



Moon Mountain School Newsletter

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Message From the Principal

As many of you already know, Ms. Vicki Davis is no longer working in our front office. Please join me in thanking Ms. Vicki and wishing her the best in all of her future endeavors.

Through an extensive interview process, we were fortunate to find Mrs. Ines Pascual Perez to fill our front office position. Please welcome her when you stop by the office.

When we train new employees it is also a good time for us to review policies and procedures. Just a quick reminder for the safety of our children: All visitors must sign in at the front office and show proper identification. They will then be issued a visitor's badge, which must be worn at all times. When leaving campus, all visitors must sign out and return the visitor's badge. Your cooperation and patience is appreciated as we work to check all identifications.


The 2017 Parent Satisfaction Survey should be coming home sometime this month. Please take a moment to complete and return to your child's teacher. We want to hear your thoughts on critical school issues as we continually strive to strengthen and improve in our commitment to educating our students and serving our community.

PTSA is hosting a "Celebration of Learning – Family Fun Night," April 7, at Peter Piper Pizza from 5-8 p.m. This is a nice way to meet other parents in our school, have dinner, and participate in some fun contests. Among the contests scheduled for Friday night is ice cream eating. I hope you are able to join us.

Save the Date for our Title I Spring Showcase, April 20. The evening is packed with amazing opportunities: Health and Safety Fair, Classroom Projects, Bike Rodeo, Third Grade Recorder Concert and Fifth Grade Vocal Performance.

The prestigious *Lamp of Learning* award celebrates and thanks staff members and community members for their unique, exemplary contributions and for all the extras that they do to support the education of our students. This year two of the 38 extraordinary people selected are from Moon Mountain: Mrs. Kirstin Woodburne, second grade teacher and Mrs. Ana Facio, volunteer. Please join me in congratulating them. Honorees will be recognized at the *Lamp of Learning Awards Dinner* on Friday, May 5, 2017.

Calendar of Events April 6, 2017

- 7 Field Day – 4th – 6th grades
8 – 2 p.m.
- PTSA Peter Piper Pizza Night
at the Metrocenter Location – 5
– 8 p.m.
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- 11 Student Council – 2:40
Site Council – 4:30
- 12 Early Release – 1 p.m.
- 18 **LAST DAY FOR 21ST CENTURY
CLASSES**
- 19 Early Release – 1 p.m.
- 20 Birthday table at lunch
Title 1 Learning Showcase – 4:30 – 7
p.m.
Block Watch – 7:30
- 25 Student Council – 2:40
PTSA General Meeting – 6 p.m.
- 26 Early Release – 1 p.m.
- 27 Progress reports go home
- 28 Student of the Month breakfast 7:30
Cookies with Cody – 1:45 p.m.
Block Watch – 7:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!
**MOON MOUNTAIN TITLE 1
SPRING SHOWCASE**
APRIL 20, 2017
4:30 -7:00 p.m.
Grade Level Events and Art Fair
Concerts
Health/Safety Fair and Bike Rodeo
Free Pizza and Free Books

Look for flyers in GO HOME folders!



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FIRST GRADE NEWS

First graders are blooming! In a few weeks we will finish our weekly reading lessons and homework will be review of skills we've worked on this year. You will also notice more of a focus on reading for comprehension. A very exciting time for our young readers. This month we will begin a study of animal groups which is always a student favorite. Thank you as always for supporting your child. We look forward to seeing you at the school wide Title I Night on April 20!

PE NEWS

All of the Kindergarten through 6th grade classes have been practicing for Field Day. Field Day for K-3 is March 31 and 4-6 is April 7.

The 4th grade classes are also getting ready for the finals of Operation Tone Up. This is an exercise and knowledge program that the 4th grade has been working on for over six weeks.



ART NEWS

Congratulations Moon Mountain artists that had art work on display at ASU West for the District art show.

Yarezi P.	Aleeah M.
Arshaloos A.	Brian L.
Hannah J.	Robert G.
Jacob D.	Dylan F.
Marissa S.	Sarah M.
Eralyn J.	Anaya M.
Tracie J.	Ryder P.
Tessa N.	Rachael B.
Alexianna L.	Kaily A.
Ethan C.	Emily A.
Cody N.	Valntina D.
Carmen S.	Olivia V.
Angelica S.	Keyana H.
Jaylin W.	Linda R.
Estefany M.	Gianna M.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

For the month of March the preschool children discussed vehicles and transportation. We read the stories *There Was a Bold Lady Who Wanted a Star*, *Airport*, *Roaring Rockets*, *Down by the Station*, *Shortcut*, *Roller Coasters*, *The Bus for Us*, and *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*. The children experimented in the science area with various gears and straw rockets that we launched; explored in the sensory table with colored rice and a large tube-funnel structure; made various vehicles including name rockets, train cars, paper airplanes (used on the playground to fly through hula hoops); constructed various roads, street mazes, and tracks for vehicles; measured vehicles using unifex cubes; and had the opportunity to play in the dramatic

area-train station. The children also participated in other art and crafts projects, fine motor/writing experiences, paintings, math, literacy and language experiences, songs and music/movement activities.

