

# We Believe!

# We Achieve!

# We Succeed!

October 2023 Newsletter

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that the first quarter will come to an end on Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Students will have early dismissal so teachers can finish submitting grades and start preparing for Parent/Teacher conferences. October 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup> are Parent/Teacher conferences and students will be released early at 12:00p.m. on these three days as well. This is an important school and family connection that focuses on the achievements of our students during the first nine weeks of the year. We strongly encourage parent participation. Please expect an invitation requesting your presence for the upcoming conferences. Here are a few items of discussion that you can expect during your child's scheduled Parent/Teacher conference:

- 1st Quarter grades
- Classroom behavior
- Student work samples and assessment results
- Tips or strategies that parents can use at home to improve your child's academic progress
- Encouraging your involvement at home to support reading with your child

Thank you for helping your child be successful at school by consistently "checking-in" and encouraging the completion of homework each school night. Please provide a quiet atmosphere so your child can focus on getting appropriate practice to learn the objectives introduced at school. Thank you for supporting our school and helping our students Believe! Achieve! Succeed!

To conclude the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, we look forward to a restful and relaxing Fall Break! There will be "No School" on Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> through Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Enjoy your time as a family and rest up for the second 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Please make sure you let me know if you have any concerns. You can reach me at Christopher.Nogami@fwusd.org.org or (520) 696-8250.

Respectfully,

Chris Nogami Principal



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 -Custodial Workers Recognition Day -9:00 AZ Opera Beauty & the Beast -2:10 Dragon Choir -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:15 Cross Country Practice	3 -2:10 Kinder Klub -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:15 Cross Country Practice	4 -Walk N Roll to School Day -Optimist Luncheon -2:15 Cross Country Practice	-Extra Recess Incentives -2:10 Kinder Klub -2:15 Cross Country Practice -2:30 Pomline Practice	6 End of 1st Quarter Early Dismissal 12pm -8:15 DOC Assembly
9 NO SKILLS -Holiday Help Applications Due -2nd Grade Mini Musters Event -Book Fair -11:30 Pizza Lunch w/ Principal -2:30-3:15 Dragon Choir -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:15 Cross Country Practice	10 NO SKILLS -National World Mental Health Day -Book Fair -9:00 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to AZ Desert Museum -11:30 Pizza Lunch w/ Principal -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:15 Cross Country Practice	11 NO SKILLS Early Dismissal 12pm -Parent Teacher Conferences -Book Fair	12 NO SKILLS Early Dismissal 12pm -Parent Teacher Conferences -Book Fair	Early Dismissal 12pm -Parent Teacher Conferences -Book Fair
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23 -BOO Grams -2:30-3:15 Dragon Choir -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:15 Cross Country Practice	24 -BOO Grams -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:10 Kinder Klub -2:15 Cross Country Practice	25 -BOO Grams -2:15 Cross Country Practice -2:30 PTO Meeting	26 -BOO Grams -School Picture Day -1:00 Honor Roll Assembly -2:15 Cross Country Practice -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:10 Kinder Klub -2:30 Pomline Practice -2:30 Cross Country Meet #1	27 -BOO Grams -2:15 Cross Country Practice
30 -2:30-3:15 Dragon Choir -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:15 Cross Country Practice	31 Halloween Celebrations -2:10 Reading Rockstars -2:15 Cross Country Practice			



Hi families! It's hard to believe that the end of the 1st quarter is near. We are looking forward to meeting with you all for conferences. Please sign up for a time slot ASAP if you have not done so already.

October  $4^{th}$  is National Taco Day! We will have a lot of fun activities planned including a taco meal together. Please sign up to donate items if you are able.

On October 31<sup>st</sup>, Kindergarten will have a class party. Students can wear appropriate costumes for school. Please keep masks at home.

Lastly, snack donations are always needed.

We are excited for a fun filled Fall and appreciate all you do!

