



Moon Mountain School Newsletter

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Message from the Principal

Thank you for meeting with your child's teacher at our recent parent-teacher conferences! I hope we were able to meet your expectations in celebrating growth, sharing information and answering any questions or concerns you may have had. We look forward to the scheduled conferences, but also encourage you to reach out and contact us anytime you have a question or concern. It is important children understand we are working together to see that their needs are being met.

Thank you also, to all of you who make an effort to have your children come to school wearing their ID badge. Our ID Badge Program is a District-wide safety initiative. I appreciate your partnering with us in keeping our students safe. In addition to child safety, here are some other uses the badges accomplish.

ID badges are:

- worn here at school all day for safety
- used to check out books in our library
- used to account for lunches in the cafeteria and,
- scanned on and off the school bus to and from school and when leaving campus for a field trip.


As a reminder, only WESD breakaway lanyards or Student of the Month lanyards may be worn.

Thank you to all our service men and women in our community and across the world! WESD schools will be closed on Monday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

The Moon Mountain Turkey Trot/Spirit Assembly is scheduled for Wednesday, November 27. We are looking forward to this annual event with special recognition for our community veterans! Look for the dates of Our Canned Food Drive in the November school calendar and for other scheduled activities.

Dawna Dohogne

Calendar of Events November 2019

- 6 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**
Student Council Meeting 1-1:45 p.m.
- 7 Boys' Basketball Game 4:00 p.m. @ Roadrunner
- 8 2nd Grade Field Trip Desert Outdoor Center
- 11 **Veterans Day- No School**
- 12 Boys' Basketball Game 4:00 p.m.
vs. John Jacobs
Cross Country Meet @ Cave Creek Park
PTSA General Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 13 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**
- 15 Birthday Tables @ lunch
PTSA Family Bingo Night
- 18 Boys Basketball Game 4:00 p.m. vs. Lookout Mountain
- 19 Cross Country Meet @ Moon Mountain
- 20 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**
- 21 Student of the Month Breakfast 
- 26 Cross Country Meet @ Cactus Park
- 27 Turkey Trot Assembly 8:00 a.m.
Turkey Trot 4th-6th 8:45 – 9:15 a.m.
Turkey Trot KG-3rd 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Early Release – 1 p.m.
- 28-29 **Thanksgiving Break-No School**

December 2019

- 2-6 PTSA Holiday Shop
- 4 Sports and Staff Picture Day
Early Release – 1 p.m.
- 6 School Spelling Bee



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TAX CREDIT

You can do something great for the students at Moon Mountain and reduce your tax liability at the same time by making a tax credit donation! You decide where your money goes!

You can donate online with a credit card using this web address: <https://wesdonlinepayments.revtrak.net/tax-credit-donation/#/list>

When you make a school tax credit donation, you are enhancing the education of a child. Your donation can go to the program you specify, or you may permit the school to designate which of its extracurricular programs your donation will support.

REMINDERS TO PARENTS

- Please remember that students are not to be dropped off in the morning before 7:15 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 curbside. 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 designated crosswalks.
- In an effort to minimize disruptions in the classrooms, students will not be released after 2:15 p.m. (12:45 p.m. on Wednesdays) for early sign out.
- Remember that in order for a student to be called out of class to the office and be released, identification must be provided to the office staff.
- The front office will no longer accept phone messages for students during the school day. In an effort to minimize disruptions in the classrooms and confusion for the student and teacher, you will need to make those arrangements before sending your student to school. If there is a change in dismissal procedures, you will need to send in a signed note with your student for the teacher.
- Attendance is very important in ensuring your student's success at school. Please be sure your student is on campus no later than 7:25 a.m. so that they can report to class on time. If your student will be absent for the day please call the attendance line at 602-896-6011 to report this absence
- Students are released at 2:30 p.m. on regular release days and at 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday. Please be on time to pick up your student.



