

## Tarawa Terrace Elementary School

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### Tiger Families,

We hope that you and your family had a restful time together during the Thanksgiving break. We continue to be grateful for your dedication and support of your children's success at TTES. As the pandemic numbers continue to rise, please continue to review the DoDEA prescreening protocol every day within 2 hours of your student coming to school. If your student is exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms please do not send your child to school. In addition, please be sure that your children have the seasonal influenza vaccine and documentation is turned in as soon as possible to the school. The deadline to submit your child's flu shot record or exemption was December 1st and has to be provided as soon as possible to avoid your child being withdrawn from TTES.

It is also a good idea periodically to review the emergency contact information that we have on file for your child. If anything has changed, please contact the front office staff for assistance in updating this critical documentation.

We are dedicated to ensuring that the positive experiences continue for the remainder of the school year. Every day our teachers and staff endeavor to meet the needs of all students. Instruction delivered by our classroom teachers remains at a high level and provides opportunities for students to stay engaged throughout the learning process. We remain committed to providing an exceptional education for your children even with the challenges this year has presented for us all. We are available by phone, email and Google Meet if you have any questions or concerns. In closing, we want to extend our wishes for a safe and enjoyable holiday season. May 2021 be the best year ever for us all!

Sincerely,

Leigh Anne Daniel-Faulkner, Principal

James Brown, Assistant Principal

Terence Walton, Administrative Officer



### Upcoming Events December

- ✓ **2** Early Release Day
- ✓ **7** PreK Staff Workday  
No School for PreK Students only
- ✓ **9** Early Release Day  
Curriculum Night - Virtual  
2:30-4pm
- ✓ **16** Early Release Day
- ✓ **21- Jan 1** Winter Break  
No School for Students or Staff
- ✓ **Jan 4** School Resumes



## FLU SHOT CLINIC

Bldg. 40 Brewster Blvd.

Available to all TRICARE Beneficiaries

Wed, Dec 2    1200 - 1800  
Fri, Dec 4    1200 - 1800

Beneficiaries are required to have their DOD ID and wear a face covering

## Information for Tigers

### [www.K12Payment Center.com](http://www.K12PaymentCenter.com)

K12PaymentCenter (formerlyLunchPrepay.com) is a secure, easy and convenient way to apply funds directly to your student's account online. You can even check the account balance and keep an eye on what your student is buying! As an added convenience, parents can receive a Low Balance notification email alerting the parent that the student's account will need another payment applied soon.

[https://www.dodea.edu  
/TarawaTerraceES/meals.cfm](https://www.dodea.edu/TarawaTerraceES/meals.cfm)

The link listed above will give you access to the monthly lunch/ breakfast menu, free/ reduced lunch application, and to the online meal prepay site!



## Information Center (Library)

December will be full of fun enrichment stories to celebrate reading! Even Santa reads a good story! Keep track of Santa by visiting <http://www.noradsanta.org/>. Enjoy a good Holiday book! "Oh, What a Christmas" by Michael Garland is one of my favorites.

**Here's a joke to make you smile: What do Santa's little helpers learn at school? The elf-abet!**

**Don't forget:** Databases and ebooks for students!! **FREE TO USE** for you and your child! You have access to over 25 databases and almost 4000 electronic books for free!!!! **MACKINVIA!!!** You need to check it out!!! (Tumblebooks, PebbleGo, PowerKnowledge, Britannica encyclopedia etc.)

Mackinvia.com Passwords required and can be obtained through your child's teacher or email [carol.dula@dodea.edu](mailto:carol.dula@dodea.edu)

Merry Christmas!  
Mrs. Carol Dula  
Information Specialist



## Information from Reading Support

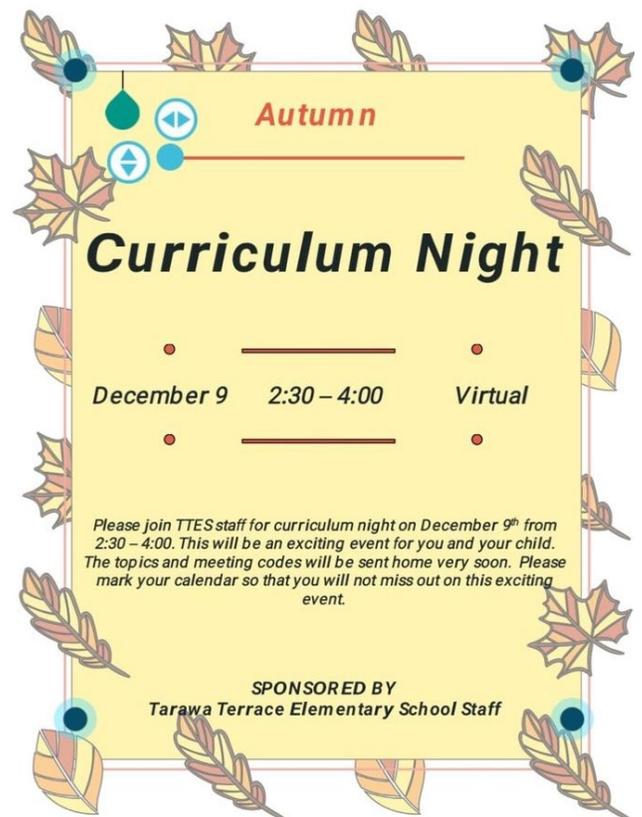
### Looking for the perfect holiday gift to encourage reading? Board games!

