



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### **Happy New Year, Coyotes!**

We hope you had a wonderful winter break filled with joy, family and friends! The start of 2025 is a fantastic opportunity to reflect on the past and embrace fresh beginnings. As we move into the new year, Moon Mountain Elementary remains steadfast in our commitment to providing **BEST first instruction** for every student.

To ensure success, we kindly ask for your support in a few key areas:

- **Punctuality:** Please make sure students arrive on time by 7:30 a.m.
- **Health:** Keep your child home if they are feeling unwell.
- **Home Routines:** Encourage limited screen time and establish consistent bedtime routines to support learning readiness.

We also want to invite you to make a difference by **joining our PTSA** (Parent Teacher Student Association). Your involvement doesn't require a huge commitment—even one hour of your time can have a significant impact! Our PTSA's goal for the new year is to create a volunteer "bank" of names we can call upon for future activities. More members mean more voices, ideas, and hands to help shape exciting opportunities for our students.

Let's work together to make 2025 a fantastic year for our Moon Mountain Coyotes. Thank you for being an integral part of our community!

With gratitude,  
Dawna Dohogne

### SPELLING BEE CHAMPION



Congratulations to our Moon Mountain Spelling Bee Champion, Arturo R.! He will compete in the District Spelling Bee on Jan. 23. Good luck, Arturo!

### CALENDAR



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| 1-3 | Winter Break – NO SCHOOL   |
| 6   | Teacher Work Day – No school   |
| 7   | Students return from Winter Break  |
| 8   | Cool Coyote Assembly for K-2<br>7:50 a.m. in the cafeteria                               |
| 9   | Honors Assemblies<br>1:15 Third Grade<br>1:45 Fourth Grade                               |
| 10  | Sixth Grade Panoramic 12:45<br>Honors Assemblies<br>1:15 Fifth Grade<br>1:45 Sixth Grade |
| 17  | 100 <sup>th</sup> Day of School  |
| 20  | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No school  |
| 23  | Craft & Bingo Night 5:30-7   |
| 27  | After-School Academy begins  |
| 28  | Kinder Open House 5 – 7 p.m.   |
| 29  | Lunar New Year   |
| 30  | First grade field trip   |



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| 1-28    | Black History Month   |
| 3-7     | Read Across America   |
| 4-7     | Parent/Teacher Conferences<br>Early Dismissal at 1 p.m.                                     |
| 5       | Student of the Month Breakfast<br>7:30 a.m. in the library<br>Kona Ice during lunch periods |
| 13      | Valentine's Dance 5:30 – 7 p.m.   |
| 14      | Valentine's Day<br>Arizona Statehood Day  |
| 17      | Presidents Day – No school  |
| 20      | Sixth Grade Parent Student Night at<br>Mountain Sky Junior High                             |
| 28-3/30 | Ramadan   |
| 27      | Honors Assemblies<br>Third Grade 1:15<br>Fourth Grade 1:45                                  |
| 28      | Honors Assemblies<br>Fifth Grade 1:15<br>Sixth Grade 1:45                                   |

### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR HEALTH OFFICE

The health office is in need of laundered, gently used clothing items that we can use in times of students needing a change of clothes. We are in great need of 5/6 and 7/8 sizes for boys and girls. Thank you!



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## PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

**Tuesday, February 4 – Friday, February 7**

Scheduling of parent/teacher conferences is quickly approaching! Be sure to schedule a time to meet with your student's teacher – it's a perfect opportunity to show support in your student's academic efforts.

**Please take note that Tuesday, Feb. 4 through Friday, February 7 are early dismissal days due to Parent/Teacher Conferences. School will dismiss at 1 p.m.**

## SIXTH GRADE PANORAMIC



Our sixth-grade panoramic photo will be taken on Friday, Jan. 10 at 12:45 in the library.

Please make sure your sixth grader is at school with their best smile that day. Visit [mydorian.com](https://mydorian.com) to order your 10"x24" panoramic picture. Place your order before picture day for the lowest prices.

You can order online now and for up to four days after picture day.

## ASA BEGINS JAN. 27

Thank you to all the families who supported our first semester of After-School Academy. We had a very successful first semester. Second semester will start January 27. All students will need to register to participate. There are no carry-over classes.

Look for registrations in your email or from your child when we return in January. Classes always fill up quickly!

We will have some new fun classes next semester. There will be a Stock Market Club, Basketball Boot Camp in addition to leadership, yearbook, math and reading.



## Support Our Students with a Tax Credit Donation

Start the new year on a positive note by supporting our students with a tax credit donation! By making a tax credit donation, you can directly impact our students' education and reduce your state tax liability (up to \$200 filing single or \$400 filing jointly). Your donation also provides our students with opportunities to participate in field trips, and succeed in extracurricular activities by funding items such as uniform replacements, equipment, and stipends for coaches and sponsors. Donating is simple! You can either visit our school office to complete a tax credit form or make your donation online at <https://bit.ly/3Ao6nZ7>. We appreciate your support!

## Join Us for Kindergarten Open House on Jan. 28



In the WESD, the joy of learning begins in kindergarten! Please join us for Kindergarten Open House on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2025, from 5 to 7 p.m.! This will be a great opportunity for you and your child to learn about our incredible kindergarten program, meet our dedicated teachers, explore our engaging classrooms, receive important information about our KidSpace childcare program, transportation services and school meals, and so much more! If you know someone who also has a child turning five before Sept. 1, 2025, we encourage you to share this exciting opportunity with them! We look forward to meeting our future students!



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