-Your Kindergarten Teachers





Happy October! Fall is here! 1st Grade is busy this time of year. We are busy learning about animals, researching and writing animal books, and working on word problems. We also have a lot of fun, too!

We will be celebrating Fall with a Firstie Fall Festival on October 25th. Please be on the lookout for information from your child's teacher. We will also celebrate Halloween on the 31st. Again, each teacher will reach out with wishlists for donations.

We can't wait to see you at conferences! It will be great to connect with you and share your child's growth in the school year so far!.

Your First Grade Team, Miss Kiecolt, Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Powers





We are now two months into the year and Second Grade has been working hard each and every day! We are continuing to write complete sentences to make a paragraph, adding and subtracting numbers to 100, and asking and answering questions about texts. Please remember to check your child's homework folder daily for any updates, graded work, and weekly

homework. Students are responsible for completing and turning in homework on **Fridays**. Thank you for any support that you can give them in these areas!

This month we have completed our fire safety lessons with the Northwest Fire Department. We learned how to Crawl low under smoke, how to dial 911 and memorize our addresses and phone numbers. We will now get to participate in Mini Muster day held by the Northwest Fire Department. This will take place at Homer Davis on Monday, October 9th at 9:00 a.m. Your child must know their address and telephone number to participate. There will also be a station that involves water so you may send your child with a Change of Clothes and a towel. Please let your child's teacher know if you are able to come and help on that day. Also, be looking out for conference sign-up sheets. They will be coming soon! Lastly, Halloween will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 31st this year. Your child may dress up on this day just please remember it must be in dress code, and no weapons.

Thank you again for all of your generous classroom donations of snacks and supplies. Your support helps us stay safe, prepared and our bellies full throughout the day.

Ms. Roberts, Mr. Willer, and Ms. Logsdon

3rd Grade

September went by so quickly! Our third graders are learning many things—multiplication, division, and even how to collect and categorize data, the different genres (types of books) in reading, and how to write well organized paragraphs with fluent sentences in writing. As always, homework is very important; not only to assess learning, but also to reinforce what we are learning in school. We advise parents to check homework folders nightly to see what is going on in the classroom, and to look for important communications from the school and each teacher.

Remember that work missed during absences must be made up so that grades are not negatively impacted!

We have our first field trip on Tuesday, October 10th to the Desert Museum. Field Trips are earned and any student behind on work or with poor behavior/referrals, will not be joining the class on the trip.

Conferences are coming up soon. Most will be scheduled on October 11th, 12th, and 13th. It is our goal to meet with all parents for a conference. Each teacher will be reaching out to parents with their conference schedules. The end of the first quarter is Oct. 6th and there will be a half day for students on this day.

Please be sure you are checking your teacher's class app regularly. This is our main form of communication and if you are not checking or receiving the updates you might be missing out on important information. Please continue to call or email us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

The Third Grade Teachers



4th grade would like to remind you to continue to check in with your student about homework. Nightly reading (at least 20 minutes) and answering the reading log questions together can be a great way to keep tabs on your students reading progress. Discussing math homework and comparing how you might have learned certain math skills will help your child become an even better problem solver!

Secondly, parent-teacher conferences are the week of October 9th!

Conferences are October 11th, 12th, and 13th. (Some appointments available Friday, 7th.)

Plan on attending your child's conference during that week! Your teacher will contact you soon with a way to sign up for a time. Finally, thank you for the continued donations of tissues, hand sanitizers, snacks, and dry erase markers! These donations are always appreciated!

Thank you parents and guardians!