CELEBRATIONS

Students in grades K-6 have classroom parties for special occasions. Parties are generally held the last hour of the school day. Parents will be notified by the homeroom teacher and asked if they would like to contribute. Please contact your child's teacher before sending treats for your child's birthday so that the celebration can be planned into the day's activities.

ANY TREATS THAT ARE BROUGHT IN MUST BE FROM THE WESD-APPROVED FOOD LIST.

Copies of the list are available on the WESD website, our school website and in our front office. Also, since learning is our primary goal, we will not accept balloons, stuffed animals or floral arrangements for individual students.

ART NEWS

All art students have been working on a variety of projects which focus on art fundamentals. The emphasis in November will be "texture" and "color." The sixth grade students had a fun chance to express themselves after a discussion on "Expressionism." Students drew their most terrifying fear and then after studying the painting "The Scream" by Edvard Munch, they added a photo of themselves to their drawing.

We continue to enjoy and experiment with art materials while learning art basics.

Please send in General Mills Box Tops if you have them. They provide essential funds for the materials needed for the art program.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH – OCTOBER

Mario R.	Lucy M.	Vanessa D.
Riley F.	Jai'K'Quan P.	Marissa S.
Dariana B.	Lily D.	Janyce M.
Talan P.	Aldean T.	Ty'aun G.
Rudy B.	Joaquin G.	Daniela A.
Jeffrey E.	Johanna L.	Joseph D.
Jermaine N.	Maaz F.	



1ST GRADE NEWS

We just finished conferences and it was great to meet with each of you. You are your child's most important teacher and we are excited to partner with you this year! Also, the Fall Party was a success! Students worked through several stations and made "dirt pudding" and "spider cookies." They participated in make-a-ten with candy corn and candy corn pumpkins. They also played sight word bingo, roll-a-pumpkin and created crafts. We had a great day! Mark your calendar! Our Reindeer Ruckus is right around the corner on December 18. We thank you for your donations and your time!

6TH GRADE NEWS

Moon Mountain's sixth graders had the opportunity to participate and take part in Tonto Creek's STEM Camp last spring. We experienced well-organized activities like a hike to a waterfall, building solar powered ovens, a great stem race (race around the world style) and team building activities like a low ropes courses. Not to mention, students had the unique opportunity of learning from two ASU astronomy doctoral candidates. They observed the night sky with high-powered telescopes. The students enjoyed the food and complimented it often. They enjoyed being out on the open air and developing deeper friendships that became



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more meaningful. The teachers and chaperones enjoyed learning along with the students and that the camp leaders were so well prepared to lead the learning activities. We are excited to inform you that we will be taking this trip with our sixth graders this year as well. We will hold an informative meeting on how your child can participate in this exciting opportunity. We will send a flyer home with the meeting details in Thursday folders.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-6TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Laila A., Narale G., Ashley P., Teddy W., Elizabeth A., Jordyn H., Angelica J., Bryan M., Hennesys M., Brissa M., Arturo N., Linda R., Arianna W., Yesenia C., Austin H., Mariana A., Jeremiah M., Joseph D.

PRINCIPAL LIST:

Nathan D., Glorie V., McKenna E., Mariyah M., Alexa H., Uriel A., Angela T., Jadah H., Victoria W., Kassey W., Lucas D., Yesenia B., Daveigh A., Victoria E., Antoine F., Emma F., Ethan H., Taelor K., Tremaine N., Audrey S., Leilania T., Maivvhn Y., Jessica N., Emely F., Anaya M., Yousef Y., Brynn B., Courtney S., Isabella L., Aylin G., Rafia S., Kayla F. Rocio G.

HONOR ROLL:

Jermaine N., Eden S., Ty'aun G., Rudy B., Katherine B., Amaiya F., Rachel T., Alex D., Daniela A., Isaiah A., Jacqueline A., Jack H., Matiullah F., Giada F.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-5TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Victoria M., Braden P., Aliziah W., Brady R., Aurora K., Carlee H.

