



Moon Mountain School Newsletter

Nurture the Spark * Cultivate Potential * Guide the Journey

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Message from the Principal

Thank you for partnering with teachers and the school during Parent/Teacher Conferences. Strengthening the home-school connection is important and good for children. Time is moving by quickly and progress reports for the second quarter will be coming home in a few weeks. Please e-mail or call with any questions, concerns or clarification. We plan to use the online conference scheduler in the spring. Please notify your child's teacher if your e-mail address changes before our February conferences.

Congratulations to all our Perfect Attendance and Academic Award Winners. Student achievement was recognized and celebrated last week during grade level assemblies. Please take a minute to read the names of students included in our newsletter receiving awards this quarter. Academic Awards are calculated using the following criteria.

- Academic Excellent - 1.0 grade point average no N's or U's
- Principal List – 1.1 - 1.5 grade point average no N's or U's
- Honor Roll - 1.6 – 2.0 grade point average no N's or U's

Perfect Attendance is awarded to students that are at school every day, arrive on-time and are not pulled out early. The school is required to document all tardies and/or when a student leaves campus before the end of the day. Last month we documented 788 late arrivals or early departures. Please help us reduce that number by planning ahead.


The Moon Mountain Turkey Trot and Canned Food/Copy Paper Drive is scheduled for Wednesday, November 22. The purpose of the Turkey Trot is to encourage physical fitness while teaching the importance of community service and to have FUN! All participants will be in a grade-level turkey drawing. Students who bring in a canned food item and/or a ream of paper will receive an extra turkey drawing ticket. All students, staff and community members are encouraged to participate. Cory McCloskey from Channel 10 News is also scheduled to join us for an assembly before the Turkey Trot.

Thank you to all our service men and women in our community and across the world. Have a safe and restful day as we celebrate Veterans Day.

Sue Brown



Calendar of Events November 2017

- 13 Basketball Game @ Lookout Mountain- 4 p.m.
- 14 Cross Country Meet @ Acacia park- 4:15 p.m.
- 15 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**
- 16 Birthday Table 
- 17 Hearing & Vision Rescreens
Basketball Game @ Moon Mountain- 4 p.m.
- 20 Basketball Game @ Sunburst- 4 p.m.
- 21 Cross Country Meet @ Sunburst- 4:15 p.m.
Grandparents Day
- 22 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**
Spirit Assembly
Turkey Trot
Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast
- 23-24 **Thanksgiving Holiday- NO SCHOOL**
- 28 Cross Country Meet @ Moon Mountain
- 29 **Early Release – 1 p.m.**

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



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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.



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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're 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. (1:45 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 our 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.



STUDENT OF THE MONTH – OCTOBER

Carlee H.	Ryder P.	Hennesys M.
Hunter C.	Aiden H.	Persia S.
Angeleacia C.	Gage S.	Abby M.
Taileen J.	Karina L.	
Aidaliz R.	Jaylin G.	



COOKIES WITH CODY – OCTOBER

Aaliyah H.	Aiden S.	Shanelle D.
Jeweleana A.	Mateja E.	Abdullah L.
Melani R.	Ritaj A.	
Banen O.	Yuliana V.	
Ethan L.	Shawn R.	
McKenna E.	Delaney P.	

NEWS FROM OUR SOCIAL WORKER

This month's character trait at Moon Mountain is honesty. 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



1ST GRADE NEWS

We just finished conferences and it was great to meet with each of you. Also, the Fall Party was a success! Students worked through seven 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 and roll-a-pumpkin. Finally, students made an owl or spider craft to bring home. 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 send a flyer home with the meeting details in Thursday folders.

MM PTSA NEWS

Thank you to everyone who came to Wadass Street Tacos on October 27. We raised \$100 dollars.

Our first ever Grandparents Day will be taking place on November 21. The day will begin with a classroom visit at 8:00 a.m. Come visit your grandchild's classroom and have some coffee and refreshments. Please RSVP attendance.



