

SUNSET Newsletter



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Principal: Mandi Jones

Calendar of Events

- 11/18-22 Clothing Drive
- 11/18 4:00 p.m. Boy's Basketball Game @ Sunburst
- 11/19 4:15 p.m. Cross Country Meet @ Cactus Park
- 11/20 Early Release Wednesday**
- 11/20 5:00 p.m. PTO Meeting
- 11/21 4:00 p.m. Boy's Basketball Game @ Manzanita
- 11/22 8:00 – 10:30 a.m. Kindergarten Old Fashioned Day
- 11/26 4:15 p.m. Cross Country Meet @ Lookout Mountain
- 11/27 Early Release Wednesday**
Wear Fall Colors
- 11/28-29 Thanksgiving Break –No School**
- 12/4 Early Release Wednesday**
- 12/4 4:00 p.m. Site Council Meeting
- 12/5 5:30-7:00 p.m. Holiday Festival
- 12/6 8:10 a.m. Spirit Assembly
- 12/6 1st Grade field trip to Wildlife World Zoo
- 12/9 Classroom Spelling Bee
- 12/12 2nd & 6th Grade Dental Sealants
- 12/18 Reading Olympics Begin
- 12/20 – 1/3 Winter Break –No School**
- 1/8 9:30 a.m. Spelling Bee

Message from the Principal

As we approach Thanksgiving and reflect on the gift of education, I would like to express my gratitude to all of you. Parents, thank you for supporting your child's education and being an active member in our Sunset family. Students, thank you for putting forth your best effort and taking the initiative to help others in need. Staff, thank you for working tirelessly to plan engaging lessons, strategically meet students' needs, and celebrate accomplishments. I am deeply grateful for all of you!

As our weather starts to cool off in the mornings, then warm up in the afternoons, we're finding that our lost & found table is overflowing with jackets! Please write your student's name on the tag of their jacket so we can return it to them if it goes missing. Also, please come check the lost and found table to claim your student's items!



Thanksgiving Break
No School Nov 28 and 29

Enjoy your time with family and friends!

Spirit Theme: Pajama Day

Students of the
Month

Spirit Assembly
Dec 6 @ 8:10 a.m.
Basketball Court



Wednesday Early Dismissal/ Parent/Teacher Conference

All grades release at 1:45 p.m.

Site Council

Linda Austerman
Mike Bailey
Sandy Bogard
Shari Blanchard
Mandi Jones
Corinn Klues

PTO Board

Olivia Lucio –President
Shari Blanchard –Vice Pres
Michelle Reyes –Secretary
Katie Reader –Treasurer

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Spotlight on Kindergarten

On Friday, November 22, kindergarten will celebrate Old Fashioned Days with hands-on activities that provide experiences of how life was long ago compared to today. The students will enjoy the fun activities and some even come to school dressed in that era's attire. Some activities are nine-patch quilt making, panning for gold, milking a cow, stringing beads, shaving and washing clothes on rocks in tubs of water. The activities create a visual for students to experience the differences between today and long ago. With this hands-on event, our students are able to compare and contrast the events of today vs. long ago. It is a fun and educational event for our kindergarteners.



Holiday Festival



When: Thursday, December 5 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Where: Sunset Elementary School 4626 W. Mountain View Rd.

What: Face Painting, Pictures with Santa, Pizza, Bingo, Make an Ornament, Throw a "Pie" in a Teacher's Face and many more fun games!



Tax Credit Donations

The WESD is thankful for your support. As we enter into the season of giving, 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, stipends for coaches and sponsors. **New this year, your donation can also fund risers, scoreboards, soccer goals, marquees, playground equipment, 3-D printers, library books, classroom furniture and more! You will also receive a dollar for dollar reduction on your state income taxes.** 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. Visit 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, contact at 602-347-2737.

El WESD agradece su apoyo. Al comenzar la temporada de donaciones, favor de considerar hacer una donación de crédito de impuesto a nuestra escuela. Sus donaciones proveen a los estudiantes del WESD la oportunidad de tener éxito en actividades extracurriculares y financiarán artículos como reemplazo de uniformes, equipo, pagos para entrenadores y patrocinadores. **¡Como novedad este año, su donación también puede financiar podios, marcadores electrónicos, porterías de fútbol, marquesinas, equipos para área de recreo, impresoras 3D, libros para la biblioteca, muebles para el salón de clase y mucho más! También recibirán una reducción dólar por dólar en sus impuestos estatales.** Los contribuyentes pueden recibir un crédito de hasta \$400 si presentan una declaración en pareja (\$200 si presentan una declaración individual) en sus impuestos Estatales al contribuir al Distrito Escolar Washington.

Donar es simple. Visiten www.wesdschools.org/taxcredit y pueden mejorar la educación de un niño en solo unos pocos pasos. Gracias por su apoyo. Para más información, comunicarse al 602-347-2737.

Employees of the Month

Congratulations to our amazing November employees of the month!



Heather Ray: Heather is a fourth grade teacher at Sunset. She is a grade level facilitator and a BEGIN Cadre Leader (meaning she guides and mentors new teachers within our District). Heather makes it a priority to create nurturing relationships with her current and previous students. She is loved by all who know her!

Heather Bryson: Heather is our office technician at Sunset. She has excellent customer service skills and is always willing to help in any way. Heather is a great listener, always has a calm demeanor and is proactive in taking care of things before they even happen!

We are fortunate to have Ms. Ray and Ms. Heather on our Sunset team!

Students should not be on campus before 7:55 a.m.