



Moon Mountain School Newsletter

Nurture the Spark * Cultivate Potential * Guide the Journey

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Message from the Principal

I hope that we were able to meet your expectations in sharing information and answering any questions or concerns you may have had at your Parent Teacher Conference. We look forward to the scheduled conferences but we also want to encourage you to reach out and contact us anytime you have a question or concern. It is important that children understand that we are working together to see that their needs are being met.

Thank you 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 Districtwide Safety Initiative and I want you to know how much I appreciate you for partnering with us to keep our children safe. In addition to child safety, here are some other things the badges accomplish which is why they are so important.

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.



Although the ID the badge has been used for other purposes during the school day, please know that the District wide initiative has always been student safety.

The Moon Mountain Turkey Trot/Spirit Assembly and Canned Food/Copy Paper Drive, with special recognition for our community Veterans, is scheduled for Wednesday, November 21. We are looking forward to this annual event. Check out the calendar for other scheduled activities.

Thank you to all our service men and women in our community and across the world. The schools will be closed on Monday, November 12 in observance of Veterans Day.

Sue Brown

Calendar of Events November 2018

5	Boys' Basketball Game 4:00p.m. vs. Roadrunner	
6	Student Council Meeting 2:40-3:15p.m. Cross Country Meet @ Mountain View	
7	Early Release – 1 p.m.	
8	Student of the Month Breakfast Boys' Basketball Game 4:00p.m. @ Shaw Butte	
9	Picture Retakes Birthday tables at lunch for November Family Movie Night 6:00-7:30p.m.	
12	Veterans Day- No School	
13	Cross Country Meet @ Acacia Park PTSA General Meeting 6:30p.m.	
14	Early Release – 1 p.m.	
15	2 nd Grade Field Trip Pioneer Living History Museum	
16	5 th Grade Field Trip Arizona Science Center Boys Basketball Game 4:00p.m. vs. Washington	
19	Boys Basketball Game 4:00p.m. vs. Lookout Mountain	
20	Cross Country Meet @ Sunburst Student Council Meeting 2:40-3:15p.m.	
21	Spirit Assembly - Turkey Trot Early Release – 1 p.m.	
22-23	Thanksgiving Break-No School	
27	Cross Country Meet @ Moon Mountain	
28	Early Release – 1 p.m.	
29	Student of the Month Breakfast	
December 2018		
5	Sports and Staff Picture Day Early Release – 1 p.m. Office Closes at 1:30 for Staff Meeting	
6	School Spelling Bee	
7	Birthday tables at lunch for December	



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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!



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 crosswalk in front of the school.
- 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)
- Remember that in order for a student to be called to the office and be released, identification must be provided to the office staff.



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

"This month in art our fifth and sixth graders have been learning about surrealism. Surrealism is an art movement that began in the 1920s and is known for its imaginative, silly and fantasy artworks. A lot of surrealism artwork is based on the artist's memories and dreams. Students have been discussing and analyzing artworks by artists like Salvador Dali and Rene Magritte. They will be creating their own surrealist drawing based on their own dreams and thoughts."

STUDENT OF THE MONTH – OCTOBER

Adela M.	Brian L.	Marissa S.
Edson P.	Carlee H.	Lidia R.
Elena T.	Yesenia C.	Ashley P.
Emily G.	Daisyonna C.	Elizabeth R.



NEWS FROM OUR SOCIAL WORKER

This quarter's character trait at Moon Mountain is **honesty** and **respect**. Being **Honest** means being truthful. Being truthful means not lying, cheating or stealing. We can show honesty by telling the truth when someone asks us a question, not taking something that is not ours, or by not stretching the truth or leaving out certain things to make what we are telling sound better.

"Honesty and loyalty are key. If two people can be honest with each other about everything, that's probably the biggest key to success." -Taylor Lautner
Being **Respectful** is treating others the way I want to be treated. Being considerate is honoring the feelings, opinions, and property of others. Self-respect- Being good to myself and not putting myself down; taking care of myself. Self-discipline- Making responsible choices in what I say and do to reach my personal goals.

