

# SUNSET Newsletter



*Inspiring Excellence Together*

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**Principal: Mandi Jones**

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## Message from the Principal

Thank you for attending conferences to discuss your child's progress with his/her teachers. Conferences are an integral part of the education process, and the students would not be successful without your support and our collaboration. Please note that progress reports were reviewed during conferences. If you did not receive the quarter three midterm, please contact the teacher or view your child's grades in ParentVUE.

ParentVUE is available for all parents and legal guardians to see real-time grades for their children. Many of our parents have already signed up for this service and we encourage the rest of you to sign up as well. Individual parent log in sheets are available in the front office.

We are thankful we have the opportunity to spend time with your children at Sunset. We are proud of the character they are building and the education they are receiving. Thank you for choosing our school and supporting your child's education at home. Our Sunset family is so special!

The WESD is thankful for your support. Please consider making a tax credit donation to our school! Your donation provides WESD students the opportunity to succeed in extracurricular activities and will fund items such as uniform replacements, equipment, field trip transportation and stipends for coaches and sponsors. Taxpayers may receive up to a \$400 tax credit if filing jointly (\$200 if filing single) on their state income taxes by contributing to the Washington Elementary School District. Donating is simple. Please visit [www.wesdschools.org/taxcredit](http://www.wesdschools.org/taxcredit) and you can enhance the education of a child in just a few steps. Thank you for your support! For more information, please call 602-347-2737.



**Please do not drop off your student prior to 8:05 a.m. Your child's safety is our primary concern.**



**Spring Break**

**Mon. March 13 – Fri. March 17**

**No School!!**

**Check out our Sunset Elementary Facebook Page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/SunsetElementarySchool>

## Calendar of Events

**2/15 Early Release**

2/16 4:15 p.m. PTO Meeting

2/16 4:30-6:00 p.m. Future Charger Night @ Cholla Middle School

**2/20 Presidents Day -NO SCHOOL**

2/21 4:00 p.m. Girls Basketball Game vs. Manzanita @ Home

**2/22 Early Release**

2/23 Kona Ice

2/23 4:00 p.m. Site Council Meeting

**3/1 Early Release**

3/2 Read Across America Day

3/2 4:30-6:30 p.m. Spring Fling

3/3 8:30 a.m. Spirit Assembly Theme: Superhero Attire

3/3 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to the Rio Salado Audubon

3/7 Social Worker Day

**3/8 Early Release**

3/9 KG-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Day

3/9 Kona Ice

3/10 3-6 Grade Field Day

**3/13 – 3/17 Spring Break! NO SCHOOL**

**Wednesday Early Dismissal**

All grades release at 1:45 p.m.

### Site Council

Mike Bailey  
Sandy Bogard  
Mandi Jones  
Corinn Klues  
Ellie Jacovino  
Katherine Bailey

### PTO Board

Laura Alarcon –President  
Dustin Norman –Vice President  
OPEN –Secretary  
Shari Blanchard –Treasurer

**Governing Board:** Nikkie Gomez-Whaley, President • Jenni Abbott-Bayardi, Vice President  
Kyle Clayton, Member • Lindsey Peterson, Member • Tamillia Valenzuela, Member

Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

Please join us Thursday, March 2, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

**Raffle Prizes!**  
**(Raffle Tickets are \$1.00 each)**

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Concert @ 5:30 p.m.**

Kona Ice

Pizza \$2.00

Scooter Board Races

Face Painting \$2.00

Spring Bingo

Popcorn \$1.00

Potato Sack Races

Soda/Water \$1.00

Spoon Races

Cotton Candy \$2.00

Golfing

Photo Booth

Ring Toss

Obstacle Course

Sponsored  
by Sunset  
PTO



Staff  
Read  
Alouds

### Sunset Yearbooks

Back by popular demand, we'll have a Sunset Yearbook this year! To place an order, please go to: [order.remembermeyearbooks.com](http://order.remembermeyearbooks.com) and enter access key 2FN69LSPFR.

Yearbooks are \$21.00 each (price increases to \$25.00 after April 14).

Dedication spaces are available for purchase for \$10.00, and are 1/8 of a page. Please come into the front office if you'd like to purchase a dedication space. There are limited spaces available, so these are first come, first served!

**Congratulations to our amazing employees of the month!**

#### **Employees of the Month**



**Molly Journey** Ms. Journey is one of our amazing first-grade teachers. She is cheerful, friendly and always has a positive outlook even in difficult situations. Ms. Journey is always willing to share resources and help out in any way possible. She goes above and beyond to provide a caring learning environment for her students and always finds ways to help students be successful in and out of the classroom. She has a genuine love of her job and it shows!

**Manny Moreno:** Mr. Moreno is our wonderful crossing guard. He's also known as "Mr. Boogie" because he says "Let's Boogie!" as he crosses the street with students. He always has a positive and cheerful attitude. Each of our Sunset students has a special place in his heart and he truly cares about our students and their wellbeing. He's a bright ray of sunshine for our students when they first arrive at school and as they leave to go home after school.

We are fortunate to have Ms. Journey and Mr. Moreno on our Sunset team!

### **Congratulations to our January Students of the Month!**

#### Kindergarten

Mrs. Haskins: River H.  
Miss Lerner: Selma H.  
Miss West: Josiah W.  
Mrs. Harris: Mateo N.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Ms. Demory: Nolyn L.  
Ms. Meyer: Cleo L.  
Ms. Savage: Liam C.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Ms. Cota: Jada W.  
Miss Duran: Ethan G.  
Mrs. Snead: Emilio A.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Miss Bailey: Helena D.  
Ms. Journey: Elijah S.  
Mrs. Mettler: Muaz S.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Mrs. Jones: Kyriee F.  
Miss Scott: Evelyn T.  
Ms. Spina: Maddison P.

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Ms. Swift: Yunes A.  
Mrs. Heidbreder: Emy R.  
Mrs. Klemencic: Joseph U.

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Mrs. Barber: Matthew G.

Miss Klues: Trinity G.

Ms. Vasquez: Maddison N.