

## Tom Thumb Newsletter

February 2026

Tuitions are due February 1<sup>st</sup>- Thank you.

Registration for the 2026-2027 school year is now open. Remember no one is automatically re-registered.

Summer camp information will be sent home the end of this month.

**Senior math topic this month is- money/Junior's will continue with classroom math manipulatives.**

**Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup>- Friday February 6<sup>th</sup>**- all children will be introduced to the jogging club. Children will learn the difference between jogging and running. We start with a walking warm up and end with a walking cool down. This is a winter activity that takes place in the gym in the afternoons.

**Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Physical education with coach Marcos. Please wear sneakers! Seniors and Juniors will be practicing for the mini-Olympics to be held at the Dynamic Gymnastic building. Dates are the following:

- Monday March 9<sup>th</sup> - Mrs. Cichetti & Mrs. Gallagher 's classes
- Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>- Mrs. Mula's class
- Monday April 20<sup>th</sup> – Mrs. Langdon's class
- Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup>- Mrs. Heyde's class
- Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup> – Mrs. Kowal's class



**Tuesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> & Wednesday February 4<sup>th</sup>** – Music & Movement with Ms. Claudia. Seniors have been learning how to play the mini piano keyboards and practicing for their spring show & Graduation. In March seniors will be introduced to the xylophones. Juniors enjoy singing and learning new songs with Ms. Claudia. **Graduation dates for seniors are:**

- Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>- Mrs. Mula's class
- Wednesday May 13<sup>th</sup>- Mrs. Cichetti and Mrs. Gallagher's classes

### Thursday February 5<sup>th</sup>

- Please wear sneakers for gym class. Coach Marcos will be working on the following skills:
- Hula Hoops with synchronized movement
- Parachute games

### Friday February 6<sup>th</sup>



Senior classes will have drumming practice with Mrs. Brophy. All students will see a video on our 10ft screen. The video will include drumming and music which is the same that is used for our spring show/graduation. This video will amaze the children! Juniors will have drumming also. We hope they have fun and will start and stop drumming all together.

- Junior classes will watch the drumming video

### Monday February 9<sup>th</sup>

Please wear sneakers for gym class. Coach Marcos will be working on the following skills:

- Basketball shooting
- Rolling the donut relay races
- Mrs. Langdon's class will visit the library for a special story time



### Tuesday February 10<sup>th</sup>

- Mrs. Kowal's class & Mrs. Heyde's class will visit the library for a special story time.
- Changing classes- juniors will visit other junior classrooms and seniors will visit other senior classrooms. We typically do this activity in the winter months when we cannot get outside to the playground.

### Wednesday February 11<sup>th</sup>

- Mrs. Kowal's class & Mrs. Heyde's class will visit the library for a special story time.
- Changing classes- juniors will visit other junior classrooms and seniors will visit other senior classrooms.

## Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup>

Please wear sneakers for gym class. Coach Marcos will be working on the following skills which are part of the mini Olympics.

- Forward rolls (seniors)
- Pencil rolls (juniors)
- Stand and present



**Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup> & Friday February 13<sup>th</sup>**- Valentine's Day Parties (afternoon party) Remember to wear something red! Please, absolutely **NO VALENTINE CARDS OR CANDY**. Please cooperate. We will make our own fun! Thank you to all the parents that volunteered to send in a special treat.

## Friday February 13<sup>th</sup>



- Senior birthday activity day- and the seniors will drum with the drumming video.
- Junior children celebrate their birthday in their classroom and will also drum with the drumming video.

## February 16<sup>th</sup>- February 20<sup>th</sup> School Closed for winter recess

### Monday February 23<sup>rd</sup>

Please wear sneakers for gym class. Coach Marcos will be working on the following skills which are part of the mini-Olympics.

- Forward rolls (seniors)
- Pencil rolls (juniors)
- Stand & present
- Mrs. Cichetti's class will visit the library



**Monday February 23- Friday February 27<sup>th</sup>**- this is our last week of the jogging club (if the weather is inclement, we will continue jogging club in March). All children will receive a certificate for their hard work and participation!



**Tuesday February 24<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday February 25<sup>th</sup>**- Music & Movement with Ms. Claudia. Senior classes will now be learning the notes on the xylophone- CDEFGAB- one octave, the same as the keyboard. Ms. Claudia will be adding movement with the songs the children are learning for their spring show/graduation.

**Tuesday February 24<sup>th</sup>** Mrs. Mula's class will visit the library.



**Tuesday February 24<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday February 25<sup>th</sup>** – Science with Mrs. A. This month's topic is the heart. Look for notes in your child's folder.

## Thursday February 26<sup>th</sup>

Please wear sneakers for gym class. Coach Marcos will be working on the following skills:

- Hula Hoops with synchronized movement
- Parachute games
- Mrs. Gallagher's class will visit the library.



## Friday February 27<sup>th</sup>

- Senior classes will have drumming with Mrs. Brophy, and our junior students will be the audience. Applause please! In the afternoon all students will see last year's senior drumming video.
- Juniors will have drumming with Mrs. Brophy

### Notes

**Kindergarten Registration**- dates and times vary in each school district. Some districts start the process this month. It is recommended that you contact your school district for more information.

**Weather related school closings/delays**- as a reminder if Lakeland school district closes, Tom Thumb will also close. If Lakeland delays, Tom Thumb will only delay 1 hour. Regular drop off will begin at 9:45am. Before school care for those registered will begin at 7:50.

**Parking Lot Safety**- In the event of bad weather, we may change our drop off procedures. Please be patient and follow the instruction of the staff members outside. Safety is our #1 priority! Thank you for your cooperation.

**Thank you for reading the entire newsletter.**

Nancy Cappello

Lisa Cancro

Nancy Brophy