On Friday, March 17, the preschool and Head Start children had a special assembly (Science on Wheels) presented by the Science Center. The children enjoyed participating by making whirly twirly planes and constructing their own flying machines to fly in the air tunnel. Fun was had by all!!

AFTER-SCHOOL ACADEMY

Super Spring Semester! The after-school program has been fabulous. We have learned a ton of 'fun' reading, math, art, science and technology. Some of our classes have participated in solving mysteries, performing drama, and engaging sports activities. Thank you to all parents that have encouraged your children to have excellent attendance and to do the best they can every day. **PLEASE NOTE: THE LAST DAY FOR ALL AFTER-SCHOOL CLASSES IS TUESDAY, APRIL 18!**

3RD GRADE TITLE I SPRING SHOWCASE

Biomes! Biomes! Biomes! Third grade has had so much fun learning about Earth's ecosystems. We now know some of the characteristics, plants, and animals of the following biomes: Aquatic, Tropical Rainforests, Temperate Rainforests, Desert, Grasslands, and Polar Regions. All students are expected to 'show what they know' about one particular biome by making a diorama. Some of our students have already shown some amazing creativity in their projects. Keep them coming! They are due no later than April 14. PARENTS: PLEASE BE SURE TO COME SEE ALL OF THE BIOME LEARNING YOUR CHILD HAS DONE IN OUR CLASSROOM ON THURSDAY, APRIL 20. Classroom doors open at 5 p.m.

REMINDER TO PARENTS

Please remember that students are not to be dropped off in the morning before 7:10 a.m. There is no teacher supervision before that time.



Also in the morning, please either park your car and walk your student into the building or drive along the drop-off route and let him or her off on the sidewalk. Do not drive between the rows of cars and let your student off, it is too dangerous with cars driving through and other parents backing out of spaces. Students and parents need to cross at the crosswalk in front of the school. Thank you for your continued cooperation in the matter.

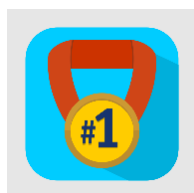
HANDICAP SPACES/APPLE AWARD/CARPOOL SPACES

Handicap spaces in the front of the school are reserved for those displaying a handicap license plate or placard. We have parents, guardians and/or students who may need access to these spaces at any given time. We expect respect to be paid to the students and families needing access due to a disability. Maricopa County requires carpool spaces be reserved for those participating in the trip reduction program. We appreciate you leaving those spots available for carpooling staff. Moon Mountain recognizes outstanding staff members through the Apple Award Program. Winners receive the privilege of parking in a reserved spot. We appreciate you leaving the designated space available for employees receiving this honor.



6TH GRADE NEWS

We are in our last quarter of sixth grade and we have many exciting events coming up. The third quarter awards assembly will take place April 6 at 1:00 p.m. Our field day is scheduled for Friday, April 7. On Wednesday April 12, our sixth graders will be visiting Mountain Sky. They will be able to learn about all the wonderful opportunities that await them in junior high. Last but not least we will be heading up to Tonto Creek Camp April 24-26 to participate in some STEM activities. Please make sure to turn in final payments and all paperwork by April 7.



STUDENT OF THE MONTH -MARCH

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| Ismael S. | Elizabeth A. |
| Alexa H | McKenzie T. |
| Lilian A | Sheajani R. |
| Elizabeth R. | Madisyn H. |
| Kaci L. | Sammy E. |
| Melanie S. | Ezequiel R. |
| Valeria H. | Fadi M. |



COOKIES WITH CODY - MARCH

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| Arianna W. | Jacqueline A. |
| Brissa M. | Jaylee D. |
| Noel M. | Gauge G. |
| Dellanna H. | Miah L. |
| Delani R. | Gabriel R. |
| Kai C. | Randy M |
| Jesus A. | Fatima S. |

MUSIC NEWS

Within Mrs. Doyle's classroom our third graders have been working really hard at Recorder Karate and passing off their belts! We have a few students who are working their way to black belt and I hope that all of our students work hard and practice at home to reach that high level. All of our third grade students will be performing on Title 1 night on April 20. Fifth grade students have been working with Ms. Ginestre on their songs for Title 1 night. All fifth grade students will be performing songs about Hameline. Fourth and sixth grade students have been working hard on their composition pieces and they are almost complete. Kindergarten, first, and second grade students are learning songs about spring, while reviewing dynamics and tempo and learning how to give appropriate feedback.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH – APRIL JULIA MC MANUS



Julia has primarily worked with small reading groups. She provides students with the enrichment opportunity of reading and discussing chapter books. Julia also reads with students who need extra help with fluency. Julia has helped a couple of students who have struggled at times and helps them catch up on missing homework. Julia will jump in and do anything that is needed within the classroom per teacher direction; for example, if they're doing a science experiment, Julia will pass out materials and keep students focused. If some students need help with a writing assignment, Julia will provide guidance. Julia is very proactive and seems to know exactly what needs to be done and she just does it. An added bonus is that the students all love working with her! They literally beg to be in a group with Julia on the days she comes to class. Some of her personal hobbies are hiking, volunteering and biking. She is a member of the AZ Bicycle Club and has recently hiked the Grand Canyon from the North Rim to the South Rim in one day. This is her first year as a volunteer at MM but has also volunteered at Solano Elementary School in the past. She greatly enjoys watching the students appreciate and understand the book they are reading. Julia is a Canadian who has loved living in AZ since 1998.