Ms. Aguirre, Ms. Lawson, and Mr. Martin





Dear Fifth Grade Families,

Check out our school web site at: http://www.davis.flowingwellsschools.org/ or like us on Facebook! Please continue to practice your Multiplication Math Facts with your child

daily. It is also important that your child is reading for at least 20 minutes straight each night and you discuss what they read with them when they record the responses on their log. Wednesday the 4th is Walk and Roll to School that morning. Please be safe when crossing the streets. Two students from room 11 will be joining Mr. Nogami at the Tucson Optimist luncheon on the 4th. The first quarter ends on Friday the 6th with a Dragons of Character Assembly at 8:15. This is also a half day of school for students. Wednesday the 11th, Thursday the 12th, and Friday the 13th are all half days. School will be dismissed at 12:00 noon on every half day. Ms. Chavez, Mr. Logsdon, and Mr. Van Derlaske will be meeting for conferences with each family. Please be prompt for your conference so the schedule will not be delayed. Fall Break will be the week of the 16th with school resuming on Monday, the 23rd. School Picture Day is Thursday, the 26th; forms aren't being sent home so you need to prepay online at www.BellPhoto.com with the web code: HomerDavisFall23. The 26th is also the Honor Roll assembly at 1:00. Please make sure Halloween costumes are school appropriate without any bloody items or weapons. If you have a concern, do not hesitate to speak with your child's teacher. We are looking forward to a great October month. Thanks for all the support during the first quarter of fifth grade!

- Ms. Chavez, Mr. Logsdon, and Mr. Van Derlaske



Hello 6th grade parents! We cannot believe the 1st quarter is almost over! Your children have really impressed us this quarter by their continued hard work! Parent teacher conferences are going to

be here before we know it, Please be on the lookout for conference sign-up sheets coming home with your child. In addition, Science students will be working on a project for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. There will also be a field trip to the Junior High & Desert Museum in November, parent chaperones are needed! Please continue to check in with your child for any important information that is specific to their class. Thank you for your continued support! See you soon.

Mrs. Spencer & Mr. Miranda





Great job Ms. Powers, Mrs. Spencer, and Mr. Willer starting the sports year with Boys' and Girls' Volleyball. Congratulations Dragons on a Great Season! Next sport up is Cross Country with Mrs. Abrams, so get your running shoes on.



# **Computer Lab Corner**

Students in the Computer Lab have been busy with a variety of learning activities this semester.

# Kindergarten:

- Signing into their Chromebooks with a QR code.
- Learning how to use the finger pad and a mouse.
- Practicing letters on the keyboard and using a mouse with ABCYA.
- Enjoy having students from FWJHS and FWHS assist us.

## First Grade:

- Will be learning how to sign into their Chromebooks with their Google Username and Password instead of a QR code.
- Practicing keyboarding and mouse skills using ABCYA and Mousepractice.orgfree.com.

### Second Grade:

- Introduced to Typing Agent, a district program to practice and enhance keyboarding skills.
- Used an art website, Art for Kids Hub, to create pictures for **Hispanic Heritage**.
- Continues to use ABCYA to practice keyboarding skills with fun, interactive games.
- Enhancing Science curriculum, States of matter, using various websites.

# **Third & Fourth Grades:**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades have started to create Google Slide presentations honoring our military veterans. They will create slides that require a title slide, detail slides with subtitles, images, captions, and creative backgrounds, and a conclusion slide. **Veteran's Day is November 11.**
- They continue to use Typing Agent to practice keyboarding skills.

## Fifth & Sixth Grades:

- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students have been practicing their keyboarding skills using Typing Test and Typing Agent.
- Students just completed a Google Slide presentation based on their **summer of 23** or a **little about their lives**. They were also required to self-evaluate their projects.
- Students will continue to develop stronger keyboarding skills by typing stories on Google Docs.

Morning Video Announcements – Homer Davis continues to produce live video announcements each morning starting at 8:02. We do all the audio and video from the Computer Lab, featuring Mr. Nogami with several student and adult guest announcers. We even have catchy tunes before and after the announcements. If you have a Google account at home, you can watch the announcements on YouTube at homerdavisannouncements (live).



