

February Cat Tracks The Official Newsletter of Mt. Vista School

Superintendent's Update

Our students and staff returned from Winter Break ready to work hard and make a positive impact on our school community. We started the new semester by recognizing student achievement during Honor Breakfasts. Students in each grade level and their guests were invited to a special breakfast in our school cafeteria. Certificates were presented to students who earned the Citizenship Award, Perfect Attendance, and Cougar Honor Roll by earning all A and B grades on their report card as well as Principal's Honor Roll for earning all A grades on their report card. Honor Breakfasts are a special occasion enjoyed by students in Grades K-8 at our school and a tradition we look forward to at the beginning of each new academic quarter.

The students and staff at Mountain Vista K-8 School benefit greatly from the generous and supportive volunteers who share their time and talents with us each day. Our District Office is working diligently to ensure that each volunteer has completed the required paperwork to volunteer with school children. We are also planning a Volunteer Orientation to be held for all current volunteers this summer. We will review important information with our volunteers including campus emergency procedures, our campus PBIS (Positive Behaviors Interventions and Supports) Plan and answer any questions that volunteers might have before working with our students.

Our Governing Board and I are committed to implementing the Capital Bond Projects approved by Prop. 439 with absolute transparency and great responsibility for the use of our community's tax dollars. In December, we started the process of hiring an architect firm with an outstanding reputation, experience on projects similar to our proposed projects and that specializes in educational design. We also sought project managers who specialize in managing educational projects. I'm pleased to report that a recommendation for hire will be made to our Governing Board during the February Meeting on February 20. The recommended architect firm and project manager both come with strong reputations for quality work in our community. Updates on the Capital Bond Projects are shared during each Governing Board Meeting on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Mountain Vista K-8 School Library. Our community members are encouraged to attend our Governing Board Meetings.

Mountain Vista K-8 School is a busy place with events scheduled each week! For detailed updates about upcoming events, we invite the community to follow Mountain Vista K-8 School on Facebook. We are looking forward to our first Superintendent's Roundtable Discussion on Tuesday, February 11 at 5:00 PM in the School Library. We will discuss our current math curriculum, its strengths as well as ways that we could improve math instruction at our school. The Roundtable Discussion will be followed by our monthly PTO Meeting at 6:00 PM. Our Mountain Vista community is welcome and encouraged to attend events at our school and we look forward to sharing a fun and fantastic February with each of you!

Crystle Nehrmeyer Superintendent cnehrmeyer@osd2.org 520-896-3074



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2	3	4 Jump Rope for Heart Kick -Off!	5 CDO counse- lors present to 8th Graders during Science Class Early Release	6	7 Governing Board Planning Workshop (all day)	8
9	10	11 Superinten- dent's Roundtable Discussion all about Math 5:00 pm MV Library	12 Early Release	13 Spring Pic- tures and 8th Grade Class Picture Pre- Pay	14 Valentines Day Pinal County Spelling Bee	15
16	17 CDO Pre- Registration Night for 8th Graders At 6:00 pm in MV Library	18 Skateboard Science Assembly for Grades 5-8 at 9:00 am	19 Early Release	20 February Gov- erning Board Meeting at 6:00 pm in MV Library	21 Rodeo Holiday <u>No School</u>	22
23	24	25	26 Early Release	27	28 Father/ Daughter Dance 5:00- 8:00 pm Cafeteria	29



Spare change makes a big difference in the fight against blood cancer!

Beginning February 1st, Mountain Vista students will participate in Pasta for Pennies campaign of **The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society**. We plan to make a big difference in the lives of others. By participating in our school's Pasta for Pennies program, you and your students are joining millions of students across the country that are raising funds to find cures for blood cancers like leukemia. Don't miss the chance to have fun and save lives!

Friends, family and neighbors can all contribute to the classroom and school totals! The program will run from February 3, 2020 thru February 24, 2020.

Olive Garden has generously donated a spaghetti party for the top fundraising classroom!

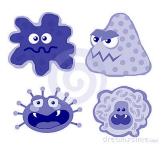


We really appreciate your participation in this endeavor!!

DON'T LET THE FLU GET YOU !! Get your flu shot today!

Effective Immediately , flu vaccines will be available at the Pinal County Health Dept Adults—\$18 Children under 18 Free for most with VFC guidelines Shots available Th &Fri 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

* Walk-Ins Welcome



Mammoth 110 Main St. (866-960-0633 for additional information

SCHOOL NEWS

EARLY DISMISSALS

As you know students are dismissed early on Wednesdays. Students in grades K-8 are dismissed at **12:45** p.m. Lunch is served prior to dismissal.

