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**Polly Schultz, Principal**



**HAPPY NEW YEAR!** It's that time to reflect and make a plan for the future. One of our goals this year is to have each child show growth. No matter where they are right now, we want to show that they are growing and learning. We also will be continuing to work on learning and practicing social skills based on our five Core Values, being Caring, Respectful Responsible, Trusting Family members.

It was great seeing so many of you at parent-teacher conferences last week. Parent conferences continue this week. Please make sure, if you have not already, to connect with your child's teacher. We have early dismissal Thursday, 2/1 and Friday, 2/2. I told the teachers I would like them to connect with 100 percent of their families. Thank you for working with us so your child can have a positive educational experience.

I am so proud of how our community came to support Jump Rope for Heart. It is so great for our students to learn the core value of caring and community. Our next big community project will be the can food drive February 12-23. We came in second last year for the school that raised the most per pound. Let's see if we can get first this year! Our students are learning to be caring, respectful, responsible, trusting family members! We appreciate your support at home!

Hey, if your child is missing their glasses they may be in the health office. Please have them check.

Please call me with any questions or concerns.

Polly Schultz  
 Proud Principal.

## Calendar of Events

- 1/31-Parent-teacher conferences
- 1/31-Star Student Lunch
- 2/1-Parent-teacher conferences 1:45 p.m. release
- 2/2-Parent-teacher conferences 1:45 p.m. release
- 2/5-Basketball 4 p.m. @ Sunburst
- 2/7-Bolt Bucks during lunch
- 2/8-TLC Meeting 3:30 p.m.
- 2/8-PTO 5:30 p.m.
- 2/9-Jump Rope for Heart
- 2/9-Basketball 4 p.m. @ IR
- 2/13-Basketball 4 p.m. @ Roadrunner
- 2/14-Progress Reports go home
- 2/15-Catalina Parent Meeting 6 p.m.
- 2/16-Basketball 4 p.m. @ IR
- 2/19-No School-President's Day
- 2/22-TLC Meeting 3:30 p.m.
- 2/23-Read-a-thon fundraiser/Book fair begin



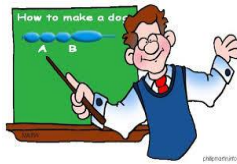
**SPRING BREAK March 19-23**

## McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act

Are you currently experiencing temporary living arrangements due to eviction, job loss or a traumatic event? Is your family lacking a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence? Washington Elementary School District offers services to families through the federal McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act. The act requires that children and families who are in a temporary living situation be offered services and supports. Services can include enrollment assistance, nutrition services, clothing or school supplies, community referrals, and in some cases transportation. If you are living in any of the following circumstances: with another family or friend due to financial hardship, living in a shelter, transitional housing, in a hotel/motel, you **may** fit the criteria for assistance under this act. Please contact Mrs. Robinson at 602-896-5600 to inquire further about qualifying for this program.

The Washington Elementary School District (WESD) will host Teacher Interview Fairs to hire teachers for the 2018-2019 school year. All Teacher Interview Fairs will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the WESD Administrative Center, 4650 West Sweetwater Avenue, Glendale, 85304. Contracts for the 2018-2019 school year will be offered to qualified candidates. Student teachers, soon-to-be college graduates, seasoned teachers and alternative pathways are encouraged to attend!

Teacher Interview Fairs are scheduled for:  
 Saturday, February 24, 2018,  
 Thursday, March 15, 2018, 4 to 7:30 p.m.; and  
 Saturday, April 28, 2018.



Interviews will be conducted for those interested in teaching: kindergarten, elementary education, special education, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, general music, art and special needs preschool. Successful candidates may be recommended for a 2018-2019 teaching contract.

Apply online prior to the interview fair at [jobs.wesdschools.org](http://jobs.wesdschools.org). Please select the posting titled, Teacher – All Positions. Human Resources will contact qualified applicants directly to preschedule an interview.

For more information, contact the WESD Recruitment Office at 602-347-2622 or e-mail [teach@wesdschools.org](mailto:teach@wesdschools.org).



Keep saving your pop-tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and turn them into the library. We will be collecting through the end of the year. Thank you.

Community of Caring  
 Committee



**Now Enrolling**  
**50% off Registration,**  
**Come join us for**  
**fun & adventure.**

### TLC News

Thank you to our 2017-2018 TLC students. They have just voted to purchase a new rug for the entryway to the school. We appreciate you and can't wait to see it!

## Principals List



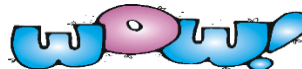
3<sup>rd</sup> grade-Brandy F., Alana J., Victoria V., Emma M., Sawyer N.,

4<sup>th</sup> grade-Emma A. Ramsie H., Sean M., Mayson R., Braden S., Terrell S., Rodney L.

