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November Newsletter

Thank you for participating in our Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences. Our school continues to have an outstanding participation rate with this important school and family team connection. We continue to encourage your participation in supporting your child with homework completion and listening to them read for 20 minutes each night. Your commitment to be involved with your child's education and continued school support is appreciated.

Throughout the course of the year, our school calendar becomes very busy. Here are a few school events taking place during the month of November:

- ◆ Second Quarter mid-term reports go home on or before **Thursday, November 9th**.
- ◆ Our monthly Dragon of Character Assembly is scheduled for **Thursday, November 9th**, at 8:15a.m. Fifth grade will be presenting the life skill of Integrity and Trustworthiness.
- ◆ Homer Davis Family Movie Night is scheduled for **Friday, December 8th**, from 5:00-8:00p.m
- ◆ Skills for Success: Homer Davis is still accepting participants. This program is after-school, free, supports academics, art, and good health. Please call Will Roberts at (520) 442-7989 for more information.

Flowing Wells School District has a unique web page. The district site will link to our school web page. Our web page looks great and can be viewed by logging on to www.davis.flowingwellsschools.org. The Homer Davis web page has our school newsletter, updates, staff picture, e-mail accounts, school phone numbers, and a calendar of events.

Please stop by to see me or call 696-8251 with any questions or concerns,
Lyle Dunbar, Principal



November 2017 Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			3 rd Gr Practice 8:10 am Cross Country Karate 6-9 MPR	3 rd Gr Practice 8:10 am Cross Country Meet @ Hendricks GAP Dinner	3 rd Gr Practice 8:10 am Cross Country	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3 rd Gr Practice 8:10 am Choir Cross Country Cheerleading 6-9 MPR	3 rd Gr Practice 8:10 am Cross Country Boy Scouts 7-8 MPR	3 rd Gr Performance 8:15am & 6:00pm PTO Meeting 2:30 Cross Country Karate 6-9 MPR	Dragons of Character Assembly 8:15 MPR Cross Country @ Jacob's Park GAP Dinner	Veteran's Day: No School		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Pizza Lunch with Principal Cross Country Choir	Pizza Lunch with Principal Cross Country Boy Scouts 7-8 MPR	Kinder to Tucson Village Farms 9-1 Cross Country	Cross Country Meet @ Christopher Columbus Park GAP Ministries Dinner Cheerleading 6-9 MPR	Mid-Terms Go Home! Kinder to Tucson Village Farms 9-1		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
DAP Testing Magic Box 1:00 Choir Cheerleading 6-9 MPR	DAP Testing Boy Scouts 7-8 MPR School Board Meeting 6:00	DAP Testing Turkey Trot 8-2 Karate 6-9 MPR	THANKSGIVING NO SCHOOL NO SKILLS	BREAK NO SCHOOL NO SKILLS		
26	27	28	29	30		
DAP Testing Choir Cheerleading 6-9 MPR	DAP Testing Site Council Meeting 2:30 Boy Scouts 7-8 MPR	DAP Testing Karate 6-9 MPR	DAP Testing Music Field Trip			



GRADE LEVEL NEWS



Kindergarten

What is kindergarten thankful for?

We are thankful for:

- The wonderful parents we saw at conference time.
- Our amazing volunteers.
- The students that have learned our routines, learned their letters, sounds, and numbers, know how to write their names, follow rules and are Peace Builders.

A trip to the Farm!

Our next field trip is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15th from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm. We will be visiting Tucson Village Farm and eating lunch at Children's Memorial Park. Please turn in your permission slip to your teacher as soon as possible!

Thankfully Yours,

The Kindergarten Teachers

First Grade

Happy November!!! Our fall festivities are still in full swing. First a want to give a big THANK-YOU to the parents who volunteered at the carnival, we are grateful for all your help. On November 9th be on the lookout for progress reports coming home to let you know how your child is doing in quarter 2. We will have no school on November 10 in honor of Veterans Day. Please be sure to thank a Veteran for their service. November 22nd will be our annual Turkey Trot, so please send your child in running shoes and clothes. On November 23rd and 24th, we will be off for Thanksgiving break. Please take this time to spend with family and get plenty of rest.

As always, please remember to read twenty minutes nightly and practice our weekly spelling and sight words!

Have a wonderful November,

First Grade Team

Second Grade

Hello 2nd Grade Families,

Thank you so much to our parent chaperones who joined us at the Pumpkin Patch and Mini Muster. October was a busy month, but we are ready for November. Continue reading and working with your child at home on comprehension and math skills. Please also continue to send snack and tissues with your child. And remind them to wear a jacket in the morning, now that it's getting colder. Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

The 2nd Grade Teachers



Third Grade

November is here and so is the 2nd quarter! We really enjoyed meeting with the parents that came for conferences. Now that we have one quarter over it is a good time to start making goals with your student for this quarter. Getting to school on time is very important, so continue to get here with enough time for breakfast before the bell.

Please have your child practicing their math facts at home and memorizing their multiplication facts as this will help students with their understanding and fluency with division! Third graders are also learning and practicing their cursive every day. It is a good idea to be practicing at home too. We are also starting a new science unit on Ecosystems and are excited to learn about the different ecosystems around the world!

Please remember that it is important to turn in homework every day and read the assigned chapter every night. Students who do not complete their work will miss out on class activities. Please continue to call or visit any of the teachers if you have any problems.

