
TOWLE BRIDGE

NEWSLETTER



“but the angel said, “Don’t be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He isn’t here! He is risen from the dead! Look, this is where they laid his body.”

Mark 16:6

ACADEMIC ADVISING NOTES

- ❖ For 10th – 12th graders taking the **ASVAB Career Exploration exam on Friday, March 8th**, please keep checking your email for any additional details and updates. Don't forget to have **Friday, March 22nd** marked down on your calendar too – that's when we will have a follow-up meeting on "Interpreting Your Scores".
- ❖ **REMINDER for all High School Students:** Week 33 (**May 13, 2024**) is the deadline date to hand in your paperwork for obtaining **PE and/or Music** credit for this academic year.

For academic courses taken as **Independent Study**, please follow the deadline dates established by the Department Head.

- ❖ **Summer Opportunities** – This is the time of year to begin planning! The **University of Delaware's Edge Summer College Program** is just one example. It offers rising high school *juniors* and *seniors* (ages 15 to 17) opportunities to enrich and expand their academic experience, including earning up to 7 fully accredited college credits and living on campus for the 5-week summer session. It is intense but very rewarding! Visit <https://www.udel.edu/apply/undergraduate-admissions/precollege-programs/edge/> for more information and deadline application dates!

Numerous (not all) colleges have similar summer programs. Check the websites of those colleges that you are interested in attending. It's a great way to "check out" that college!

- ❖ For all **High School students**, it is not too early to begin looking into summer volunteer opportunities. Don't forget to ask your relatives and friends for ideas as to where to apply.
- ❖ **Extracurricular activities** will play an important role in the college application packet. Please make every effort to accrue meaningful experiences and keep track of them.
- ❖ It is the student's responsibility to keep a detailed list of any **academic honors and/or awards** earned in high school. *Please give me a copy of that list at the end of the school year, so that I can include this information on your transcript.* Keep in mind that you need to note the level of the competition (school, county, state, regional, national, etc.), the exact name of the competition, and the specific award earned (first place, honorable mention, meritorious award, superior ranking, etc.). *For example:* Second Place, Individual Exhibit Category, School-level National History Day Competition.
- ❖ If you have any questions or concerns that arise, please feel free to email me or stop by the office anytime on Mondays.

Mrs. Watts

jill.watts@towleinstitute.com

Notes

Do you know that there is huge difference between “learning” and “studying”?

So often, students come home from classes and tell their parents that, for example, “We learned about integrals in math class.” To be precise, the students were only introduced to integrals. The next phase for the student involves doing the necessary steps in studying which will lead to the triumphant stage of learning!

What sort of steps are there in studying? Each student has an individualized style of studying new material. Yet, it’s safe to say that the following are key ingredients: memorization, recall, synthesis, working out problems, and wrestling with language to express the new concepts in a coherent manner.

Why should you know this? For you to have realistic expectations!

If you think you have learned something after only being exposed to it once, you will be frustrated when working on, for example, homework assignments. Instead, you should expect that working on assignments could be challenging, as you are only in the process of ‘getting it’ or truly learning it.

Avoid getting frustrated or making wrong conclusions about what kind of a learner you are. Give yourself plenty of time and exposure to the subject matter.

With time and commitment, you will ‘get it’!

-- Mrs. K

WORTHY IS THE LAMB

By Faith Miller

As a gentile Christian and follower of Jesus, I have always been raised to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus during Easter. It is such a beautiful expression and remembrance of our salvation. It is also the highest-attended day in churches across the globe. Truly, whatever the purpose for our choice to celebrate in this way on these days, the Lord continues to use it to reach the population of the world, praise God!

Today I would like to share some connections within the incredible story God has been weaving into his timeline since the beginning. The patterns He established and even the way He is sovereign over times and seasons reveal His ultimate plan and purposes to us! In the story of Cain and Abel, we see that a suitable sacrifice to the Lord was, "The firstborn of his flock and their fat portions." (Gen 4:4)

We are mostly familiar with the account of Noah and the global flood, but did you know there are intricate details stitched into that story, later to reveal God's master plan for the final redemption of the world? Amidst years, months, and days for various milestones of the flood account, we see tucked in the timeline, "The ark came to rest in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat." (Gen 8:4)

Nearly a thousand years later the Lord directs Abraham to bring Isaac as a sacrifice to the same location where another two thousand years later, the Lord would do the same. When asked by Isaac where the sacrifice was, Abraham answered, "God will provide for Himself a lamb for a burnt offering, my son." (Gen 22:8). In case the reader might mistake those words as meaning in the immediate sense, we see that God provides a Ram on that day, so that we would see that the ultimate fulfillment of that prophetic statement was fulfilled in Christ on that same place in Moriah, known later as Golgotha.