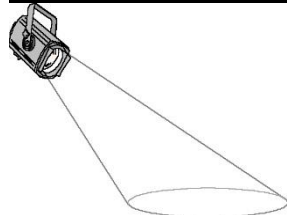
Thank you to the families that came to see the movie Trolls last Friday evening. We have over 100 people attend. A special thanks to Paul Askew for donating his time and equipment to show the movie.

If you haven't joined PTSA, it's not too late! Show your support for all we do with your \$6.00 membership. Forms are available in the office.

ART NEWS

All Moon Mountain Art students have been working to create art from a large variety of mediums while exploring the seven elements of art. We have drawn, painted and worked with clay as we have learned about line, shape, color, texture, value, space and form. Please visit our art that is displayed outside of the art rooms to get a peak at what we have been creating. Most student art is kept in an individual portfolio in the art room, which you as parents, are free to see anytime. Parents, please continue collecting and sending in General Mills Box Tops for Education. We have already collected 6,500 box tops this year. We would like many more. Coming up in December, you and your student will have an opportunity to create art together. The special area teachers and MM PTSA are sponsoring a “Winter Wonderland” night. Watch for upcoming information. Thank you for your support of the arts.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Sue Gallagher:
“Grandma Sue” is an amazing volunteer. She assists our students and classrooms in so many ways. She is extremely patient and encouraging when working

with students. She is incredibly thorough and organized coordinating special events. She steps up to help whenever she anticipates a need. We are very fortunate to have “Grandma Sue” at Moon Mountain!

- Mrs. Potthoff, 3rd Grade

Grandma Sue has been a blessing in my classroom for 4 years now. I get the privilege to work with her every Thursday. She plays many roles in the classroom including preparing Go Home Folders, helping clean up breakfast, and working with students. However, her most important role is being a “grandma” to the children. She truly loves and cares for each child that walks through the door. If something was not donated for a party or event, she makes sure we have it. If a student was not able to bring money for a field trip, she pays for them. If a child is having a bad day, she is there for a hug and to talk if they need it. Grandma Sue’s heart for children, teachers and education is astounding! Our school is very lucky to have her. I especially feel honored to call her Grandma and to see her each week. Thank you Grandma Sue!

-Mrs. Williams, Kindergarten

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-6TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE:

Elizabeth A.	Elizabeth K
Mischa B.	Karina L.
Tra’Zure J.	Eelee, N.
Cody J.	Joshua R.
Halle J.	Jyan P.
Shawna K.	Ciro S.

Elizabeth K.	Jaylin W.
Karina L.	Dillon W.
Eelee, N.	Rachael B.
Joshua R.	Miah L.
Elizabeth A.	Abigail M.
Mischa B.	Cesar N.
Tra’Zure J.	Daniella R.
Cody J.	Christopher R.
Halle J.	Klohe W.
Shawna K.	Sylas W.

PRINCIPAL LIST:

Kai C.	Angelica S.
Mateo C.	Olivia V.
Bella D.	Tamara A.
Christian H.	Jenna D.
Brent K.	Shanelle D.
Jazmin N.	Madisyn H
Cody N.	Tessa N
Kaelyn N.	Dantay N
Gabriel R.	Mary Jane R.
Melanie S.	Dani Y.
Angelica s.	Kayden B.
Olivia V.	Selena C.
Kai C.	Gladis C.
Mateo C.	Nicholas F.
Bella D.	Eddie G.
Christian H.	Abdullah L.
Brent K.	Adam L.
Jazmin N.	Farah M.
Cody N.	Daniel M.
Kaelyn N.	Madeline M.
Gabriel R.	Anthony S.
Melanie S.	

HONOR ROLL:

Andrew C.	Kaci L.
Victoria M.	Angel M.
Daisy R.	Cameron A.
Delaney P.	Michael B.
Andrew C.	Tyrieecia B.
Victoria M.	Cristian D.
Daisy R.	Amy L.
Symirah C.	Delani R.
Bryan H.	Destiny U.
Alexianna L.	

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-5TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Mateja E.	Madison M.
Kimberly N.	Charvan V.
Mariyah T.	Lillian K.
Angel B.	Ammon G.
Ella G.	Andraya R.
Mary Kathryn S.	Antonio S.