PRINCIPAL LIST

Hunter C., Janyce M., Javier P., Brayden S., Twilight S., Trenton W., Samuel F., Edson P., Mircel B., Faye H., Richard H., Melani R., Lilian R., Justin G., Makaylah C., Cornelio E., Jesse G., Chloe M., Fatima A., Sherman C., Maria B., Kobee B., Kaylee D., Aldean T., Trey G, Jackson B., Riley W., Kitty B.

HONOR ROLL

Gabrielle A., Kellie C., Antonio N., Sophia P., Emma V., Nikolas F., Nathalie F., Sarah D., Talan P., Sarah M., Leaila A., Ailyn A., Risi P., Jamie P., Sebastien M., Delany W., Mariaelena R., Jetzibe M., Alexis B., Jeweleanna A., Nancy S.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-4TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Jacob D., Marissa S., Jenna M.

PRINCIPAL LIST

Zaylen M., Bernard B., Robert G., Adiel O., Eddie G., Luke K., Deven F., Adela M., Dominik F., Bella G., Rashel G., Giovanni A., Nicholas C., Aiden G., Emily P., Dylan F., Eliah B.

HONOR ROLL

Jordan A., Autumn A., Zariah H., Brian L., Omar G., AJ G., Raul S., Johanna B., Ian B., Isabella D., Meliza R., Shirley S., RJ W., Izzy Y., Michael P., Gianna C., Lily D.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-3RD GRADE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Mario R., Trisha H., Lucy M., Sierra M., Bethany C., Michaela D., Cailynn P.

PRINCIPAL LIST

Ja'Mila N., Yaretzi P., Jayson C., Sally I., Santos A., Aidan B., Addyson B., Curtis S., Jonathan M., Amelia S., Nicole M., Eleanor E., Sheri B., Seif E., Marlon S., Vanessa D., Osvaldo H., Aerolyn S., Kevin L., Ricky L., Isaiah K., Weston G., Zariyah W., Jeffrey E., Riley F., David M., Evangelina M., Zachary N., Joshua S., Jai'K'Quan P., Devaughn P.

HONOR ROLL

Phillip G., Michael M., Jessie-Lei M., Maribel A., Jacob P., Amelia W., Jayden H., William R., Vanessa R., William R., Vanessa R., Andres A., Lizbeth I., Maximus D., Jordan H., Austin P., Yaretzi J., Marcos H., Emiliano A., Brian A., Michael C., Aaliyah E., Rylee H., Emma M., Juan R., Abraham R., Alexander S., Leylanie E.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

6TH GRADE

Wesley D., Lucas D., Jadah H., Eden S., Kassey W., Elizabeth A., Victoria E., Antonie F., Leilania T., Brynn B., Joseph D., Jeremiah M., Elena T.

5TH GRADE

Gabreille A., Dominic N., Javier P., Elicia T., Alexis V., Jesse G., Aurora K., Annabella T., Trey G., Donovan N., Jamie P., Glenn S., Nancy S., Delaney W.

4TH GRADE

Jordan A., Rashel G., Izabella G., Omar G., Zariah H., Luke K., Brian L., Landon M., Marissa S., Cooper W., Nicholas C., Adam S., Gianna C., Lily D., Dylan F., Jenna M.

3RD GRADE

Sheri B., Eleanor E., Jacob P., Jacob P., Marlon S., Sierra M., Acacia S., Anthony C., Michaela D., Jeffrey E., David M., Cailynn P., Alexander S., Ariana T., Tristan R.

2ND GRADE

Santiago A., Jayro V., Colin B., Daphne D., Paisley K., Sydney M., Timothy O., Owen B.

1ST GRADE

Wrigley D., Andrea N., Julie S., Nathan W., Eric G. Isabella A., Allyson M., Beccalynn M., Jamari S., Jayson A.