Thank you,
Your Third Grade Teachers

Fourth Grade

Happy November 4th Grade Families!

Please see below for important announcements:

- Field Trip- Please look out for our next field trip permission slip form. All field trips are earned based on good behavior and completed work. We will be passing out Christmas Cash as an incentive program and students will need to “pay” for the field trip using their the Christmas Cash they earn.
- Parent Portal- Please continue to check Parent Portal for updated grades and for missing work to complete. Progress reports will be sent home mid-November.
- DAP- DAP 2 testing will begin at the end of November. Please make sure your child is getting enough sleep, eating breakfast, and attending school on time.
- Turkey Trot- November 22nd will be the 2nd Annual Turkey Trot. We look forward to a fun and healthy day!
- Days off-
 - o November 10- Veterans Day
 - o November 23-24- Thanksgiving Break

We always appreciate your support and understanding throughout the year. Please do not hesitate to contact your child’s teacher with any questions or concerns.

-4th Grade Teachers

Fifth Grade

Thank you to all the families that attended the first quarter conferences to discuss your child’s report card. Science Fair project folders have been sent home and are now officially underway. The final project is due to their classroom teacher on 1/24/18. Astrid Guzman will be recognized at a Sullivan’s Steakhouse luncheon at the 1st by the Tucson Optimist Organization. An extra special thank you to all families that plan to attend the Homer Davis Carnival this Friday, the 3rd starting at 5:00. Thursday, the 9th at 8:15 will be a Dragons of Character assembly and 5th grade will be performing the life skills of Trustworthy and Integrity in the MPR. Midterms go home on Thursday as well. Please sign and return these on the following Monday. On Friday, the 10th, there will be no school in observation of Veterans’ Day. Sunday, the 12th is Ms. Binkow’s birthday! The Magic Box Stories that Soar will do a brief presentation of the 20th at 1:00. We will also host our classroom and grade level Spelling Bee this week. There is no school on Thursday the 23rd and Friday, the 24th due to Thanksgiving Break. Thank you for your continued support and making sure that your child is completing their homework daily. Please keep practicing your math facts and reading with your child nightly. Please continue to assist your child with their daily homework to increase their success.

-Ms. Binkow, Mr. Hensley, Ms. Paterson, and Mr. Van Derlaske

Sixth Grade

Thank you parents and students for a great first quarter! 6th grade is ready and excited for quarter 2!

Please be sure that you are checking your child's Science Fair due dates. You have a copy as well as your child has one glued in to their Science notebooks. It is important that they don't miss any deadlines and that they stay on top of each of the steps for their project.

Please support your child reading 20 minutes every night. Evidence shows that this helps increase understanding in many subject areas.

We hope that everyone plans on attending the carnival, this Friday, November 3rd. It will be a lot fun! Quite a few of you signed up to help us run our booth. We are grateful for your time and appreciate your support.

Happy November!

6th grade Team



Specials Area News



PE

Thank you Mrs. Wescott and Mrs. Abrams for coaching our Cross Country team for another great season. Cross Country's remaining meets... **11/2/17 @ Hendricks, 11/9/17 @ Jacobs Park, and 11/16/17 @ Christopher Columbus Park.** The next sport coming is flag football. Please come in the morning to start getting ready for the season and play some football.

Wellness

Great wellness week by all.....Thank you to Mrs. Powers and Mrs. Cavagnaro for guiding us to make wellness week a success. Continue to wear all of your workout gear on Wednesdays and be ready for the Turkey Trot coming up on November 22nd. Gobble! Gobble!

Music

As the Second Quarter gets going, so does our performance schedule. Every grade will go on stage at some point this year, and we have a couple of them coming up. Our soonest one will be 3rd grade on Wednesday, November 8th at 6pm. Our 3rd grade students have been working very hard on this Veteran's Day performance, so please come join us for the fun! Dragon Choir just finished up their performance at the District Choral Festival, and it was AMAZING! 1st grade will be coming up in December, so please be sure to ask your child about what they are doing in music! You are sure to hear about something exciting!

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions! ~ Ms. Thrush

Band & Orchestra

Thank you for continuing to encourage your musician to take at least 20 minutes each day to review our progress in class and to even look ahead. With our District Band and Orchestra Festivals coming in February, we need each student taking the time to learn his or her parts at home.

If you think your student could use some extra time practicing at school, I am usually in my room at lunch, and I love to have students drop by to play or ask questions.

In addition to lunch-time practicing, we also have an after-school program called *Marvelous Musicians* that meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:15 - 3:15. If you believe this might be beneficial to your student, please have him or her pick up a permission slip from me.

Thank you again for supporting fine arts in Flowing Wells. Have a great day!

Mr. O'Keefe

SCIENCE FAIR NEWS!

Attention 5th and 6th grade students!

The annual Homer Davis Science Fair will be on

January 30, 2018!

5th Graders- Scientific Method Projects

Start thinking of a testable question
and an experiment to explore that question!

6th Graders- Engineering Projects

Start thinking of a simple problem for which you can design a solution!

Please visit the SARSEF website for ideas and suggestions.

Sciencebuddies.org is another great resource.

**Parents- please look for due dates and guidelines
from your student's teacher**

If you have any questions, please contact

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or

Ms. Abeytia at jule.abeytia@fwusd.org

