

# THUNDERBOLT FLASH

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**Polly Schultz, Principal**

Hello Thunderbolt Families!

Wow! October was a busy, but fun month! Thank you to the families who were able to make it to VIP Day! This is something we want to do every year, but I think we will wait until it's a bit cooler next year. We appreciate all our TLC (Thunderbolt Leaders of Caring) students who helped.

Hopefully you were able to meet with your child's teacher(s). We love to have those face to face conversations to help us work together to better your child's education. We appreciate all you do to support your child, whether it's reading together, asking questions about what they read as you put them to bed or practicing math facts while driving to the store. Those little moments help. If your child is struggling, focus some positive attention on what they are doing right. This can help change a behavior. Ask your child to share something about their day. Usually the older ones just say fine, but if you ask them specific questions about their day they may give you a bit more. For example, "show me something you learned today?", "tell me the hardest thing you had to do today?" or "if I called your teacher tonight what would she/he tell me about you?". That should get the conversation started.

So excited to report that we will be having a morning band class for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade starting next week! Mike Durnavich from Desert Foothills will be doing a 7:00 a.m. class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Flyers went home this week and one is posted on Peachjar (please check out Peachjar if you haven't already).

I'm here if you need me!  
 Polly Schultz  
 602-896-5605



## CROSS COUNTRY NEWS



The first meet will be on Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

It will be at Cactus Park -3801 W. Cactus Rd. Phoenix 85029. All meets start at 4 p.m. Please make sure your child arrives by 3:45 p.m. If you have any questions please call 602-896-5610 or 602-896-5633.

Thank you

## WESD KidSpace

Before- and After-school Programs

**HOURS:**

**M-F 6:30-8:10 a.m.**

**M, T, TH, F**

**3:10-6:00 p.m.**

**W 1:45-6:00 p.m.**

Please call for info  
 602-896-5673



## Upcoming EVENTS

- 11/1-Boys BB @ IR 4 p.m.
- 11/6-Boys BB @ IR 4 p.m.
- 11/6-Cross Country Meet @ Cactus Park 4 p.m.
- 11/7-Bolt Bucks
- 11/8-TLC Meeting 3:30 p.m.
- 11/8-Boys BB @ Tumbleweed 4 p.m.
- 11/8-Site Council 4 p.m.
- 11/8-PTO 5:30 p.m.
- 11/9-Coffee with the Principal 8:30 a.m.
- 11/12- Veterans Day, No School
- 11/13-Boys BB @ IR 4 p.m.
- 11/13-Cross Country Meet @ Lookout Mountain 4 p.m.
- 11/16-Boys BB @ John Jacobs 4 p.m.
- 11/20-Boys BB @ Orangewood 4 p.m.
- 11/20-Cross Country Meet @ Chaparral 4 p.m.
- 11/20-Community Fall Family Night 5 p.m.
- 11/22-11/23-Thanksgiving Break
- 11/27-Cross Country Meet @ IR 4 p.m.
- 11/30-Star Student Recognition 8:30 a.m.

## Flu Update and Information

Did you know that flu is more common in children than in adults? This is probably because, compared to adults, children have had less lifetime exposure to influenza and therefore don't have as much natural immunity to it.

### Symptoms

- Watch for these symptoms:
- Rapid onset of high fever
- Dry cough
- Chills
- Muscle aches
- Headaches
- Vomiting, nausea, or diarrhea in young children



### If Your Child Is Sick

If you suspect your child has the flu, consult your doctor and encourage fluids. Children should stay home to rest and avoid giving the flu to others. Keep your child home from school until his or her temperature has been normal for 24 hours.

### Educate Your Kids

You can prevent the flu (and other illnesses) by practicing good hand washing. Protect your family by teaching your kids the proper way to wash their hands. Remind your child to cover his or her mouth or nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing to protect others. Teach your child to throw away the tissue and properly wash their hands.

## October Star Students

Jackson G.	Liam V.	Avrie S.	Jacob G.	Jason W.	
Jason L. 	Killian S.	Annabel W.	Hope C.	Kaylin K.	
Anna M.	Greenlee R.	Jameelah N.	Konner C. 	Brandy F.	Neve A.
Kristina M.	Victoria V.	Joseph V.	Steven P.	Malyea C.	
Jaydin B.	Alice L.	Anastasia M.	Cindy L.	Landen M.	

## Principals List

4<sup>th</sup> grade-Emma M., Heidi R., Kenny T., Breeyana B., Alana J., Victoria V.

5<sup>th</sup> grade-Terry S., Sean M., Sheridan C.

6<sup>th</sup> grade-Damian G., Cindy L., Carlos H.



## Honor Roll

3<sup>rd</sup> grade-Lillyana C., Connor K., Jonah P., Jolie Q., Cimyah A., Connor C., Ian D., Connor O., Bettie Z.,

4<sup>th</sup> grade-Ariston B., Rebeka S., MacKenzie C., Jorge M., Jade M., Sawyer N., Kloe S., Roman T., Alivia W., Sonny B., Miguel F., Max G., Monique H., Sergio L., Hailee P., Deven R., Emma V., Lorenzo W., Logan E., Brandy F., Adam I., Jacob I., Eric J., Mya L., Syler L., Carter M., Kimberly P., Dontae T., Serene Z., Aubrey C.

5<sup>th</sup> grade-Emma A., Jose A., Camila C., Malyea C., Alberto C., Tristan E., Ryan F., Evelyn J., Rodney L., Justin M., Braden S., Reese S., Mayson R., Marcus P., Julian O., Brayden O., Damian M., Evan M., Sarah G., Jaydin B., Adeline C., Steven P., Jaime C., Phillip V., Jadon S.

6<sup>th</sup> grade-Anjela B., Kadie B., Jade C., Ainslie D., Waylon G., Danika K., Justin L., Tyler M., Connor N., Anthony P., Brooke S., Nam T., Neve A., Sabrina F., Alexander G., Nevaeh M., Katya M., Audrina P., Dillon W., Allie K., Anastasia M., Saul M., Camila P., Landen M., Arthur S.

## Classroom News



First grade has been learning about the attributes of different shapes and discovering how to cut those shapes into equal pieces to make halves and fourths. We are also learning about facts and opinions, verbs and words with blends and short vowels. We are thinking about others' feelings and learning to show empathy.

**Second graders** started the second quarter strong. We have been learning all about geometry and the attributes of shapes. In reading, we are working on identifying the plot of fiction stories. Our students are gaining confidence on our Chromebooks and showing off how much they can do with our amazing new technology!

**Third graders** are working hard to understand the difference between perimeter and area. They are also on the search for evidence in different kinds of texts to support their thinking. Third grade rocks!!

The **4<sup>th</sup> graders** are currently learning about Figurative Language & Narrative Forms. We will also be working on reading comprehension and fluency throughout the school year. In math, we have just started geometry. Next, we will move on to multiplying large numbers. To make sure students are prepared, make sure they are studying multiplication facts (with flash cards).

**Fifth grade** is excited to be back from fall break and back into the swing of learning! In math, we are focusing on fractions while we review comprehension strategies in reading. Science and social studies will be an exciting period as the students begin to experiment and learn about the world around them. In writing, the students are practicing adding details to their writing in order to produce higher quality samples. As always, we thank parents and families for their continued support and encouragement.

**Sixth grade-** In math students are working on integers and coordinate planes! Students were introduced to negative number land and what a fun time we have had learning!! In writing and science, students have started working on body systems. Ask your students about their 3D cell model!! Oh what fun! In reading, students have been working hard on annotating text and reading to compare and contrast different texts! Please check your students' binders for information about our annual Catalina Island field trip!!