Let's revisit that strange date when the Ark rested in Ararat, shall we? If we carefully examine the account of the Exodus, we find this passage where The Lord tells Moses to change the calendar and that what was the 7th month will now be the 1st month - the month of Nisan. He then gives very specific instructions of when each family is to take a lamb per household and then "You must watch over it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to slaughter it at twilight." (Exodus 12:6)

Why at twilight? If you go back to the Creation account in Genesis 1 you can see that the Lord begins the day at evening (beginning at Gen 1:5), as a way of reminding us each and every day that the Light will *always* conquer over the Darkness. This is why to this day, the Hebrew calendar recognizes that each day begins at sundown. This is how a first-century Jewish person would have understood days and times. This is why 'preparation day' as described in John's gospel (John 19:14) is the same 'day' from our modern perspective as the evening of Passover. Preparation would happen during the daylight hours for that evening, just as the first Passover in Egypt.

With this understanding let's take a look at how the Ark resting on the 17th day of the 7th month and the change of calendar with Moses seemingly places Passover on the 14th day of the 1st month (formerly the 7th). What happens when we add three (3) days from Passover? We get the 17th of Nisan - or - the day that Jesus was resurrected and conquered death for all who would believe and walk with Him! How incredible that the Lord in His multifaceted wisdom ensures that every detail recorded in His word continually reiterates these patterns so that they are unmistakably the recognizable fingerprints of His great work! The ultimate and perfect lamb slain, that same lamb worthy to open the scroll and break the seals (Rev 5:1-7), has been foreshadowed in commands, dates, and ordinances since the beginning of time. What a privilege to be alive at a time such as this, where we can look back and see these mysteries revealed through the ages!

So perhaps this year, as the 14th-17th of Nisan comes to pass (April 22nd - 25th), we might find some time and space to remember how The Lord chose to speak through those times. That even back in the Ark, our Lord was pointing to Himself as Jesus providing our final rest in Him through His Resurrection.

There is a treasure trove of mysteries revealed in how the Lord speaks to us through His Word by the Holy Spirit and the depths of those mysteries are limitless, no matter how many times we search the Scriptures we find there are countless revelations to be found, this is the never-ending nature of our relationship with our Creator! It is also by reading the Scriptures that we gain comfort and assurance that His word has been proven over and over again through the course of time - consistently and faithfully. For that, we must be truly grateful!

FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Basketball Wrap-Up

Both Towle Lions teams had great 2023-2024 seasons! It was exciting to watch the teams grow under the coaching of Tim McHugh (boys), Bethany McHugh (girls), and their assistant coaches, Kody Slaten and Mark Anselmo.

The boys ended the season with a winning record (5-2) for the first time in several years! 8 players made up the team, ranging from 7th to 11th grades. Yes, there were no seniors this year, so we hope to have all of these players returning next year to grow and improve even more!

The Lady Lions had 7 players, ranging from 6th to 11th grades. Again, we are not losing any seniors, and it is exciting to think of this group of girls coming together next year to continue building upon all they learned this season! Although they did not win any games, four of the seven games they played were against varsity teams, and except for 2 players, they were a middle school team! They grew in skill and confidence this season and it was fun to watch the changes throughout the season.

The basketball program at Towle is unique in that younger players are welcomed into the teams and have the opportunity to play and learn from their coaches and the older, more experienced players on the teams. I am proud of our players for how they play as a team and the sportsmanship they show to other teams, reflecting the great coaching they receive.

