

**Math:** We are making our way through our 4th unit – Linear Equations. So far we have written and solve equations and we are now connecting them to tables and graphs. We then take a deeper dive into slope and systems of two equations. Algebra students are moving back into relationships between quantities, focusing specifically on linear and exponential functions. ---Ms. Bovill & Mr. Arbuckle

Dates to Know:

* January 2nd – schools reopen
* January 3rd-15th – HS Choice meetings continue
* January 4th – Coffee Klatch
* January 8th – monthly NYC payment #4 due
* January 9th – Early release (11:30 dismissal)
* January 18th – Dollar Denim Day
* January 21st – MLK Day; Schools closed
* January 24th – adult cruise ticket money due
* January 24th & 25th – school closed for students
* January 26th – PTO meeting
* January 28th – Quarter 2 ends

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**Humanities:** As Winter Break ends, eighth-graders will get into their next novel, *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Our in-depth study of the novel will continue through the end of the quarter, with students exploring the inter-related themes of what it means to take a stand and what it means "to crawl inside" someone else's skin and "walk around in it," as Atticus Finch reminds us. Our summative assessment at the end of the unit will ask students to work with these themes in different ways. Please stress to students the importance of keeping up with the nightly reading at home and bringing their novels to class every day. ---Mr. Ventre

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**Announcement**

Our annual fundraiser for 8th grade will be a March Madness Cornhole Tournament. **3/23 from 6-10pm.**

Come play cornhole and get your name in Tunbridge history! Or just attend the event to watch basketball.

Tickets are on sale now! Teams must register by 3/9.

We are now accepting donations to our Silent Auction that will take place in March, ending at the Tournament.

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**Science:** As we head into January we will now take a look at Newton’s 3 Laws of Motion. We will be analyzing forces and motion while understanding how and why things move. Students should start thinking about whether they want to participate in the science fair and what their topic and question might be. They can go to [https://www.sciencebuddies.org/](https://www.sciencebuddies.org/" \t "_blank) and click "Find a Project Idea" to help narrow a question/topic.

---Ms. Bovill & Mrs. Castillo

**Perfect Attendance:** The following students were in school on time every day in December: Evelyn Blackman, Madison Carrington, Emma Hammett, Amelia Henry, Lashaya Hines, Johnathan Kane, Jada Lewis, Ayana Longshore, Tijah Mintz, Grace Sutherland, Naya Truesdale, Alice Victorson, and Deia Waddell……… **Nice job to all!**https://ssl.gstatic.com/ui/v1/icons/mail/images/cleardot.gif



* Charter School applications are due in early February.
* Service learning projects get organized this month and carried out over the spring.