PRICIPAL LIST

Kevin A.	Tra’Cie J.
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Ryan K. Brian M.
 Dillion M. Gianna M.
 Christopher P. Nicolas S.
 Jeffery T. Gauge W.
 Jordyn Y. Daisyonna C.
 Nathaniel C. Sheajani R.
 Aiden H. Isabel T.
 Dellanna H. Martiseyo Y.
 Marcy R. Noel M.
 Taylah B. Alek C.
 Evan C. Evan C.
 Naveda J. Kathleen L.
 Kayla M. Ryder P.
 Daisy R. Brandon R.
 Sondra S. Alexandru S.

HONOR ROLL

Marissa D. Tommy H.
 Aaliyah R. Alicia R.
 Persia S. Emily S.
 Elijah H. Christopher S.
 Nadia L. Jesus T.
 Marisa M. Nicholi A.
 Lizbeth C. Sintia L.
 Ashley M.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-4TH GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Arturo N.
 Jeremiah M.

PRICIPAL LIST

Broneel A. Nia A.
 Elizabeth A. Azrielle B.
 Uriel A. Jordan C.
 Milan C. Arianna G.
 Austin H. Aidaliz R.
 Angela T. Lucas D.
 Ashley P. Linda R.
 Violet N. Alexa H.
 Jordyn H.
 Arianna W.
 Joseph D.

HONOR ROLL

Natalie G. Victoria E. Yesenia C.
 Taelor K. Taileen J.
 Audrey S. Franky C.
 Ceselia W. Destiny N.

1ST QUARTER ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS-3RD GRADE

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Antonio N. Kobee B.
 Brayden S. Brayden S.
 Makaylah C. Gabriella D.
 Angeleacia C. Aurora K.
 Braden P. Trey G.

PRICIPAL LIST

Lillian P. Richard H.
 Jane R. Karisma L.
 Carlee H. Chloe M.
 Leaila A. Carmen M.
 Fatima A. Risi P.
 Jeweleana A. Lillian R.
 Jesse G. Nancy S.
 Justin G. Ailyn A.
 Yohan G. Edson P.

HONOR ROLL

Meridian D. Hunter C.
 Nathalie F. Kellie C.
 Sarah M. Anabella T.
 Javier P. Ethan R.
 Zyanya R. Sahra S.
 Jackson B. Trent W.

PERFECT ATTENDENCE:

6TH GRADE

Elizabeth A. Jyan P.
 Shawna K. Tyrieeca B.
 Jazmin N. Cristian D.
 Angelica S. Amy L.
 Olivia V. Daniella R.
 Shanelle D. Hamza S.
 Angel M. Anthony S.

5TH GRADE

Emiliano C. Rebecca P.
 Ryan K. Andraya R.
 Madison M. Nathaniel C.
 Kimberly N. Noe G.
 Nicolas S. Maris M.
 Jeffery T. Marcy R.
 Gavriel V. Christopher R.
 Charvan V. Christopher S.

4TH GRADE

Isaiah A. Taelor K.
 Alex D. Aidaliz R.
 Taileen J. Rachel T.
 Shanel K. Joseph D.
 Kassey W. Mckenna E.
 Broneel A. Erick G.
 Elizabeth A. Alexa H.
 Arianna G. Elena T.

3RD GRADE

Ramel C. Chloe M.
 Antonio N. Jackson, B.
 Elicia T. Gabrietta D.
 Alexis V. Cornelio E.
 Leaila A. Tanis G.
 Jesse G. Aurora K.

2ND GRADE

Jacob D. Luke K.
 Rashel G. Mya L.
 Marie L. Julian L.
 Sean R. Kaylin M.
 Jacob V. Charles S.
 Nicholas C. Eddy J.
 Christian D. Mya L.
 Beleena E. Juan M.

1ST GRADE

Sheri B. Ja'Mila-M.
 Sally I. Miriyam A.
 Lillith L. Brian A.
 Zariyah W. Cristian G.
 David M. Mariam K.
 Kevin L. Alexander S.
 Mikhael M.

KINDERGARTEN

Darla-Rose C.
 Johnson K.
 Santiago A.
 Erika M.
 Joseph S.
 Sydney M.
 Tristan S.
 Roman K.





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