-- Sara Chick

At the banquet, held on February 16th, the following awards were given to the players:

Offensive Player of the Year - Kelly McHugh
Defensive Players of the Year - Andrew Hollinshead & Noah Watts
Most Improved Player - Gracen Slaten
Perseverance Award - Dominic Waritz
Rookie of the Year Award - Liam DelGiorno
6th Man of the Year Award - Micah Watts
Most Versatile Award - Caleb Hollinshead

Offensive Player of the Year - Mackenzie Riley
Defensive Player of the Year - Audrey McHugh
Most Improved Player - Darby Slaten
Most Coachable Award - Sophia Anselmo
Team Spirit Award - Grace Riley
Hustle Award - Sophia Miller
Most Dependable Award - Rory Slaten



St. Patrick Day

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IRISH SODA BREAD RECIPE

KELLY MCHUGH

Makes 3 Loaf Pans

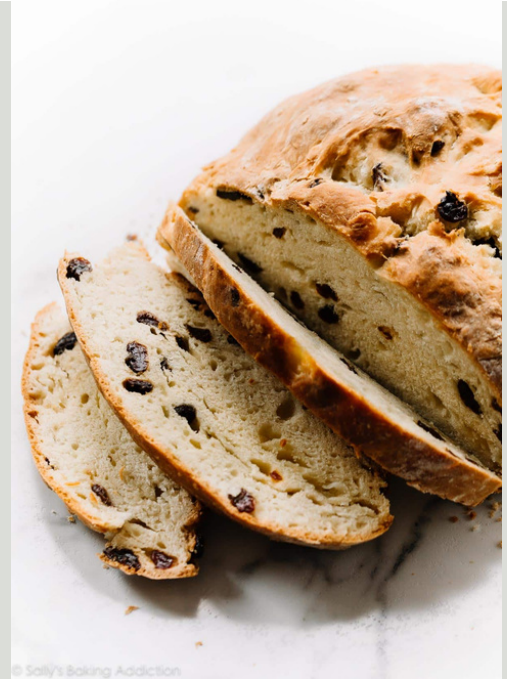
Ingredients

- 9 cups of flour
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 2 teaspoons of salt
- 3 eggs
- 1 quart of buttermilk
- 2 teaspoons of baking soda
- 4 tablespoons of margarine
- 1 fifteen ounce package of raisins

Steps

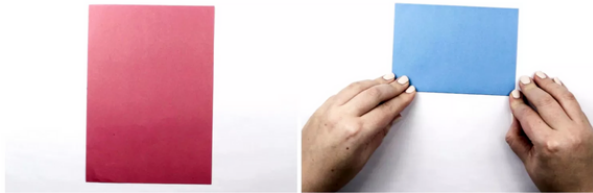
1. Mix dry ingredients
2. Mix liquid ingredients, separate from dry
3. Mix liquid ingredients into dry ingredient mixture
4. Knead into loaves on floured board and pour into greased pans

Bake at 350 for 1 hour



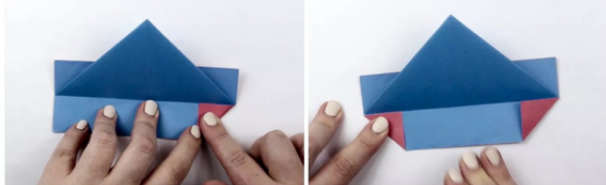
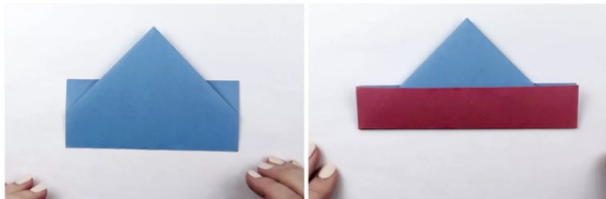
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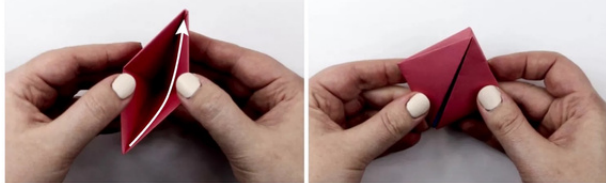
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Start with your rectangular paper, orient it vertically, with the long edges going up and down. Fold the bottom half up to the top. Fold the bottom right corner over to the left corner and make a small pinch, just enough to crease the paper. Open it back up.



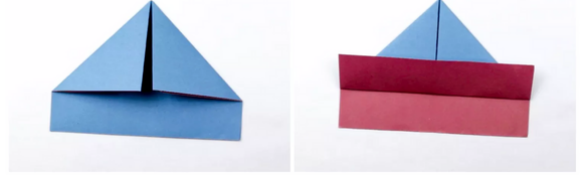
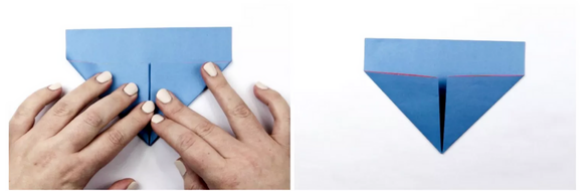
3. A Boat Begins to Take Shape

Flip the paper over to the other side. Fold the bottom edge up in the same way. Unfold, and then fold the bottom right corner in along the crease you made. Repeat on the bottom left flap.