5<sup>th</sup> grade-Kadie B., Anastasia M., Audrina P., Anthony P., Gaby R., Brooke S., Alexander G., Carlos H., Justin L., Adrian M., Daniel P., Ainslee D., Abel G., Diego G., Damian G.

6<sup>th</sup> grade-Chalysta A., Jason C., Xavier K., Tamar O., Andjela S., Kayla B., Leah M., Madison O., Justin S., Aleksandra W., Evelyn Q., Jeffrey Z.

## Honor Roll



3<sup>rd</sup> grade-Aubry C., Logan E., Hailee P., Deven R., Roman T., Jayden W., ShyAnn G., Eric J., Tommy A., Kaliyah A., Jade M., Heidi R., Amy A., Miguel F., Adam I., Jacob I., Logon K., Daisy L., Kloe S., Alivia W.

4<sup>th</sup> grade-Anthony B., Seth C., Jewel C., Alberto C., Tristan E., Christopher G., Sarah G., Evan H., Marcus P., Reese S., Keyshawn S., Aneya V., Jose A., Kristi B., Bentley B., Ryan F., Emma H., Katelyn J., Damian M., Brayden O., Iris P., Jayden W.

5<sup>th</sup> grade-Anjela B., Sabrina F., Sofia J., Connor N., Noael S., Dillon W., Travius B., Emily L., Jenna C., Jade C., Oscar M., Allie K., Neveah P., Danika K., Amya L., Nevaeh M., Camila P., Kristopher T., Saul M.

6<sup>th</sup> grade-Brendan B., Gracie D., Dorothy F., Peyton H., Jayden M., Reese P., Matthew S., Michael V., Matrim A., Riley G., Caysen R., Alex W., Diesel D., Mia G., Leah H., Bailey K., Alex L., Marley V., Julie Z.



## January Star Students



Adrian D.	Christian C.	Isabella F.
Melanie M.	Daniela V.	Emma V.
Hailee P.	Jose A.	CJ S.
Camila P.	Jose V.	Alyssia A.
Liam V.	Jayden F.	Michelle V.
Dakota M.	Emilia D.	Brooklyn E.
Hatcher W.	Salvador T.	Zaryck O.
Thomas S.	Eric J.	Steven P.
Allie K.	Christian C.	



In accordance with ARS §15-779, special education is provided to students of lawful school age identified as gifted in one or more of the verbal, quantitative or nonverbal reasoning areas. The Washington District has a continuum of gifted services from which each school selects those that best meet their students' needs. Center-based services for highly gifted students are also available. If you think your child may need these special education services, evaluation is available. Contact your child's teacher for more information

## Classroom News



Kindergarteners are working hard learning our sight words, blending simple words and adding. On top of all our academics, we find time to promote random acts of kindness and practice good social skills. Being five is definitely busy these days!!

**1st Grade:** We have been working hard on developing our phonics and sight words. Please keep practicing these sight words as it helps our first graders become strong readers!

**Second graders** have transformed into Meteorologists as we studied the weather. Students have learned about the types of clouds and how it relates to the type of weather outside.

**Third graders** love school and we love to learn. In math, we have been studying rounding, multiplication, and subtraction. We are getting ready to start FRACTIONS! In reading, we have been reading folktales and fables learning all about THEME and the message or moral of a story. In writing, we are working on informational essays, reporting on Animal Adaptations and the Branches of Government. Soon, we will be rolling into our Minerals and Rocks Unit in science. Remember to read every day (try reading some new folktales and fables) and keep practicing those multiplication facts – everyone learns and grows every day.

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade**-In reading, the class is working on annotating, learning about different narrative forms and locating evidence in text. In writing, we are focusing on Informative and explanatory text. The classes are working hard to understand the use of fractions in a school and daily life setting. In science, electricity and magnetism are being explored.

**In sixth grade**, students have been working hard in math on percents and fraction operations. In reading, students have been working on their literature study with the book *Esperanza Rising!* The Science fair is coming up soon, we are looking forward to seeing our scientists at work!!

## WESD Community Food Drive Coming in February

Food Drive



Washington Elementary School District will be hosting the WESD Community Food Drive (#WESDCommunityFoodDrive2018) from **Monday, Feb. 12 through Friday, Feb. 23** to benefit St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance. Right now, one in four children in Arizona is going to bed hungry. WESD can help change that. As a community leader and partner with St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, WESD is asking every school to participate. Each student is asked to bring in canned food to donate during those two weeks. The school with the most donated food (as determined by the number of pounds per student) will receive bundtinis from Nothing Bundt Cake for the entire school and a trophy to recognize its efforts. Last year we collected more than 106,000 pounds of food! Questions about getting involved may be directed to Pam Horton, WESD Communications and Public Engagement, 602-347-2694.