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THE TFSS TIMETABLE

Period One	8:15 – 9:30
Announcements	9:30 – 9:36
Period Two	9:40 – 10:55
Period Three	10:59 - 12:14
Period Four	12:14 – 1:29
Period Five	1:33 – 2:48

Principal's News

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The report card which accompanies this newsletter indicates your son or daughter's final marks in the second semester. We encourage you to take some time to discuss the results with your child and plan for next year's success.

You will notice that your son or daughter's attendance is shown on the report card. Attendance is one of the most significant contributors to academic success, and one of the easiest factors to control. Simply put, students that attend school every day are MUCH MORE likely to experience academic success.

Commencement

Commencement will be on Thursday October 8th at Speranza Banquet Hall. Graduating students are reminded to update their profile online at <http://turnerfenton.gradu-8.com>. Last minute payments can be made to Mrs. Conn in North or Mrs. Nelson in South.

Sports

The 2008-2009 season resulted in another successful year for Turner Fenton athletics. Over 400 athletes and coaches attended the year end banquet. We are proud to recognize Puimika Fernando, Mark Gaudet and Alex-Andrae Anderson who were awarded the senior athlete of the year honours, while our junior athletes of the year were Ashley Deonarain and Marcus Coombs.

Jonathon Babulall's third OFSAA gold medal along with Marcus Bennett and Luke Roberts' first gold medals helped the Trojans win the overall OFSAA team and the boys' team championship for the first time in school history. Also making the podium were Shane Babulall, Andrew Dang, Steven Doan and Charlene Williams.

We won a total of ten individual ROPSSAA gold medals in track and field, swimming and wrestling and had numerous athletes qualify to compete at OFSSA.

The girls' hockey team won the York University tournament in February and in March we hosted our 6th annual Diversity Day basketball game with over 700 students coming out to support the teachers versus the Peel Regional Police.

In May four students from our triathlon/duathlon club competed in their first triathlon. We also had a team complete the relay and three more students competed at Guelph in June.

To finish the year our 4th Annual Fitness Week, Trojan Epic and "Raise the Board" fundraiser were successes. Our annual Fitness Week raises money to support our 700+ athletes and to improve our weight room and track facilities. "Raise the Board" is to help raise money for a new outdoor scoreboard. Sponsorships and donations are still being accepted.



Accelerated Reader & White Pine Club

School's out, but we can look back on a great year for our students' reading and literacy. The Turner Fenton Library provides a wide variety of reading materials for all of our student readers.

The *White Pine Club* enjoyed continued enthusiastic participation and we were treated to book readings by club members during our lunch hour meetings. Students like Jasim said the club was "fun and found it helped improve (his) grammar" and he liked the book prizes and meeting new people. A majority of our students voted for the provincial winner: Cory Doctorow's **Little Brother**. This was a riveting story about youths taking on corruption in the U.S. Government through computer technology.

Historical Expressions

Historical Expressions hosted Turner Fenton's Remembrance Day assembly, World Religion Week, Black History Month Gallery, and Diversity Assembly. We look forward to another year of showcasing Canada's diverse cultures and how they can work together to enrich us all. Great work everyone and thanks to our outgoing leaders!

Chess Club

The chess club had a late start this year, but we are going to come out strong next year. We have our leadership in place and will start off with a ladder and plan to challenge other schools in tournaments during 2010 - 2011. Hone your skills over the summer and come ready to play!

Friday Club

The Friday Club Improvisation Band performed at all of our school concerts and recorded part of this year's music CD at the recording studio. Adil Chattergoon and Charles Jian started the band last year and have led us through a range of challenging songs. Great work everyone and see you next year for auditions!

YOU NEED TO KNOW

Lanyards and Student ID

At school students are required to display their photo I.D. cards **at all times on a lanyard**. This I.D. must be **clearly visible** on the upper front part of the body. Students under 16 years of age who forget their I.D. must report to the office to sign out a temporary lanyard for the day. This lanyard **must** be returned at the end of the same day. Students over 16 will be sent home to retrieve their lanyard. Parents will be advised if their student is leaving the premises for this purpose.

Hats at TFSS

Turner Fenton is a hat-free school.

Staff Changes for 2009-2010

COMINGS...

Welcome to Ms. Stevens-Lay who joins us as VP in September. We also look forward to Petuli McKeown joining us as Head of Guidance and Paul Nerino will be the newest addition to Co-op.

GOINGS...

Congratulations to Ms. Kelley who will be VP at Heart Lake next year. We wish Mr. Tjanetis all the best in his new position at Stephen Lewis Secondary. Congratulations also to Mrs. Boone and Mr. McCourt on your retirements!

Thank you for all you have done to support the students and staff at TFSS! We will miss you.

Department News

This section highlights samples of our activities this semester. Our staff have been very busy working to improve student learning and exposing them to unique learning opportunities. In addition to the events and activities listed here, our students have been very busy in video-conferencing, academic competitions, unique class projects and numerous volunteer activities.