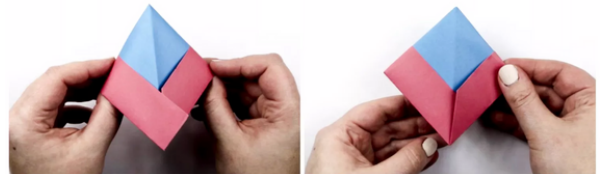
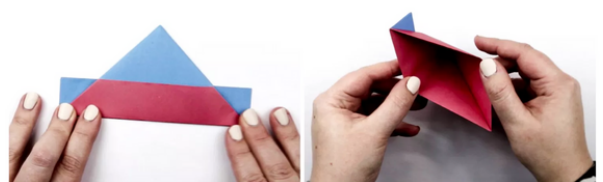
5. Continue Folding

Fold one layer up to the top. Repeat on the back. Open the bottom of the model.



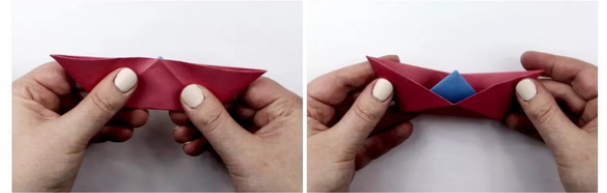
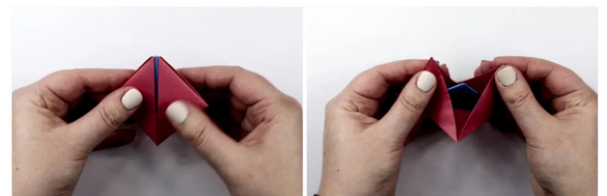
2. Create a Triangle Shape

Using the crease as a guide, fold the left and right bottom corners up and to the middle. Flatten the folded pieces down. Rotate the paper. Fold one layer from the bottom up along the bottom of the front flaps.



4. Form the Bottom of the Boat

Re-fold the bottom edge back up. Open the bottom of the model. Look at the corners. Flatten and then insert the overlapping flap on the left underneath the right section.



6. Finalize the Folds

Pull apart the left and right flaps. Flatten it out, in the shape of a boat. Open it slightly. The triangle in the middle resembles a sail.

O R A G A M I B O A T

NEW TO TOWLE

Michaela Heavner

Interview by Mackenzie Riley

Where did you go to school before Towle?

Homeschool

Do you have a favorite subject?

Lunch

Do you have any pets? If so, what kind of pet(s) do you have?

One Dog named Sophie

What is your favorite holiday and favorite thing to do during that holiday?

Halloween and dress up

What is your favorite food?

Sushi

What is your favorite place to vacation?

Disneyworld

What is your dream vacation spot?

Hawaii

If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

Reading Minds

Noah Hollinshead

Interview by Emily Matthews

Where did you go to school before Towle?

I was homeschooled.

Do you have a favorite subject?

My favorite subject is math.

Do you have any pets?

I have a dog named Ranger.

What is your favorite holiday?

I like Thanksgiving when we go to our great-grandfather's cabin in State College, Pennsylvania.

What is your favorite food and/or restaurant?

I really like pizza from Two Cousins.

What is your dream vacation spot?

I want to go to Alaska because I've never been there before.

If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

Learning without going to school





BULLETIN BOARD

Towle Parent Resource Forum

Would you like to be included in our **family resource forum**? A place where families and parents can ask and inquire as well as share and resource others with valuable information? Questions like *what to do with books and materials*, etc.

We are forming this forum now and if you would like to be part of it to receive helpful information or share resources with others please email Faith Miller with your name and email address to be added.

Email Mrs. Miller at
faith@onetruehealth.blog

Upcoming Spirit Day Events:

March 25th Color wars

April 29th Tourist day **COMPETITION**

May 20th Twin day

Towle Alumni

An Interview with Alanna Hall by Mackenzie Riley

How long did you go to Towle, and what year did you graduate?

I started Towle in the 4/5 writing class and stayed through graduation! And my graduation year was 2020...hooray....

What have you been doing since you graduated?