# Dragon Dragons of Character and Pizza Lunch Winners

# September 2023

James Carpenter
Bryan Gonzalez

Stephan Arizmendi

Leeana Perez-Lehman

Regina Soto Ramirez

LayLah Huffman

Melanie Velarde Robles

**Alanis Gracia** 

**Maya Gastelum Ontiveros** 

**Jaylen Angulo Castillo** 

**Angel Fernandez Daniel** 

Sebastian Villarreal

Victoria Hoyos

Leilani Pallanes

**Giselle Martinez** 

Veronica Hasman

**Zacheriah Farrar** 

Angelinda Navarro

**Arielly Villarreal** 

Melina Durazo Bujanda



# September Building Blocks of Character **Arielly Villarreal**





Show your
Homer Davis Pride
with some spirit wear!
Your purchase helps support
Homer Davis
with a percantage of your sales
going right back to our school!
Just scan the QR Code and start

shopping!







Parent Teacher conferences are coming up.

Your child's teacher will be sending home communication regarding dates and times. Please plan to attend your scheduled conference to discuss your child's progress during the 1st quarter.

Conferences will be held on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup>. Dismissal on these days will be at 12:00 p.m., so please make sure to arrange for transportation for students during this time.



# Halloween will be celebrated on Tuesday, October 31st

As children are thinking about what to wear, please keep in mind the following guidelines when choosing costumes:

- Costumes must be dress code appropriate
- No Weapons
- No Fake Blood
- No Costume Masks
- No murderous or overly scary costumes



Students who wear inappropriate costumes will be asked to remove them. Thank you for your support as we try to make Halloween a pleasant experience for all of our students.

# SAVE the DATE

October 9th-13th

Follow Link for more information

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/homerdaviselementaryschool





**#ScholasticBookFairs** 

# TE PTO NEWS

Thank You for your support of our Poppin Popcorn Fundraiser!

Shout out to our top 3 Students

1. Markus Worcester

2. Laylah Huffman

3. Emmanuel Bautista Reina

Shout out to our Top Teacher
Ms. Robberts

Popcorn Prizes will be delvierd to students very soon.

Up Coming Events

October - Boo Grams November - Family Fall Night

VOLUNTEER!
WE NEED YOU. YES YOU.

Shop 1st Place
Spiritwear
for your
Homer Davis
Swag!



Join Us
During Our
Next Meeting
Wednesday
Oct.25, 2023
2:30pm
in the library

Check us out on facebook. Homer Davis PTO

# Elementary MENUS OCT 2023

Did you know?

Staying active helps build strong bones and muscles, relieves stress, and protects your heart. Aim for 1 hour or more of physical activity every day. Do whatever you love to do – Just get moving! **MSFE** 

# **Questions or Comments?**

Carl Thompson
Director of Dining Services
Phone: 520-696-8623
\*menu is subject to change\*

