





Happy Friday! And, Happy New Year!

Our boys and girls were excited to be back at school this week. The laughs and smiles as they entered our doors on Tuesday morning were awesome and provided an upbeat way to transition back from the winter break. (Note: Our awesome PTA, two moms pictured above, provided our boys and girls with a *welcome back from winter break* sweet treat after lunch on Thursday. Thank you!)

As I visited each of our classrooms throughout the week, it was nice to see our students getting right back into their academics. From phonemic awareness to using analog clocks to using graphic organizers to prepare for text dependent analysis, our students were right back into it and eager to learn!

I'd also like to offer a huge congratulations to all of the students who have been participating in our monthly wellness challenges. Most recently, our December challenge was to conduct at least one random act of kindness per day. It was so heartwarming to read the variety of acts that each of our students conducted throughout the month. We will be back with a challenge in the month of February, so keep your eyes peeled to the Friday folder at the end of January.

Have a great weekend!

NOTES FOR FAMILIES

1. Here is [the menu](#) for school lunch through February 9, 2024.
2. As we are heading into the winter months, [here is a reminder](#) about weather delays and snow calls.
3. Visitors and volunteers are strongly encouraged! If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know. You will need clearances that are up-to-date. You can check with Mrs. Doerr regarding your clearances. If you don't have them, but need to get them, please use [this link](#).
4. Please consider nominating your favorite Tinicum teacher for a *Citadel Heart of Learning Award*. Nomination forms may be submitted by [clicking here](#).
5. Despite colder weather, we will continue to get outside for much needed recess as often as possible. Please ensure your child(ren) is/are coming to school with weather-appropriate clothing.



A PEEK INTO NEXT WEEK

Monday, January 8	Day 4	Coding Club at 3:30 PM
Tuesday, January 9	Day 5	Canal Cleanup at 3:45 PM
Wednesday, January 10	Day 6	After School Clubhouse at 3:45 PM
Thursday, January 11	Day 1	Gym Club at 3:30 PM
Friday, January 12	Day 2	Spirit Day: Tincum Pride! School Store during recess

Specials Rotation at Tincum:

Days 1 and 2 - Health or Physical Education

Days 3 and 4 - Library or Music

Days 5 and 6 - Art or Spanish

SAVE THE DATE(S)!

January 15, 2024	No school for students
January 18, 2024	End of the second quarter
January 19, 2024	No school for students
January 24, 2024	After School Clubhouse at 3:45 PM
January 31, 2024	After School Clubhouse at 3:45 PM

My best,

Dr. Michael W. Donnelly