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Sunburst Elementary School

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From the Principal's Desk:

We have had a fantastic start to the school year, and it has been exciting to watch your children come to school each day excited to learn something new. I have enjoyed our school-wide events (Back to School, Title One Night, and Family Reading Night) as they have been a great opportunity for us to get to know one another. I look forward to the events we have scheduled in the near future. Please take some time to explore this newsletter so you can be informed of important information as well as upcoming events.

Sunburst will continue to have Student of the Month this year beginning with September. The homeroom teacher chooses one student each month to be Student of the Month. Students are chosen based on the school-wide Character Counts program that includes being respectful, responsible, caring, fair, trustworthy, and a good citizen. I look forward to having lunch with the first group of 25 students on September 29. A big thank you to Sardella's Pizza for providing the pizza for all our Student of the Month luncheons. Thank you to Sunburst PTO for providing the paper products, drinks, and snacks for the lunch.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Calendar of Events

- Sept. 19 Family Reading Night 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Sept. 20 Kona Ice – Grades 2-6
Blazer Store
- Sept. 21 Vision and Hearing Screening
- Sept. 27 Vision Re-Screening
Blazer Store
Early Release @ 1:00 p.m.
- Sept. 29 Pizza w/Principal
PE Snack Bar
Great Skate 5:00 – 7:30 p.m.
PTO Mtg. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 3 Cross Country Practice begins
Sunrise Stories – 7:10 a.m.
- Oct. 5 Picture Re-takes
- Oct. 9-13 Fall Break – NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 25, 26, 27 Parent/Teacher Conferences
Early Release @ 1:00 p.m.
- Nov. 1 Translation Services
- Parent/Teacher Conferences



Safety Reminder:

Our school campus is not supervised until 7:10 a.m. Please do not drop off your children prior to 7:10 a.m.

From our Health Office

Students have their vision and hearing screened in accordance with the state of Arizona's Department of Health Services guidelines. Vision and hearing

are very important to your child's ability to learn, listen and make good progress in school. The goal is to remove health-related barriers to learning.

This year the screening is scheduled to take place on Thursday, September 21. It is important that your child is in attendance on this day. If glasses or contacts are worn, please make sure they have them with them. Parents/guardians are informed of the results if follow-up care is recommended. School-based screenings are not intended to replace routine wellness examinations by the primary health care provider.

If you do not want your child's vision and/or hearing screened, please contact the health office. If you are concerned about your child's hearing or vision or have questions about the screening program, please contact the health office.

The success of the screening day is dependent upon volunteers. If you are able to help please contact the health office.

The health office does not provide pain reliever of any kind. If you would like your child to have medication for headaches, coughs drops, etc., you will need to bring it to the health office and fill out the required requests for giving medication form. Students are not allowed to bring any medications to school on their own. All medications must be brought in by a parent or guardian.

Gifted Services Testing Opportunity

Washington Elementary School District provides a continuum of services for students identified as gifted. Testing for placement in the gifted program takes place three times a year on ALL campuses. If you feel your child demonstrates the traits of a gifted learner, please complete the screening form found on the Gifted Services website (www.wedschools.org/Page/18) or contact your child's teacher to arrange for testing. A brochure describing services provided to gifted students and a list of common characteristics can be found on the website as well. Feel free to call or email the Coordinator of Gifted Services, Dr. Jason McIntosh, with any questions you may have (Jason.mcintosh@wedschools.org / 602-347-2651). The gifted teacher on your campus can be reached by email at Janice.buchanan@wedschools.org or by phone 602-896-6400 as well.

2017 SUNBURST BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

Congratulations to our new team members and all of those who tried out. You are all Sunburst winners! Congratulations to our 2017 Blazers boys basketball team.



Davari W.	Dominic M.
Jordan O.	Jesse D.
Rocco G.	Camrin D.
Ethan H.	Geovanni T.-M.
Anthony S.	Steven S.
Anthony B.	Rex S.
Kaleb B.	Jonathan S.-K.
Victor G.	Josian G.

We are excited to introduce our two new coaches:

Dustin Williamson and Tony Ramljak

Sunburst Blazers Schedule			
10/3	Lookout	4:00	Home
10/17	Washington	4:00	Home
10/19	Sahuaro	4:00	Away
10/30	Ironwood	4:00	Away
11/3	Lakeview	4:00	Home
11/6	Alta Vista	4:00	Home
11/9	Roadrunner	4:00	Away
Weeks 5 & 6 to be announced			

As a reminder, students are **not** permitted to wait on campus for the games to begin. They must leave campus and return for all games.



Cross Country News

Sunburst Cross Country and the Greenway Homecoming Parade

Our first practice is still over two weeks away, and we already have over 60 members signed up to be members of the Sunburst cross country team! Sunburst cross country is open to all students in kindergarten through sixth grade. All you need to join is a desire to be a part of our team and a willingness to run. Optional morning practices will be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school beginning on Tuesday, October 3. Meets will be held on Tuesday afternoons at 4:15 p.m. throughout the month of November. Our team has once again been invited to participate in the Greenway High School Homecoming Parade! The parade will take place down 39th Ave., on Thursday, September 21. For more information about joining the team, have your child request a cross country information packet from Coach Knight.