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Executive Chef	16 Miles			<b>T V V</b>
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Breakfast Sausage Breakfast Pizza Lunch Meatball Sub Bean&Cheese Burrito Turkey&Cheese Sandwich Chicken Garden Salad Seasoned Green Beans	3 <u>Breakfast</u> Warm Banana Muffin <u>Lunch</u> Mac & Cheese Grilled Ham & Cheese Sandwich Ham&Cheese Sub Chicken Caesar Salad Peppered Broccoli	4 Breakfast Fresh Cinnamon Roll Lunch Chicken Snowbowl Cheese Quesadilla Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chef Salad Buttery Corn	5 <u>Breakfast</u> Strawberry Poptart <u>Lunch</u> Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Fajita Turkey&Cheese Sub Ham & Cheese Salad Steamed Carrots	6 Breakfast Turkey & Cheese Biscuit Lunch Crispy Beef Tacos Hot Dog PB&J Sandwich Popcorn Chicken Salad Seasoned Refried Beans
9 Breakfast Donut Holes Lunch Orange Chicken Chicken Quesadilla Turkey&Cheese Sandwich Chicken Garden Salad Buttery Corn	10 <u>Breakfast</u> Cheesy Eggs & Hashbrown <u>Lunch</u> Chicken Teriyaki Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Ham&Cheese Sub Chicken Caesar Salad Buttery Carrots	11 <u>Breakfast</u> Fresh Cinnamon Roll <u>Lunch</u> Cheesy Nachos Sloppy Joe Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chef Salad Seasoned Refried Beans	12 Breakfast Fluffy Pancakes Lunch Cheese Pizza Chicken Alfredo Turkey&Cheese Sub Ham & Cheese Salad Seasoned Green Beans	13 Breakfast Sausage Breakfast Pizza Lunch Cheeseburger Bean & Cheese Tostada PB&J Sandwich Popcorn Chicken Salad Crinkle Fries
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23 Breakfast Belgian Waffle Lunch Chicken Nuggets Cheese Quesadilla Turkey&Cheese Sandwich Chicken Garden Salad Seasoned Green Peas	24 Breakfast Donut Holes Lunch Spicy Chicken Tenders Bean&Cheese Burrito Ham&Cheese Sub Chicken Caesar Salad Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	25 <u>Breakfast</u> Fresh Cinnamon Roll <u>Lunch</u> Pepperoni Pizza Chicken Fried Rice Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chef Salad Steamed Carrots	26 Breakfast Sausage Egg Breakfast Burrito Lunch Cheese Enchiladas Hot Dog Turkey&Cheese Sub Ham & Cheese Salad Refried Beans	27 <u>Breakfast</u> Warm Blueberry Muffin <u>Lunch</u> Cheesy Chicken Tacos Grilled Cheese Sandwich PB&J Sandwich Popcorn Chicken Salad Buttery Corn
Sausage Breakfast Pizza Lunch Cheesy Nachos Bean&Cheese Burrito Turkey&Cheese Sandwich Chicken Garden Salad Refried Beans	31 Breakfast French Toast Sticks Lunch Cheese Pizza Chicken Teriyaki Ham&Cheese Sub Chicken Caesar Salad Buttery Carrots			

# LOST AND FOUND

Please stop by our lost and found to pick up your students lost items.

Por favor pase por nuestro centro de objetos perdidos para recoger los artículos perdidos de su estudiante.

\*All remaining items will be donated at the end of every quarter.

\*Todos los artículos restantes serán donados al final de cada trimestre.







# Parents/Guardians

- Be In SCHOOL Be On TIME
- Please call our Attendance Line at 696-4805 to report student absences.
- Be sure to ALWAYS bring picture I.D.
- The bell rings at 7:55am.
- Tardy students must be signed in by an adult after 8:45am.
- The cutoff time for signing out students is 1:45pm.
- Please be sure to update the school with changes to your contact information (phone #, address, and email) in order to receive important school-wide notifications.
- Log in to your PowerSchool Parent Portal to access grades, attendance, fee information, and registration information. Please contact us if you need help logging in or creating an account.
- Remember to check the LOST AND FOUND for missing items.

# **Important Phone Numbers**

Attendance Line: 520-696-4805

Front Office: 520-696-8250

Health Office: 520-696-8252

Skills for Success: 520-442-7989

Homer Davis Y.E.S: 520-696-8397

# Homer Davis Text Message Notifications

Please text the word YES to 67587 to receive text notifications from our school. Remember to do this each time you change phone number!

# Follow us on Facebook and Instagram





# Visit our Website

davis.flowingwellsschools.org

Click Here: Homer Davis



# Need to Pay your Childs school fees?

We have made it easier for you. You can now find a link on our Website Homepage.

Look for the "Student Fees" Link!

# ¿Necesita pagar las cuotas escolares de su hijo?

Te lo hemos puesto más fácil. Ahora puede encontrar un enlace en la página de inicio de nuestro sitio web. iBusque el enlace "Student Fees "!



Please check your PowerSchool parent portal to review fees on your student's account.

Consulte su portal para padres de PowerSchool para revisar las tarifas en la cuenta de su estudiante.