Since graduation, I've been working hard on my degree in elementary education. After this semester, all I'll have left is student teaching and then I'll be doneeee! I've also been working in my own classroom at a local daycare, and planning my wedding with fellow Towle alumni, Mike Riley.

How would you rate Towle's preparation for college studies/ life?

I would rate Towle's preparation for college life very highly. Time management and balancing out a workload throughout the week are two skills I believe Towle is great for building. Towle is set up very similarly to college, which makes the transition very easy for its graduates.

What advice would you give our seniors graduating this year?

Hey, all four of you! If I could give you any advice, it would just be to relax. You're gonna do great! :)

Was there a specific teacher or class that stood out as being particularly helpful after graduating?

I loved my Towle teachers! I can't really think of any class that I would consider the MOST helpful. They're all important. I suppose if I had to pick one I'd say any of my later math classes. They gave me the ability to actually pass college calculus; a class I will never understand the need for in order to teach kindergarten.

What advice would you give to our younger high schoolers (juniors, sophomores, ect.)?

Take care of yourself and do what makes you happy. Love the cringey or lame or childish things you love unapologetically. Take breaks for rest, to see your friends, to do what you enjoy. Buy yourself the little treat. Use the gifts you've been saving for a special occasion. Life is too short to let yourself be miserable! And even when life feels miserable (and it will, because being a teenager sucks and it feels like everyone hates you) it will always get better.





Honor Roll

1st Quarter - A Honors

KELSEY DAVIS
AUTUMN HALL
ABIGAIL HOLLINSHEAD
ALEXANDRA IRWIN
ANNA LESTER
EMILY MATTHEWS
AUDREY MCHUGH
KELLY MCHUGH
SOPHIA MILLER
JULIA PETRUCCI
ANTHONY PUGLIESE
PENELOPE SCHLABACH
ABIGAIL WATTS
MICAH WATTS

1st Quarter - AB Honors

JOSHUA CERICOLE
MICHAELA HEAVNER
NOAH HOLLINSHEAD
CARRIE KEATHLEY
MELINA KEATHLEY
MCKENZIE MCMAHAN
DARBY SLATEN
DOMINIC WARITZ
NOAH WATTS

2nd Quarter - A Honors

RYLAN BRADFORD
KELSEY DAVIS
AUTUMN HALL
ABIGAIL HOLLINSHEAD
ALEXANDRA IRWIN
CARRIE KEATHLEY
ANNA LESTER
EMILY MATTHEWS
AUDREY MCHUGH
KELLY MCHUGH
SOPHIA MILLER
ANTHONY PUGLIESE
PENELOPE SCHLABACH
DARBY SLATEN
ABIGAIL WATTS
MICAH WATTS
NOAH WATTS
MICHAELA HEAVNER
NOAH HOLLINSHEAD
MELINA KEATHLEY
DOMINIC WARITZ

2nd Quarter - AB Honors

MICHAELA HEAVNER
NOAH HOLLINSHEAD
MELINA KEATHLEY
DOMINIC WARITZ



National History Day (NHD) was held at Towle on Wednesday, February 21st. This year's contest theme is "Turning Points In History." We were blessed to have David and Kathy Bradford and Richard Rush serve as the judges conducting interviews with the students.

History Day

Junior Division Individual Exhibit

- 2nd Place Darby Slaten "Women Welcome to Theater"
- 1st Place Penelope Schlabach "The Transition from the Julian to the Gregorian Calendar"

Junior Division Individual Website

- 1st Place Micah Watts "Nintendo: Dominating the Game Industry"

Senior Division Group Website

- 1st Place Kelly McHugh/Noah Watts "The Atomic Bomb: The Weapon That Altered History"

Senior Division Individual Exhibit

- 3rd Place Anthony LaMonica "How Alexandria Changed History"
- 2nd Place Abigail Hollinshead "To The Moon"
- 1st Place Emily Matthews "War Sweet War: The Crisis-Driven Emergence of the American Sweet Tooth"

Senior Division Individual Documentary

- 2nd Place Gracen Slaten "How the 3 Point Line Changed Basketball"
- 1st Place Anthony Pugliese "Elvis: Using Music to Bring People Together"



Teen Bible Quiz

*A fun, challenging and skill developing way to
Hide God's Word in your heart!*

What is Teen Bible Quiz?

A team sport that cultivates discipline, memorization techniques, critical thinking and litigation skill-building through studying scriptures in order to compete in question-and-answer matches at a local, district, regional and national levels.

