

# T.M.S.S. November Newsletter

## Principal's Message

On the heels of the events of Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, much reflection has occurred and with it proactive actions and recommendations to refine our emergency measures practices. One particular recommendation was to provide clarity on the language used in times when emergency measure practices are enacted. It is our hope that such explanation will assist students, parents, guardians and community members in better understanding the degree of situations if they should ever arise again:

- **“Secure”** – Exists when a risk/threat in the community has been communicated, but there is no apparent risk to the school.
  - In such instances the exterior doors of the facility will be locked and regular operations will continue.
  - No people will be permitted in or out of the facility until advised to do so by Administration and/or Authorities.
  
- **“Secure & Hold”** – Exists when a potential threat to the school has been communicated.
  - The exterior doors of the facility will be locked, classes will continue as usual, but hallways are to remain clear until advised to do otherwise by Administration and/or Authorities.
  
- **“Lockdown”** – Exists when there is an immediate threat to the safety of the school.
  - The facility and classrooms are to be locked, and within classrooms, school safety procedures enacted by staff until advised to do otherwise by Administration and/or Authorities.

### Other items of **NOTE**:

1. In instances of “all” levels of emergency measures, please be advised that the school will communicate via e-mail on a regular basis, so parents are asked to please keep phone lines free.
  
2. Where students, parents/guardians approach our facility and the doors are locked, please exit school grounds and check your e-mail regularly for updates on the operation status of the TMSS.

## Calendar of Events

- Nov. 1** -Jr. Boys Volleyball Final
- Nov. 2** -Sr. Girls V-ball Conference@ Nipawin
- Nov. 5** -School Community Council meeting
- Nov. 6** -Sr. Girls B Volleyball finals
- Nov. 7** -Hat day \$1 proceeds to charity
- Nov. 8** -Jr. Girls A Pod Playoffs @ T.M.S.S.  
-Jr. Girls B Volleyball Pod Playoffs @ Melfort
- Nov. 9** -Sr. Girls Volleyball Regionals  
-Dress Your Best Day  
**-T.M.S.S. Remembrance Day Service**  
-Sr. Boys Volleyball Conference
- Nov. 11** -Remembrance Day
- Nov. 12** -**Remembrance Day- No School**
- Nov. 14** -Jr. Girls A Volleyball Finals  
-Jr. Girls B Volleyball Finals
- Nov. 15** -Camo/Blaze Orange Day
- Nov. 16** -Sr. Boys Regional Volleyball  
-Sr. Girls Volleyball Provincials  
**-Term 1 Report Cards**
- Nov. 20** -Mom's Pantry Distribution Day  
**-Parent Student Teacher Interviews**
- Nov. 21** -**Parent Student Teacher Conference**
- Nov. 22** -Rider Pride Day
- Nov. 23** -Sr. Boys Provincial Volleyball @ Melville St. Henry  
**-No School**
- Nov. 26** -Basketball Official Clinic, Room 104
- Nov. 28** -Dance Ticket Presale with free popcorn

## Talking About Cannabis

**Please note: cannabis possession, sale and use is still illegal. The official legalization date will be October 17, 2018 (Government of Canada announcement on June 20, 2018.)**

Cannabis (marijuana, pot, weed) comes from the plant, *Cannabis sativa*. Once grown, the leaves and flowers can be dried for use or made into oils, waxes and other products for consumption. Cannabis can be smoked in a joint, pipe or bong, or vaporized. It can also be eaten, brewed as a tea or made into skin lotions.

Although it will be legalized in 2018, cannabis use can still be harmful, especially for youth since their bodies and brains are still growing. This is the period of their lives when they may think about trying cannabis and may not be fully aware of its consequences. Children may also have many questions, and it is important that they have clear, accurate information to help them make healthy choices.

**GRADE 12 GRIT AWARD**

This month's GRIT Award goes to **Payton Casavant**. Payton exemplifies all 4 quadrants of Commit to Grit.

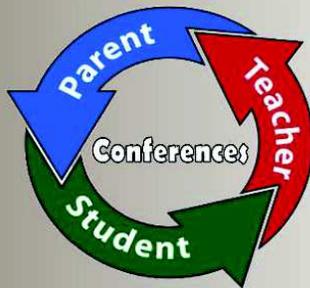
Payton is a caring and passionate young man. He always gives 100% and does so with a smile on his face.

He is thriving in his Career and Work Exploration placement. He works together well with his work crew and will make an excellent employee in his future work.

When the going gets tough, Payton just continues to persevere and make things work.

Congratulations Payton on embracing the COMMIT TO GRIT mantra.

**November 22 & 23**



**5:00 - 7:30 pm**

Grade 6-8 times will be emailed

Grade 9-12 times can be booked with each Teacher via email or call 873-2352

**Paperless Report Cards  
Semester 1, Term 1**

**November 17**

Rider Pride Day - November 22



Tisdale Middle & Secondary School  
*School Community Council*  
**Meeting**

**MON. NOVEMBER 5**

**4:30 pm**

**TMSS Staff Room**

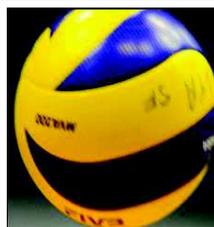
**Everyone Welcome**

**Sr Boys Volleyball  
Conferences @ TMSS**

TMSS Gymnasium

**Saturday, November 10**

**COMMIT TO G.R.I.T.**



**Sr Girls Volleyball  
Conferences  
@ Nipawin**

**November 2-3**

**COMMIT TO G.R.I.T.**

## November G.R.I.T Awards

### Grade 6 G.R.I.T Award

This month's GR 6 GRIT Award goes to **Graci Deforest**. Graci quietly pushes herself to do her best. She has shown Growth as a learner as she works hard on improving and learning more in all subjects, she is resilient when she takes feedback, and asks for help and clarification. She has integrity. If she is asked to complete a task, supervised or not, I know the job will be done to her very best. Lastly, she shows togetherness when she works politely and productively with others; not to mention with helping to work on our Halloween door. Congrats, Graci!