"Without feelings of respect, what is there to distinguish men from beasts?" – Confucius

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 19. 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 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



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send a flyer home with the meeting details in Thursday folders.

MMPTSA NEWS

Join us for family movie night NOVEMBER 9!

Doors open at 5:30 - movie at 6:00 p.m.

Incredibles 2 is the FREE movie

Pizza, popcorn, drinks, and candy will be available for sale.

The movie will be shown in the cafeteria so bring your lawn chairs, pillows and blankets to be comfy during the movie.

BOTTLE CAPS

MM PTSA is sponsoring a recycling bottle cap drive. Student Council

will be weighing the caps and charting the drive. The bottle caps will be recycled into 2 Buddy Benches that will be installed next year.

HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP

The Holiday Gift Shop is coming very soon. We are looking for someone

to Chair this event. You will have lots of help and guidance. If you would

like to chair this event, let someone on the MM PTSA board know or email us 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

Link your loyalty card to MM PTSA and Fry's will donate to us every time you shop.

Go to the Fry's website. Click on Saving and Rewards. Scroll to the bottom for Community Rewards member and link your card to MM PTSA.

Thank you to everyone who supports MM PTSA with your membership, volunteering and donations.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-6TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Lillian K., Kimberly N., Mary-Kathryn S., Charvan V., Martiseyo Y., Daisyonna C., Nathaniel C., Antonio S., Alex S., Ashley M., Kevin N.

PRINCIPAL LIST:

Mateja E., Gabriel V., Isabel T., Persia S., Marcy R., Brooklyn N., Ryan K., Angel B., Rylee B., Anthony B., Emiliano C., Noe G., Mariyah G., Sintia L., Kayla M., Alexavier M., Madison M., Gianna M., Marisa M., Christopher P., Ryder P., Daisy R., Brandon R., Emily S., Jeffery T., Gauge W., Nicolas S., Elizabeth R., Alexa P., Anthony N., Dellanna H., Jared G., Jaylee D., Evan C., James B., Antonio C.

HONOR ROLL:

Noah V., Chris S., Sondra S., Alicia R., Anthony R., Jaylen M., Noel M., Jennah H., Emily G., Jiovanny D., Landon C., Lizbeth C., Jet B.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-5TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Milan C., Joseph D., Jeremiah M., Spogmai S., Angela T., Angelica J., Audrey S., Austin H., Arturo N., Arianna W.

PRICIPAL LIST

Uriel A., Jordyn H., Alexa H., Linda R., Elena T., Laila A., Elizabeth A., Yesenia B., Yesenia C., Lucas D., Ethan H., Brissa M., Anaya M., Jessica S., Murtdhda A., Nia A., Azrielle B., Matthew C., Victoria E., Teddy W., Narale G., Jadah H., Hennesys M., Destiny N., Ashley P.

HONOR ROLL

Rudy B., McKenna E., Antwain F., Paola R., Ayden R., Kassey W., Maivyhn Y., Isaiah A., Jacqueline A., Emely F., Shanel K., Emily L., Bryan M., Jermaine N., Yousef Y., Erick G., Taelor K., Stephen L., Xavier S., Ismael S., Mordesky T.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-4TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Aurora K., Braden P., Hunter C., Cornelio E., Kahlin F., Aliziah W.

PRICIPAL LIST

Taylynn B., Kobee B., Makaylah C., Kaylee D., Harrell C., Risi P., Edson P., Ailyn A., Gabreilla D., Trey G., Carlee H., Sahra S., Jackson B., Brayden S., Trenton W.

HONOR ROLL

Kitty B., Sophia P., Javier P., Melani R., Jane R., Jimmie T., Brady R., Kaleb R., Jewelanna A., Maria B., Chloe M., Antonio N., Lillian P., Mariaelena R.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-3RD GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Dylan F., Adela M., Jacob D., Eliah B., Jenna M., Marissa S.

PRICIPAL LIST

Zainab A., Giovanni A., Nicholas C., Robert G., Reynaldo G., Irael Y., Brittney A., Luke K., Adiel O., Shirley S., Emily P., Melody R., Sean R., Charles S., RJ W.

