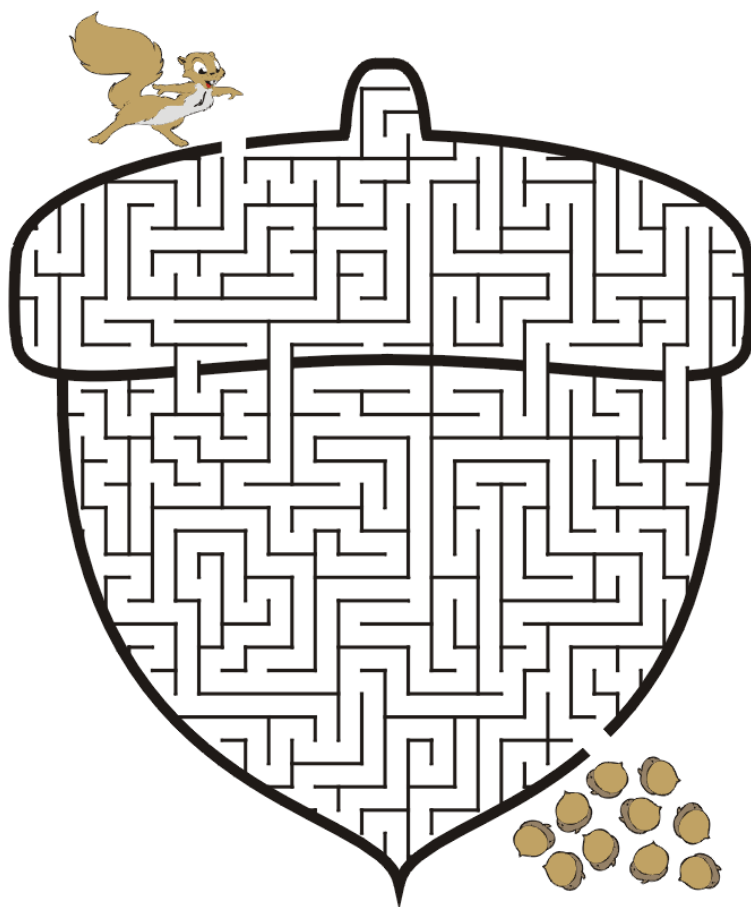
I SPY



How Many Do You See?



Help the squirrel through the maze to find its acorns



TINY TROJAN REMINDERS

By Gyasilyn Purdy

October is an Autumn month, meaning the weather usually starts to cool down. Please start bringing jackets or coats for outdoor activities and recess. Shorts aren't recommended during the colder parts of the year and we suggest jeans and leggings to keep you warm. Hats, gloves, and scarfs are great for days when it's really cold outside, especially when the playground equipment is colder.

On the topic of recess, you may have noticed new things around the playground. Remember to play safely and treat the playground, swings, and monkey bars with respect. Make sure to include everyone during games at recess and to play nicely. These are some easy ways to be a True Trojan during recess.

As most of you know, Halloween is coming up. Tri-County will be doing the Haunted Hallways again this month and we hope students will attend. On the night of Halloween we recommend walking on sidewalks, staying in groups or with family, and carrying a glow stick or other form of light. Please note that if a house does not have a light on outside or if there isn't someone sitting outside with a bowl of treats, they most likely won't be handing candy out at that house.

If your teachers allow Halloween parties and costumes this year, we'd love to see them! Please make sure your costume won't make you too cold with the Fall weather. Make sure to listen to your teacher's instructions for when and if you can put on your costumes. Halloween costumes must be school appropriate, so no fake weapons will be allowed at school. Have a happy Halloween season and stay safe!

TC'S PEER HELPERS

By Wesley Davis

This month I interviewed the peer helpers in the elementary school. Peer helpers are 7th through 12th graders who go to help out students in the elementary school during their study hall. The questions I asked the peer helpers were; what is your favorite part of being a peer helper, how do you help out the students, do you like being a peer helper, and would you recommend it to others? The peer helpers I interviewed were Reanna Rob, Gaige Mercer, Nevaeh Orr-Meyer, Ryan Schroeder, Zander Elwood, Alyssa Conrad, and Macy Schmidt.

Mrs. Berg started this program three years ago, and she plans on doing it every year. Unfortunately, she did not do it last year because of the pandemic. "I started the Peer Program (Big Buddies/Little Buddies) because I felt it would be beneficial to both the secondary and elementary students. The secondary students act as role models to our younger students and I wanted to encourage this partnership. Not only does it benefit students, but it also helps out the classroom teachers as well. " The requirements for the program are to be 7th through 12th grade, have a free study hall period, be grade eligible, and not have any missing work.

After talking with the peer helpers, most of them said they enjoyed interacting with little kids. Gaige Mercer stated, "My favorite part of being a peer helper is being a role model for the kids. " I am also a peer helper and I agree with Gaige. Some peer helpers said they helped their students with homework, math problems, spelling, grammar, and helped them understand numbers and letters. Reanna Robb stated, "I would recommend it to people who are mature enough to deal with children and who have patience. " Gaige said, "I would recommend it to people who are interested in the teaching field. "

When asked if they like having a peer helper, most of the students said yes. One said that their peer helper is their best friend. Most of the students said that they like it when the peer helpers help out. The peer helpers help them out with spelling, and get stuff done. Some students want to be a peer helper when they get old enough. Having peer helpers in the school is a positive experience for everyone.

APPLE PUMPKIN PATCH CRAFT

By Haley Thomas and Emma Lindley



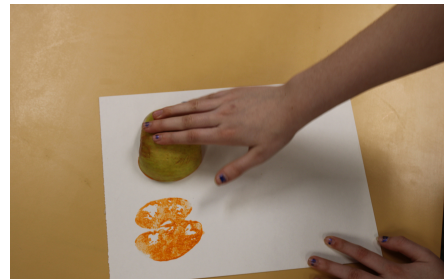
Supplies: 2 apples
orange paint
green paint
paper plate
knife
piece of paper
paintbrush
googly eyes/black
construction paper



Have an adult cut your
apples in half.



Put down some
orange paint on a
paper plate and
stamp one of the
apple halves into the
paint.



Stamp your apple halves
onto the paper, squish
them so the paint will
show then take them off
and repeat.



Use a bit of green
paint and a
paintbrush to give the
pumpkins stems.



Add googly eyes or cut
out some black
construction paper to
make a face . Let it dry
and you're done :D

If you would like, bring your finished projects back to school so we can proudly display them for you!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Name: _____

Grade: _____