KINDERGARTEN

Piper D., Madelyn B., Alejandro F., Zayden J., Leila V., Habiba B., Manuel C.



MMPTSA NEWS

Join us for family bingo night NOVEMBER 15 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. PTSA will provide free popcorn and there will be other snacks available for purchase.

HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP

The Holiday Gift Shop is coming very soon. If you would like to volunteer to help please email PTSA at mmptsa@hotmail.com.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Barro's Pizza Night!

Have you joined PTSA yet? Your \$10 membership helps support the many events MM PTSA sponsors. Membership forms can be found in the office or on the MM PTSA newsletter.

FRY'S FOOD SHOPPERS

Did you know that you can help raise money for Moon Mountain just by shopping at FRY'S FOOD STORES?

Please read below to see how your purchases can benefit our students just by linking your Fry's Rewards Card to Moon Mountain!

If you have not linked your account to our school, please do so! It's a FREE PROGRAM and helps our PTSA organization with funds for students and teachers.

These are the easy steps you need to follow and you'll soon be helping to support our Moon Mountain Coyotes each time you shop at Fry's and scan your rewards card!

1. Go to www.FrysCommunityRewards.com
2. Click on the 'Sign In' button. If you do not have a Fry's account yet, click on the 'Register' button and follow the steps to create a free account.
3. When you are signed in, go to the 'Account Summary' section on the menu bar and access COMMUNITY REWARDS.
4. Click on 'Edit' under Community Rewards.
5. Under 'Find Your Organization,' enter the following number: FF303 or you can search with the keywords 'Moon Mountain PTSA.'
6. Under 'Select Your Organization', click on the circle next to your organization.
7. Click on 'Enroll'
8. If you have re-enrolled correctly, you should see a green box with 'Your enrollment in the Community Rewards Program has been updated. Thank you for participating!' You will also see the information listed under 'Community Rewards' on your Account Summary page.

THANKS FOR SUPPORTING MOON MOUNTAIN SCHOOL!

RECYCLING PROGRAM

We are excited to announce that MMPTSA will be sponsoring two more COMMUNITY RECYCLING PROGRAMS this school year! We had such a great response to the recycling program for plastic caps and lids for our buddy benches last year that we wanted to continue our students' efforts.

PROJECT ONE: We have decided to collect and donate used crayons to [The Crayon Initiative](#), a non-profit organization that collects donated crayons from restaurants, schools and homes across the country, melts them down, and remanufactures them which reduces waste and keeps them out of landfills. Better yet, the recycled crayons are distributed to art programs at children's hospitals to enrich the lives of hospitalized children through art and imagination.

PROJECT TWO: We have also decided to collect used batteries for local recycling to help keep harmful chemicals out of landfills and our drinking water.

Please help us to collect these two items and foster our students' enjoyment of recycling and helping others. Classrooms will have collection tubs for crayons. Collection tubs for batteries will be placed in the front office and by Miss Kyra's classroom. **If your batteries have started to corrode, please place them in a plastic baggie so your children will not touch the chemicals when bringing them to school!**

Flu Update and Information

Did you know that flu is more common in children than in adults? This is probably because, compared to adults, children have had less lifetime exposure to influenza and therefore don't have as much natural immunity to it.

Symptoms

Watch for these symptoms:

- Rapid onset of high fever
- Dry cough
- Chills
- Muscle aches
- Headaches
- Vomiting, nausea, or diarrhea in young children

If Your Child Is Sick

If you suspect your child has the flu, consult your doctor and encourage fluids. Children should stay home to rest and avoid giving the flu to others. Keep your child home from school until his or her temperature has been normal for 24 hours.

Educate Your Kids

You can prevent the flu (and other illnesses) by practicing good hand washing. Protect your family by teaching your kids the proper way to wash their hands. Remind your child to cover his or her mouth or nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing to protect others. Teach your child to throw away tissues and properly wash his or her hands.