CONNECTIONS LEARNING CENTER

The Connections Learning Center will be open on every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30-7:30 in the Library **when**

school is in session.

This is open to students in grades 3 through 12⁻ High school tutors will be available to assist in Reading, Writing, Math and Science. Please note that Connections Learning Center is **not** open when school is not in session. For more information you may contact: Connections Learning Center director: **Rick Benavidez** @ **520-591-5941.**

BABY PICTURES

Mrs. V. Smith is collecting baby pictures of 8^{th} graders for the slide show at the promotion ceremony. Please send 3-5 pictures of your 8^{th} grader to Mrs. V. Smith as soon as possible. These pictures will be returned to you. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. V. Smith @ 896-3000 or e-mail at vsmith@osd2.org

BUS PASSES AND YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY

A reminder to parents, students are required to bring a note to the *office* if they need a bus pass. For your child's safety, phone calls will not be accepted.

It is extremely difficult and disrupting to the classroom when parents call with last minute changes. Please send a note with your child if he/she has any change in their regular drop off.

NEW AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In order for absences relating to illness, doctor appointment, bereavement, family emergencies, or district approved family vacation to be counted as excused absences, the school must be notified of the absence prior to the absence or when the absence occurs by the parent or legal guardian who has custody of the student. This can be done by a phone call to the front office at 896-3000. Upon returning to school from an excused absence, the student shall submit a note stating the date and reason for the absence signed by the parent/guardian.

CHILD FIND

Child Find is a process to "find" children who may have a delay in development or a disability. Oracle School District can help children with disabilities from birth through 21 years of age. We provide special education services for eligible children. If you have concerns about your child's development or progress in school, contact the Oracle School District Special Education Department @ 896-3052

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Mountain Vista students are doing a great job of collecting box tops, but we can never have too many box tops. Please remind friends and family to collect for our school. Check out the General Mills website @ www.boxtops4education.com for participating products. Thank you for your participation!

CHILD PICK UP

Parents, if you need to pick up your child before the end of the day you always need to sign them out in the office. After you have signed them out one of the ladies in the office will call the classroom and request the child be sent to the office. This is for the safety of the child.





Buy a CRUSH for your CRUSH or Friend \$1

YOU CAN PURCHASE FROM MRS. LOPEZ BEFORE SCHOOL BEGINNING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3-13, 2020! TREATS WILL BE PASSED OUT ON FEBRUARY 14, 2020

Student Meal Prices:

Breakfast....\$1.00 Lunch.....\$2.45 Second Meal or Student

Guest Prices:

Breakfast Menu

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We provide free and reduced price meals for eligible students. You may pick up a free and reduced price application at the Mountain Vista Office or Cafeteria. Please feel free to call Cheri at 520-896-3029 or email celinton@osd2.0rg for more information or questions.

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	Thu		6 Apple or Cherry Frudel, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk	13 Cinnamon Bun, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk	20 Apple or Cherry Frudel, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk	27 Cinnamon Bun, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk
	Wed		1	12 Pop Tart, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk	19 Glazed Mini Donut, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk	26 Nutri-Grain Bar, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk
	Tue		4Pancakes w/ syrup, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Miik	11 French Toast, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Milk	18 Waffle, Ce- real, Fruit, Juice, Milk	25 Egg, Cheese 26 Nutri-Grain and Sausage Bar, Cereal, Burrito, Cereal, Fruit, Juice, Fruit, Juice, Milk
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Lunch Menu

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Second Meal or Student Guest Pric-

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Lunch.....\$3.50

Mon., Wed., Fri.: Chicken Nugge served with Dip and a WW Dinn Roll and Vegetable of the day. Tues. & Thurs.: Hamburgers w/ Romaine Lettuce and Tomato slic and vegetable of the day.

Daily, there will be an alternate choice of a Build Your own Sala w/assorted toppings and dressing Served with a WW Dinner Roll. We realize that sometimes students forget lunch money Students can charge up to 3 meals. Students will be offered a cheese sandwich, fru and milk after 3 charges.

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to 3 df- , fruit,	10	17 Hot and Spicy Chicken Sand- wich, Romaine Lettuce, Sliced Tomatoes, Oven Fries, Fruit, Milk	7 Hot and Spicy 18 Walking Taco, Shicken Sand- Shredded Ro- vich, Romaine Lettuce, etuce, Sliced Diced Tomato, comatoes, Oven Refried Beans, ries, Fruit, Milk	19 Oven Baked Chicken, WW Dinner Roll, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk	20 Pizza, Cow- boy Corn Sal- ad, Fruit, Milk	21 Rodeo Day 2 No School	2
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