If you are looking for gift ideas for struggling readers or to encourage reading, board games are a great idea. Picking out a board game that requires some reading to play and win can really help your beginner. Having fun while reading and the repetition of playing will make reading seem way more fun for a kid who struggles. Here are just a few ideas:

- Big Boggle (ages 8+)
- Sight Word Pizza (ages 5+)
- Scrabble (ages 8 +) or Scrabble Junior (ages 5+)
- Banagrams (ages 7 + good for vocabulary development, letter arrangement)
- Wordplay for Kids (ages 8 +)
- Read My List! (ages 8+)
- Apples to Apples Junior (ages 9+)
- Headbanz (ages 5+ this is a great game to use with kids who have speech and language challenges. They will work on formulating questions and picking specific vocabulary.)
- Rory's Story Cubes (ages 6+ Language Development, Vocabulary Development, Story Sequencing, Storytelling)
- In a Pickle Card Game (ages 10+ Language Development, Vocabulary Development, Reading Comprehension)
- Last Letter (ages 8+ Vocabulary Development, Letter Recognition, Picture Cues, Time Management)
- Zingo (ages 3+ Letter Arrangement & Recognition, Vocabulary Development, Picture Cues, Time Management)
- Last Letter Card Game (ages 8+ - Vocabulary Development, Letter Recognition, Picture Cues, Time Management)

Mrs. Spade & Mrs. Smith

All Camp Lejeune Community Schools students are required to have the **annual seasonal flu vaccine** before Dec. 1, 2020, unless an updated waiver is obtained. Visit the **Flu Shot Clinic** to meet this requirement. Shots can also be obtained at local pharmacies and the Immunization Clinic at the Naval Medical Center. Send proof of the vaccine to the school nurse ASAP.



The poster is titled "Autumn Curriculum Night" and is decorated with autumn leaves and pumpkins. It features a central text box with the following information:

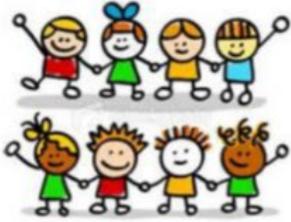
**Autumn**

**Curriculum Night**

December 9 2:30 – 4:00 Virtual

Please join TTES staff for curriculum night on December 9<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 – 4:00. This will be an exciting event for you and your child. The topics and meeting codes will be sent home very soon. Please mark your calendar so that you will not miss out on this exciting event.

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## CHILD FIND PRESCHOOL CHILDREN Ages 3-5



Your preschool child is learning and growing in many areas that lead to being  
*“Ready to Learn”*

Sometimes children experience difficulty in their development that may cause problems  
when they start school.

### Personal-Social Development

1. Has difficulty following routines in Preschool/CDC/Day Care
2. Doesn't respond to adult redirection or interaction
3. Does not play or talk with peers
4. Tantrums frequently in public
5. Does not separate from parents without tantrums

### Communication

1. Is difficult for most people to understand
2. Doesn't seem to understand directions
3. Language sounds much different than other children his/her age
4. Adults wonder if the child is hearing them
5. Does not use verbal speech or language to communicate

### Learning

1. Doesn't seem to remember what was learned from one day to the next
2. Doesn't seem interested in learning
3. Doesn't want to participate in activities that involve learning and exploring

### Motor Skills

1. Seems to fall often/is very clumsy
2. Has great difficulty holding utensils/holding writing or coloring tools
3. Doesn't seem to have strength when coloring/drawing

### Self-Help

1. Is not potty trained and all others of the same age seem to be potty trained.
2. Does not put on even simple clothing items
3. Has great difficulty feeding himself or herself

**Do any of these concerns sound familiar?  
Call your local elementary school today to request an appointment  
for Child Find!**

**Delalio Elementary: 910-449-0601  
Heroes Elementary: 910-449-8000  
Johnson Primary School: 910-451-2431  
Tarawa Terrace Elementary: 910-450-1635**