Math Department News

The Mathematics department has embraced a range of teaching tools to enhance student learning, including Smartboards, Clicker technology, NSpire Graphing Calculators, Algetiles, and more. In co-ordination with our feeder schools and colleges we are creating a continuum of education for all of our students from grades 6 to 12 and beyond. As a cutting edge Mathematics department, we have teachers conducting research in education and reporting back to our school board to share with other educators. Our teachers are constantly learning, through in-school professional development and through conferences with other educators across Canada.

Arts Department

Congratulations to all of the Arts Department students and teachers who worked so hard on this year's Arts Banquet, it was a huge success.

The Arts Department has been very busy this year. We would like to acknowledge some of the hard work done by each area. The Drama Department put on two major productions this year, both of which were well attended. Congratulations to the IAC on their hard work on the Arts Banquet as well as hosting a number of Bistro Shows. The IAC, along with the Art and Fashion Classes also put on a highly successful Art Show. The Music Department organized a number of concerts featuring the talented students of Turner Fenton.

It has been a great year and we look forward to continued success next year.

Science Department News

Congratulations to Shivani Dadwal on being selected to be a research scientist at McMaster University this summer.

34 IB Biology students attended the Huntsman Marine Institute in New Brunswick the first week of June. Students completed work on marine invertebrates, speciation and intertidal zones. It was an opportunity to explore biology of the Bay of Fundy and an opportunity to see another aspect of Canada. Plans are already in the works to attend next year.

Science Scholars had another successful year assisting the Junior students with scientific concepts. A special thanks to Ms. Highgate and Ms. Fong for their support.

Congratulations to Cathy Wang, Sugata Acharjya, Ian King and Catharine Tran for their performance on the University of Toronto Biology Competition. Special mention to Cathy who placed 250th out of 5000 entrants.

September Dates

Sept 1	Grade 9 Orientation
Sept 2-3	PD Learning Days
Sept 7	Labour Day
Sept 8	First Day of Classes
Sept 14-15	Photo Days
Sept 19	IBMC Conference
Sept 24	School Council
Sept 24-25	Josten's Ring Sales
Sept 25	Terry Fox Run
Sept 29	Gr 12 Destination Fair
Sept 29	Photo Catch Up Day

October Dates

Oct 8	Early Release
Oct 8	Commencement
Oct 9	Progress Reports
Oct 12	Thanksgiving
Oct 15	Parent's Night
Oct 20	Gr 12 IB Parent's Night
Oct 21	Photo Re-Take Day
Oct 22	School Council

YOU NEED TO KNOW

Electronic Devices

...cannot be properly secured at school. They are also a distraction to others. Electronic devices should not be brought to school. The school will not be held responsible for the theft, loss or damage of any electronic device.



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History Department News

The History Department is running two overseas trips during the next school year.

Europe

On April 29 students will depart Canada and head to Europe for twelve days to participate in official 65th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Celebrations.

Students will start their trip in Berlin, Germany where they will see Holocaust memorials, a concentration camp, Checkpoint Charlie and perhaps enjoy the ever popular curry sausage.

We will then make our way to Amsterdam, Netherlands where Turner Fenton will be paired with a Dutch school, participate in ceremonies and pay tribute to Canadians killed in action while liberating the Netherlands during WWII.

The final leg of our historic adventure takes us to the Paris region where we will catch all the key sights like the Eiffel Tower, Champs Elysées, and the Arc de Triomphe. Students will also have a chance to explore the Vimy Ridge battlefields and memorial where many historians agree our "nation was forged" in 1917. Before flying home we will visit Juno Beach where Canadian Forces landed on D-Day in 1944.

This is an incredible once in a lifetime opportunity for History students and is perfectly timed with their WWII unit of study. For more information on this trip visit: http://www.victoryineuropetour.ca/Docs/ENG_S10_VEB.pdf

March Break Trip to Egypt...One of the Seven Wonders of the World

Do you want to enjoy some golden sunshine during the dreary month of March? Are you fascinated by pyramids, ancient civilizations and a 3-day cruise along the Nile river? Then join the 9-day EF tour to Egypt for March 2010. If interested, please check the following website www.eftours.ca and enter the tour number 806350 under the "Students" section. The tour will be led by Ms. McCalden.

YOU NEED TO KNOW

Student Attendance

When a student is absent a Parent/Guardian will phone the school to give a reason for the absence.

Upon return to school the student will bring a note that is signed by a parent/guardian stating the reason and duration of the absence.

Students who arrive late to school will go directly to the office to sign in.

Moderns Department

Earlier this month, the Moderns Department held a celebratory farewell breakfast for its grade twelve Extended French Certificate Programme graduates. This programme provides a unique language acquisition opportunity for its students and creates a bond amongst them that will hold them together forever. Many of this year's graduating class plan to pursue their studies in French at the post-secondary level. All of them will be fondly remembered by their teachers. Au revoir les amis!

EQAO News - OSSLT

If your son or daughter is in grade 10, then he or she would have written the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) on April 2. According to EQAO, 84% of our students who wrote the test for the first time were successful.

Congratulations Turner Fenton students!