3RD QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

AWARDS –

6TH GRADE - Academic Achievement

Kimberly A.	Max C.
Valtina D.	Khalia E.
Duncan M.	Carmen S.
Priscilla A.	Emily A.
Maryam K.	Izabelle M.
Angelica S.	Savannah S.
Kamee W.	Tyler W.
Alina D.	Mariana D.
Luis P.	James M.
Tatum N.	Jessica G.
Victoria C.	

Principal's List

Merna A.	Alexis C.
Shane D.	Elizabeth D.
Claudja G.	Tre H.
David M.	Tiffany N.
Natalia N.	Alan R.
Aron S.	Fatima S.
Patrick Z.	Joshua A.
Jesus A.	Kaily A.
Ethan C.	Alexandra C.
Jacob G.	Valeria H.
Amilynn J.	Matthew M.
Eric M.	Euriah T.
Camille S.	Niya R.
Ryver K.	Naima N.
Faith A.	Connor B.
Ezequiel R.	Aiden T.

Honor Roll

Nimbrid M.	Mallory B.
Colton G.	Braeden N.
Loraina P.	Randall M.
Benjamin A.	Brian V.

5TH GRADE - Academic Achievement

Madisyn H.	Betzi H.
Halle J.	Elie N.
Yoselin H.	Mary Jane R.
Alexianna L.	Tamara A.
Gladis C.	Kaci L.
Savanah P.	Bryan H.
Abigail M.	Chris R.

Principal's List

Eddie G.	Jyan P.
Daniella R.	Miah L.
Jaden C.	Andrew C.
Elizabeth K.	Jazmin N.
Dantay N.	Gabriel R.
Klohe W.	Sylas W.
Rachael B.	Tra'Zure J.
Cody J.	Charley K.
Tessa N.	Elizabeth A.
Selena C.	Shanelle D.
Izhannae F.	Farah M.
Melanie S.	Isaak M.
Cesar N.	Ciro S.

Honor Roll

Isabella D.	Marleena M.
Cody N.	Sammy E.
Hamza S.	Destiny U.
Madeline M.	Delani R.
Kai C.	Dillon G.
Shawna K.	Amy L.
Daisy R.	Angelica S.
Olivia V.	

4TH GRADE - Academic Achievement

Tanasyah G.	Kimberly N.
Antonio S.	Thomas D.
Dellanna H.	Tracie J.
Daisy R.	Alex S.
Naveda J.	Alek C.
Lillian K.	Juan M.
Gianna M.	Charvan V.
Daisyonna C.	Christena E.
Nathan J.	Mary-Kathryn S.
Rachael T.	Isabel T.
Martiseyo Y.	Nicholas S.

Principal's List

Mateja E.	Ammon G.
Madison M.	McKenzie T.
Kevin A.	Mariyah G.
Estefany M.	Taylah B.
Gauge G.	Marisa M.
Christopher P.	Ryder P.
Aaliyah R.	Jordyn Y.
Angel B.	Nathaniel C.
Kayla M.	Noel M.
Andraya R.	Emily S.
Anthony Y.	Jet B.

Honor Roll

Jenna H.	Brian M.
Brandon R.	Sondra S.
Jeffery T.	Gabriel V.
Evan C.	Elizabeth R.
Christopher S.	Daniel S.
Alex G.	Alicia R.
Jesus T.	

3RD GRADE - Academic Achievement

Azrielle B.	Milan C.
Joseph D.	Arturo N.
Linda R.	Broneel A.
Austin H.	

Principal's List

Alex D.	Alexa H.
Angela T.	Elizabeth A.
Uriel A.	Austin B.
Alyssa M.	Ceselia W.
Victoria E.	Anaya M.
Jeremiah M.	Aidaliz R.
Arianna W.	

Honor Roll

Jordan C.	Lucas D.
Hennesys M.	Brissa M.
Ayden R.	Elena T.
Maivyhn Y.	Isaiah B.
Dylan C.	Emanuel D.
Narale G.	Kobie N.
Jayden S.	Spogmai S.
Rachel T.	Murtdhda A.
Yesenia B.	Jordyn H.
Ethan H.	Bryan M.
Ashley P.	Audrey S.
Ismael S.	

