

BLAZER BULLETIN

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Sunburst Elementary School

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From the Principal's Desk:

Dear Sunburst Families,

Our food drive finished up on Friday at Bingo Night. Sunburst families are very generous, giving thousands of pounds in food to St. Mary's Food Bank. We **continued the** spin on the food drive again this year with "Food Wars." Not only **was** food donated, but students **brought** in dollars for their classroom to be spent on purchasing food and coins and cases of water to sabotage other classrooms. Of course, those coins **were** used to purchase food also. Coach Knight, our PE teacher, is the mastermind behind "Food Wars." She created videos relating to this drive, **that can be seen on YouTube under 2018 Sunburst Food Wars and Bingo.** Thank you to the many families who helped with transporting the purchased food and bottled water to be donated for the food drive. It is heart-warming to see the kindness and caring for others from our Sunburst students and families.

Friday, March 2, is Read Across America Day. This is the day we traditionally celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday here at Sunburst School. During the day, we celebrate by reading and have many guest readers on campus. You can continue the celebrating Read Across America at home. Take time to read to your child; you are never too old to listen to a good book! You can make this fun and have quality time spent with your child.



NO School March 19 – 23

SCHOOL TAX CREDIT DONATIONS

- Tax credit donations must be made on or before April 15 to be applied to the prior year's taxes.



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March



- Mar. 2 Read Across America
 Author's Visit
 Girls Basketball Tournament
- Mar. 7 Grade 3 Field Day
 Kona Ice – Grades 2 - 6
- Mar. 9 Grade 5 to Wildlife Zoo
 Grade 4 Field Day
- Mar. 13 DF Regional Band Festival @ 7 p.m.
- Mar. 10 Grade 4 Field Day
- Mar. 14 Yearbook Club Mtg
 @ 1-2:30 p.m.
 Site Council Mtg
 @ 3:00 p.m.
- Mar. 15 Great Skate 5 - 7:30 p.m.
 PTO Mtg 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- Mar. 16 Primary Field Day
 Grade 2 – a.m.
 Grade 1 – p.m.
- Mar. 19 - 23 Spring Break
 – **NO SCHOOL**
- Mar. 30 Pizza with the Principal
- April 4 - 6 AZ Merit Testing
- April 9 -13 AIMS Science – 4th grade



Congratulations to our UNDEFEATED Sunburst Blazers Girls Basketball Team!

Our **Lady Blazers** had an amazing winning season! They will be playing Friday, March 2, in the District tournament at Cholla Middle School at 6:30 p.m. Make plans to come and cheer on our **Lady Blazers!**

Some important reminders

Emergency Information

It is important to keep student emergency information updated. The following information is required:

- Current home address and phone number
- Cell phone numbers
- Place of employment and phone number
- Name and phone number of person(s) responsible for your child in the event of an emergency

Classroom Interruptions

In an effort to minimize interruptions to the classrooms at the end of the day, students should not be checked out any later than 2:15 p.m. This time is reserved for announcements, homework assignments and end-of-the-day instructions. Please keep this in mind when making appointments.

School attendance is required

School attendance is not only a good habit, state law requires it. Arizona State Law (15-802.A, 15-803.E) requires every person who has custody of a child between the ages of six and sixteen years shall make sure the child attends school for the full time school is in session unless unable to attend due to illness or another legitimate reason.

Being prompt is a valuable lifetime habit and should be encouraged by parents. A student who arrives at school after 7:30 a.m. should report to the office where a late pass will be issued. Students who are tardy 10 times will be referred to the WESD Truancy Prevention Unit.

The education of your child is extremely important to us. Sunburst School is working with the community to ensure a quality education for all students. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Sunburst School at 602-896-6400.

Guidelines for Photography

We welcome families and friends to our campus and thank you for taking a positive interest in your child's education. Throughout the school year, we hold many events to give students the opportunity to perform for family and friends or to "show off" what they have learned.

While most of these events are public, there may be students involved whose parents do not wish for them to be photographed. We ask you to keep that in mind as you photograph or videotape your student. Please make sure your child is the focus of your photographs or video.

PTO NEWS

Please continue to send in your

Box Tops for Education

Every one counts, and your support makes a difference!

Thank you Sunburst families!



Field Days

March 7 – Grade 3 – All-day Events
March 9 – Grade 4 – All-day Events
March 16 – Grade 1 – Afternoon
Grade 2 – Morning
April 13 – Grade 5 & 6 – All-day Events

2018 Food Drive

Congratulations to the Sunburst community.

In a two week period, they once again brought in thousands of pounds of food for the 2018 WESD Food Drive benefiting St. Mary's food Bank Alliance. Although it was a contest, we are all winners when we work together to give back to others. A lot of food, water and money came in at Bingo Night. In the end, the grade level Food Wars Champions who will be receiving popcorn or other pop parties are as follows:

Kindergarten - Mrs. Trevillion 155 positive items

1st grade - Mrs. Shaw 60 positive items

2nd grade - Mrs. Whitehead 80 positive items

3rd grade - Mrs. Ball 54 positive items

4th grade - Mrs. Gall with -39 items

5th grade - Mrs. Link with -18 items

6th grade - Mr. Elliot with 24 positive items

The following three classes will be receiving pizza parties for being school-wide champions:

Box Tops Champions with 371 box tops - Mrs. Ball's class

Most Generous class with 944 items - Mrs. Link's class

Food Wars Champions with a positive 155 items - Mrs. Trevillion's class.

We had a great time doing Food Wars every morning and Bingo Night was awesome. A video of these events can be seen on YouTube at "2018 Sunburst Food Wars and Bingo". We will have to wait and see if we met our goal of beating last year's weight of over 20,000 pounds. If we take first place in the district challenge or meet our goal, the staff will be producing another epic lip sync video. Thank you to everyone who participated!

Read Across America 2018

This year's theme is:

"HAT'S OFF TO READING!"

It's time to grab your "Seussish" hat 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.

Celebrated statewide, it 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. At Sunburst School, we will have guest readers, fun class activities, and, more. Students are encouraged to wear Seuss inspired outfits, hats and socks.

Students were given book lists for a book drawing on March 2. Be sure to have your child turn theirs in. For more information, please contact Mrs. Lupnacca at 602-896-6400.

