



Moon Mountain School Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed the winter break and found time to rest, relax and rejuvenate. It is a well needed break for all; however, we truly missed the students and their beautiful smiling faces!

Last week in the *Go Home Folder*, you should have found your child's report card for the second quarter. Congratulations to those students who received Perfect Attendance and/or Honor Roll, Principal List, or Academic Achievement Awards!

Parents, please review the report card with your child; contact your child's teacher if you have immediate questions or concerns. Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Tuesday, February 4 through Friday, February 7. These four days will be **EARLY DISMISSAL** days for our students. You should have received an e-mail invitation from your child's classroom teacher providing you with a link to select a time and date for a Parent/Teacher Conference. If your e-mail address has changed, or if you have not received an e-mail invitation, please contact the school office.

I hope you find the Thursday "Go Home" folder to be an efficient way to stay connected with what is happening on our campus and reinforce responsible student behaviors. It is important that you sign-off and that your child returns the folder to the homeroom teacher on Friday. We are always looking for ways to strengthen the home-school connection. Teachers are looking for your signature but you are always free to jot additional comments too! Thanks again for all you do to partner with teachers and staff on our campus.


Kind regards,

Dawna Dohogne

Calendar of Events January 2020

- 30 Student of the Month Breakfast 7:30 a.m.
STEM Night 4:15-6:15 p.m.
- 31 Girls' BB Game @ MM 4:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- 3 Laugh and Learn WRIC 1:00-2:15 p.m.
Valentine Gram Sale
- 4 **Parent Teacher Conferences- Early Release – 1:00 p.m.**
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- 10 Girls' BB @ Acacia 4:00 p.m.
Laugh and Learn WRIC 1:00-2:15 p.m.
- 11 Girls' BB @ Sunburst 4:00 p.m.
- 12 **Early Release – 1:00 p.m.**
Student Council Meeting - 2:40-3:15 p.m.
Laugh and Learn WRIC 1:00-2:15 p.m.
- 17 **President's Day - No School**
- 18 Girls' BB @ MM 4:00 p.m.
- 19 **Early Release – 1:00 p.m.**
- 21 Birthday Tables
Girls' BB @ MM 4:00 p.m. 
- 25 Girls' BB @ MM 4:00 p.m.
- 27 Student of the Month Breakfast
First Grade Field Trip Children's Museum



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DROP OFF/ PICK UP PROCEDURES

When dropping off and picking up students please remain in the lane closest to the school and avoid use of cell phones!

Parents, please DO NOT drop off students in the parking lot unless you are physically parking your vehicle and walking your child across the crosswalk.

The parking lot is not an appropriate or SAFE drop off area!

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.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We are back and right into the regular swing of kindergarten life. **Can your child count to 100?** No? This is a good goal to work toward with your child. Count in the car, in the bathtub or on your way to school. Make counting as high as he/she can the new family game! Yes? Can he or she recognize numbers to 100 (out of order) or even write to 100? Challenge your child and make him/her the best he or she can be! Math is a concept that your child will use FOREVER and right now they are learning the very basics. Let's help your student love math and feel confident from the start!

THIRD GRADE NEWS

Happy New Year! As the year begins, we are starting fractions in math and will be working on them for a while. The students continue to show growth in their fact fluency. The goal for third grade is to memorize through their ten's. Please encourage your children to practice their math facts at home. They can use flash cards, a deck of playing cards or dice to learn their facts. If you would like some ideas, please feel free to ask any of the third grade teachers. In science and social studies, the students are finishing National symbols and moving toward a plant life science unit. We will be learning about animal and plant life and even planting our own bean plant! Start saving your shoe boxes and bring those in for one of our science projects.

TAX CREDIT:

Giving back is easy! Make a tax credit donation to Moon Mountain Elementary School and receive a dollar-for-dollar reduction in your state income taxes! Taxpayers may receive up to a \$400 tax credit if filing jointly (\$200 if filing single) on their State income taxes by contributing to one of Washington Elementary School District's extracurricular activity programs.

All tax credit donations will be designated for extracurricular activities. These activities may include: before- and after-school band clubs; classes; sports programs; and non-recreational field trips. Extracurricular programs provide positive learning experiences for children. For more information, visit www.wesdschools.org/taxcredit. Thank you for your continued support!

READ ACROSS AMERICA 2020'

It's time to break out the infamous red-and-white-striped, stove-pipe hats and your favorite books because the annual Read Across America celebration is nearly here! Read Across America is celebrated every year on March 2, Theodor Geisel's birthday – better known to millions as Dr. Seuss.

Now in its 23rd year, Read Across America is an annual reading motivation and awareness program sponsored by the National Education Association that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on or around Dr. Seuss's birthday. The event's purpose is to motivate children to read and focus the country's attention on the importance of reading.

This year's theme is "Grab Your Hat and Read With the Cat." To help us celebrate, the Washington Elementary School District is inviting parents, community leaders and neighborhood partners into the classroom to read to students.

If you love to read and enjoy children, then Read Across America is the volunteer opportunity for you. Whether you bring your favorite book or need a book provided for you, we invite you to share your love of reading with our students.

VALENTINE GRAMS

The Moon Mountain Student Council is selling Valentine Grams. Valentine Grams will go home on Thursday, January 30 in the Go-Home folder. If you would like to send your child a special Valentine message, please complete the Valentine Gram and return it to school along with **\$.50 by Friday, February 7**. Valentine Grams will also be on sale in the cafeteria on Monday, February 3 through Friday, February 7. On February 14, the message will be delivered to your child, along with a Valentine lollipop.