HONOR ROLL

Jordan A., Bernard B., Rashel G., Zaylen M., Jacob V., Lily D., Omar G., Sam H., Ghislai J., Brian L., Meliza R., Johanna B., Zachary H., Kaylin M., Mercedes V.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

6TH GRADE

Emily G., Lillian K., Gabriel V., Charvan V., Emiliano S., Noe G., Madison M., Gianna M., Alex N., Roxi P., Emily S., Jeremias E., Alexandru S., Antonio S., Nicolas S.

5TH GRADE

Milan C., Wesley D., Joseph D., McKenna E., Angela T., Kassey W., Laila A., Isaiah A., Elizabeth A., Emely F., Angelica J., Emily G., Bryan M., Matiullan F., Brissa L.,



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Yousef Y., Murtdhda A., Victoria E., Rose J., Taelor K., Destiny N., Arianna W.

4TH GRADE

Aurora K., Javier P., Caleb S., Jamie P., Talan P., Calie S., Elicia T., Alexis S., Leaila A., Antonio N., Joshua P., Lidia C., Brayden S.

3RD GRADE

Jordan A., Nicholas C., Dylan F., Rashed G., Jacob V., Alexander B., Lily D., Jacob H., Dominik F., Ghislain J., Elias H., Maaz F., Kaylin M., Jenna M., Charles S.

2ND GRADE

Sheri B., Luccia M., Yarezi R., Lucian M., Angelina A., Jayson D., Derek P., Abraham B., Alexander S., Emiliano A., Kevin H., Denise M., Sierra M., Jacob P., Isabelle P., Luz C., Ariana T., Christopher F.

1ST GRADE

Faith A., Allyson M., Gage B., Sean S., Elias S., Aiden M.

KINDERGARTEN

Victor B., Allyson M., Lylah Y., Andrea N., Beccalynn M., Julie S.

MobyMax

We are excited to implement a new web-based curriculum called MobyMax in our classrooms. MobyMax is tailored to your child's individual needs, and I think you will be very impressed by how fast your child will excel while using Moby. Moby's features include:

- Placement tests that accurately identify where your child excels, and "missing skills"
- Targeted instruction to "fill-in" those missing skills
- Systematic review sessions that ensure that your child retains what he or she has learned

Best of all, your child can access Moby from your home computer at any time. Contact your child's teacher for more information about using MobyMax at home.

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.

BUDDY BENCH SERVICE PROJECT

Moon Mountain PTSA has wanted to save money to purchase a buddy bench for each of our playgrounds for a few years. If you don't know already, *a buddy bench is a safe place where a child can sit if they feel lonely, left out, new to our school or bullied.* Other children will recognize that someone needs a "buddy" and can approach the child(ren) on the bench to include them in a game or activity. At the end of last year, we learned about a plastics company that creates these types of benches for organizations by including children in the collecting and sorting of plastic caps and lids!

This partnership program is going to provide our students with an amazing experience of collecting caps and lids to promote living green/recycling, working collectively to sort and weigh the lids and building community by including other children to play when they feel left out! It's a win-win for everyone!

Each classroom, and a few common areas, will have a bucket to collect acceptable caps and lids. Student Council students will plan to collect caps and lids from each classroom at least one time per week. The caps & lids will be sorted on a regular basis making sure that they're acceptable and clean. They will work on weighing and storing them until we have enough for our two benches.

ACCEPTABLE CAPS:

medicine bottle caps, drink bottle caps, milk jug caps, flip-top and spout caps (from ketchup or mustard bottles), detergent caps, shampoo or conditioner caps, hair product caps, toothpaste caps, Chapstick or lip balm caps, ointment tube caps, deodorant caps, Go-Go caps, glue stick caps, spray paint caps, caps w/ RECYCLE NUMBERS of ②, ④, or ⑤

ACCEPTABLE LIDS:

cottage cheese container lids, Cool Whip container lids, mayonnaise jar lids, coffee can lids, yogurt lids, cream cheese container lids, peanut butter jar lids, Pringles lids, butter container lids, ice cream bucket lids under 8", makeup lids (cleaned), and Playdoh lids.



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