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# TonkaOnline

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## Greetings, Tonka K-8 Families!

I hope you had a restful MEA break and a chance to enjoy the beautiful weather. We are nearing the end of 1st quarter and below includes some important updates.

We also have our November pick up next week. I have included the grade levels THAT WILL have material for pick up. If you do not see your student's grade level listed, that means there is not material to pick up this month.

As always, please reach out with any questions you might have!

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### Attendance Line

952-283-8127

### Family Helpdesk

952-401-5123  
familyhelpdesk@minnetonkaschools.org

### District Service Center

952-401-5000

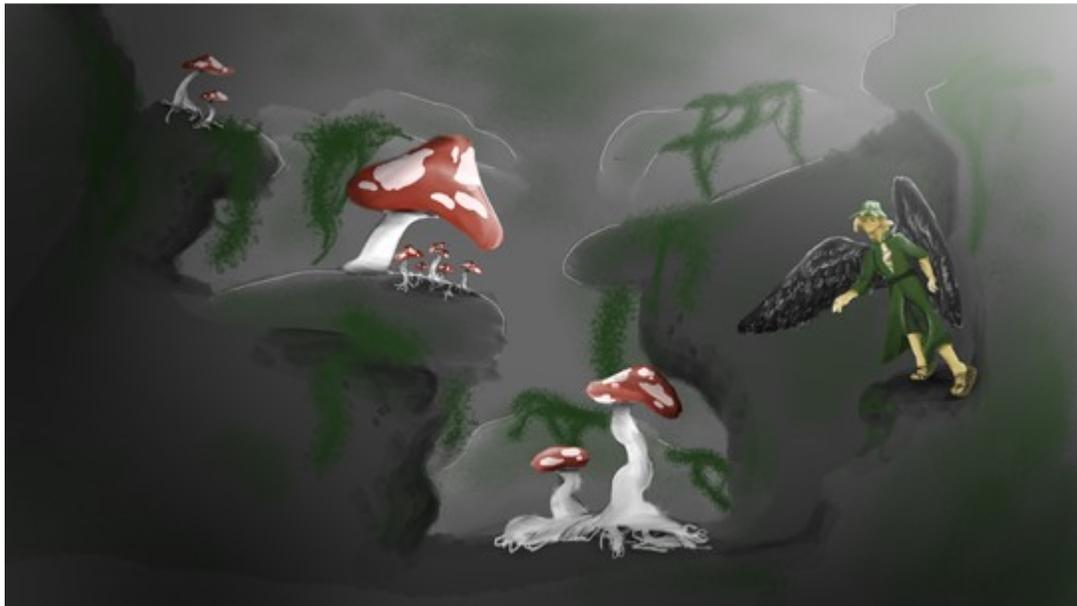
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## Important Dates

- **Nov. 1** - 2 Hour Late Start
  - **Nov. 4** - Material Pick Up and Picture Day! (District Service Center)
  - **Nov. 25 & 26**- No School; Thanksgiving Break
  - **Dec. 2** - Material Pick Up TBD - (District Service Center)
  - **Dec. 23- Dec.31** - No School; Winter Break
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## Tonka Online K-8 Student Art

Elizabeth, Grade 6



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## Quarter Classes - Grades 6 and 7

The end of the Quarter is Friday, November 11. In middle school, 6th and 7th grade students switch their wheel course at the quarter break. Specifically Quarter 2, which starts on Monday, November 15, will entail:

- Current 7th Grade Computer Science (CS) with Ms. Reed will switch to Family and Consumer Science (FACS) with Ms. Phillips for quarter 2.
- Current 6th Grade Family and Consumer Science (FACS) with Ms. Phillips will switch to STEM with Ms. Reed for quarter 2.
- Students can access their classes by using their teachers first and last name as their code:
  - Lisa Reed - lisareed
  - Heather Phillips - heatherphillips



## Wednesday WATCH for Grades 6-8

Starting second quarter, Wednesday, November 17, students in grades 6-8 will participate in Wednesday WATCH - a day designated to provide students an opportunity to work with teachers for small group instruction or one-on-one help. Teachers will identify and assign students in need of more support to attend the Wednesday Watch Session or a student can request additional support for any class(es). **All students will check-in for the beginning of class at their assigned class time** and students who will be working further with the teacher, as a part of Wednesday Watch, will stay online. For e-learners this day will replace the typical MAST structure used at in-person secondary schools.

## Material Pick Up

Material pick up will take place again at the Minnetonka District Service Center on Thursday, November 4 from 10am-2pm. The below grade levels WILL have material for pick up. If you don't see your students' grade level, there is no material to pick up.

**Kindergarten** - worksheets and science materials

**Kindergarten Spanish Support**- worksheets letter "A" and "E" vocabulary

**1st Grade** - worksheets, small group reading materials, cut and paste activities, science supplies

**1st Grade Spanish Support** - Senderos lesson 1 worksheet

**2nd Grade** - Nov/Dec/Jan writing packet, writing paper, math packets, science packets, and health packets

**3rd Grade** - cursive packet, science materials and time tests

## 6th Graders- STEM Kit

All students' materials will be bagged and labeled with their name for convenience. If you are unable to pick up during the scheduled time, please notify us at [k-8.elearning@minnetonkaschools.org](mailto:k-8.elearning@minnetonkaschools.org)

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## Pictures

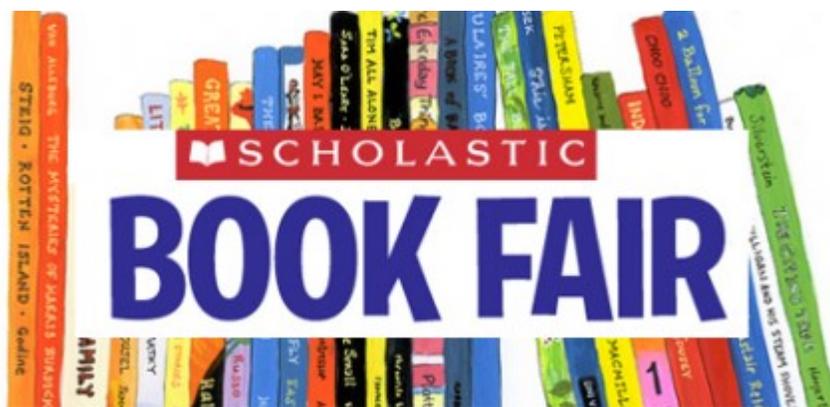


Picture Day is also coming up on Thursday, November 4. We are using Strawbridge Studios.

Pictures can be ordered online by visiting Strawbridge Studios [Click here](#) and entering the access code **FM374870**. You can place orders online. Different packages available to select from [HERE](#).

Please reach out with any questions you might have.

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## Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to all families who ordered books from our virtual Scholastic Book Fair! We raised over \$700 and proceeds from this event will be used for purchasing digital books for our Tonka Online K-8 classrooms. We appreciate your support!

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## Technology Information / Helpful Tips

As we continue into the school year, and if you are anything like me, you may be finding yourself asking, "How do I.....where can I find again....?!" The start of a new school year always brings about lots of information. For this reason, each week I will be sharing new technology information and/or helpful tips.

Below includes a few helpful links for navigating Seesaw and Schoology, as well as Tonka Tech Resources.

**Grades K-3: [Seesaw Parent/Family Guide](#)**

**Grades 4-8: [Schoology Parent Instructions](#)**

**[Schoology Digest for Families -video](#)**

**[Tonka Tech Resources for Families](#)**

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