### Grade 7 G.R.I.T Awards

**Scott Kapeller** is the October GRIT student of the month for Gr. 7. Scott has had a fantastic start to the year! He showed much growth throughout our volleyball unit and perfected many skills in class. Scott always does the right thing whether he is being watched or not. He has set up the nets more than his fair share and follows the rules expected of him. In terms of togetherness, Scott shows respect and cooperation with his peers always. Way to go Scott - keep up the great work!

### Grade 8 GRIT Award

This month's Grade 8 GRIT awards goes to **Joseph Whiting**. Joseph is a very determined young man who diligently completes all tasks assigned to him. He displays resiliency as he to work through all grade level assignments using technology. He displays integrity as he is conscientious about completing assignments and communicates with the teacher if something requires more time. Joseph is an active learner and contributes to working with others. Keep up the good work Joseph

CONGRATULATIONS MAICIE!

### GRADE 9 GRIT Award

The grade 9 GRIT award goes to **Maicie Irving!** She understands that success requires hard work. Not only does she realize this, but she is also willing to put in the hard work to get the results she wants. She demonstrates great respect for all the people alongside her, whether they are students, teachers, or other adults. Maicie is a great example of a student who shows growth, resilience, integrity in her actions, and how working together can benefit everyone involved.

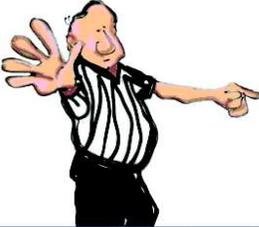
### Grade 10 GRIT Award – Kylee Montes

In these first two months, **Kylee Montes** has demonstrated every area of GRIT. She has been working incredibly hard in all of her classes, putting effort into assessments and showing a willingness to grow and improve academically. She is still a social butterfly and talks all the time but balances being together as part of a group and knowing when to get down to business. She is not afraid to call out wrongdoings, stand up for what she believes in or help a friend who is in need, which shows so much integrity. Kylee is very aware of who she is and what she wants to do in her life; I have no doubt that with this level of GRIT she will achieve all the goals she has set.

### GRADE 11 GRIT AWARD

This month's GRIT Award goes to **Carter Doerksen**. Carter has what I like to call, stealthy grit. It is rare to see Carter speaking up in class but what you will notice is Carter's willingness to get straight to work, remain on task and put in the effort to complete his assignments. In Construction and Welding class Carter works well with his classmates and is always willing to do the right thing even when no one is looking. Congratulations Carter!

**Basketball Officials  
Clinic**



**Monday,  
Nov. 26  
7pm  
Room 104**

**Blaze Orange &  
Camouflage  
November 15**



*Christmas Dance*  
December 20  
\$10 at the Door

Pre-sale \$5 Dates:  
November 28 - buy your ticket  
for \$5 and get a free popcorn  
December 5  
December 12



*Dress Your Best*  
for TMSS Remembrance Day Ceremony



*November 9*

**Hat Day**



**\$1 or more November 7**

**Proceeds to the Legion**

**Mom's Pantry  
Senior Fundraiser  
Distribution: Nov. 20**



*No School*  
**Friday, November 24**



**November 12  
REMEMBRANCE DAY OBSERVED**



*Attend a ceremony in your community on November 11*

## Cross-Country Season 2018

Mid-October finds the cross-country team's season winding up for another year. This year the grade six students ran in four meets: Choiceland, Nipawin, Melfort and our own at the Kinsmen Park. Thank you to Mr. Jacobson for coaching and transporting them to the away meets. They have now scouted out their competitors for next year's NESSAC league meets.

The grade 7-12 students competing in the NESSAC league also ran in four meets (Tisdale, Hudson Bay, Melfort and Nipawin) with the championship on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Rolling Pines golf course outside Nipawin. Eleven athletes from TMSS qualified for provincials on October 13<sup>th</sup> in Delisle.

Despite snow and cold winds with a windchill of -20 on the Delisle golf course, ten runners competed well in the provincials cross country running championship. Runners included: Erin Kirkland, Arianne Pollon, Jessica Nakonieczny, Amy Svenson, Bailey Norris-Pott, Steven Edward, Cole Roszell, Will Messer, Heidi Svenson, and Rachael Benjamin. Many of the athletes ran their personal bests which was so outstanding considering the conditions. All of the TMSS competitors showed their Commit to GRIT with their personal **growth** in their running performance, their **resilience** to compete in the cold conditions, their **integrity** to as they represented both the school and the community of Tisdale, as well as their **togetherness** to support their teammates and have a lot of fun while improving their fitness levels. They have so much to be proud of! What a great crew of teen athletes!

### Student Safety – A Reminder

Do you know who to contact if your child doesn't arrive at home after school? The first point of contact for the parent should be the school – the principal or another staff member may know the location of the student. In addition, the Transportation Services office is open from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm and can quickly contact drivers through the radio.

A phone number for Transportation Services is 306-873-4555 or 1-888-884-0240 and is also on the North East School Division website for after-hours EXTREME emergencies like a missing child. If a parent or guardian is trying to find his/her child after the school has closed, he/she can and should contact Transportation Services.