Bible Quiz benefits:

Deepens relationship with God & His Word
Transferable memorization skills
Logic & Reasoning development
Cultivates Critical Thinking
Builds discussion, argument building and litigation skills
(when contesting rules and regulations - not God's word/theology)

Details:

6th-12th Grade
Season runs from September -March
One (1) Meet per Month
Weekly practices

**Email Faith Miller for details or to come and preview a Quiz Practice or
ask questions about starting your own team!**

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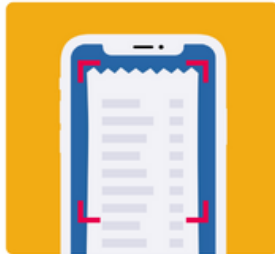
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2023-24 Lab Schedule

(Wednesdays-WCEC)

First semester

March 13th

Time Slot	Course	Course
8:30 - 10:30 am	Health	Anat. & Physiology
10:30 am - 12:30 pm	Chemistry	Biology

April 17th
May 22nd
Summer Break!

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March 2024

Dear Parents,

It is time to start thinking about Standardized Testing (CAT TerraNova 3rd ed.). Here are the details:

When: Monday, June 3 (8:45 am – 12:05 pm) **and** Tuesday, June 4 (8:45 am – 11:45 am)

Where: Wilmington Community Evangelical Church, 1512 Brackenville Rd, Hockessin, DE 19707

Who:

- All full-time Junior High students (grades 6-8) are required to test and will not be charged. **These students do not need to register.** Parents, please see reverse side for service hour opportunities.
- Fourth through 8th grade siblings of full-time students and junior high part-time students may test at a cost of \$30 per student. You **do** need to register these students. In order to ensure adequate tests and adequate space, you will need to enroll your child/children by **Monday, May 6, 2024**. Please complete the form at the bottom of this letter and return it to the school office. Enclose payment to *Towle Institute* for each child tested in grades 4 - 8 (**who are not full-time Junior High students**). If your form and payment are not received by this date, we cannot guarantee an available test for your child. There will be no registration at the door on the day of testing.

Should you have any further questions, I may be reached at mshollinshead@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Hollinshead
Testing Coordinator

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Parents' Names (please include first and last): _____

Home phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

<u>Student Name</u> (please include last name if different from parent)	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Fee</u> (4 th - 5 th graders, part-time, and siblings of full-time students)
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TOTAL FEE: _____

For office use only:

<u>Towle students:</u> ___ Sibling Program (4 th -5 th grade)	<u>Non-Towle Students:</u> ___ Part-Time (6-8 th grade) ___ Outside Towle (6-8 th grade) ___ 4 th -5 th graders not in Sib Prog	Paid cash \$ _____ Paid check # _____ for \$ _____ Date Received _____ Received by _____
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Dear Parents,

If you have not yet fulfilled your service hours, now is your chance! Below is a list of jobs that need to be filled. If you are able, please indicate your availability and job preference. This is needed for the CAT testing on Monday and Tuesday, June 3 and 4 and for finals/placement testing on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, June 3-5.

Please fill out the bottom of this form and return it to the office. You will be contacted to confirm your availability. Once completed, don't forget to fill out a service hour form so that your family can receive credit. You need not register your child, nor even have a child testing, in order to volunteer for these tasks.

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Testing Days Service Hours Sign-Up Form

Parents' Names (please include first and last): _____

Please mark your availability with an "X"

<u>Job</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>
Testing Aide	_____	_____	_____
Book return	_____	_____	_____

March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Sr. Science Olympiad
3	4 Week 24	5	6	7 Drama	8	9
10	11 Week 25 Open House	12	13 Labs	14 Drama	15	16 Jr Science Olympiad
17	18 Week 26 End - All things Fun & Fascinating I	19 Mapping Night	20	21 Drama	22	23
24	25 Week 27 (short week) Begin - All things Fun & Fascinating II	26	27	28 Drama	29	30
31	Notes:					

St. Patrick

by Amelia Mackenzie Delaney



Despite his long association with Ireland, St. Patrick was actually born in Great Britain in the late fourth century. Irish raiders captured St. Patrick when he was sixteen and took him to Ireland as a slave. He escaped six years later, but decided to return as a missionary. He worked tirelessly to make the Christian faith more relatable and accessible to the Irish. After many years in Ireland, St. Patrick is believed to have died in 460 A.D.