

THE TUESDAY NEWSLETTER

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We can do it! Student Fundraiser

6 days left to sell, sell, sell.
When the tally reaches \$6000,
Miss Roe will put on rainbow-colored
eyelashes for an entire week.

Order forms are due this Monday,
November 29. Please help bring in the sales to
reach the goal. Buy a sticker with the new logo
and help support the growth of enrollment.

Dear Mountain Oak School Community,
Thank you to the Parent Association/Stewardship
Committee for the creation of the wonderful teacher
lounge area. It is lovely and relaxing.

Another thank you to Sunshine Reilly and all the families who participated in the campus clean-up day, the school looks great from all your efforts. Thank you to Billy Reilly for the new sign designating the office. Everyone take a look at the front of the office building. Yea!

Many families are doing lots of things to make Mountain Oak School special. **WE ARE**

THANKFUL for all the wonderful activity and support in making our school all that it can be.

Mountain Oak in Prescott's Christmas Paradel

Come walk and sing in the parade with Mountain Oak School, Saturday December 4th from noon to 3pm. We want lots of families to represent Mountain Oak School. Dress in red, green and/or white and wear or bring bells. The city theme is 'The Bells of Christmas' The parade begins at 1pm please arrive at our staging area which is between Gurley and Willis on Marina no later than 12:45. We will sing songs, carry our banner and be merry together. We will be singing Silver Bells, Sleigh Bells, White Christmas and of course Jingle Bells.

HOUSE BILL 2725 Requires schools to conduct a meeting to consider adopting a recess policy that would potentially structure recess for active and safe activities. The meeting for MOS will be Tuesday, Nov. 30th at 5:30pm in the multi-purpose room upstairs.

FREE VISION SCREENING

Good eyesight is important for the academic success of your child! Here is a great opportunity to get your kids' eyes checked from Kokopelli Eye Care: Free vision screening for children ages 3 and up. Saturday, December 4th, 2010, in Prescott Valley at 2820 N Glassford Hill Rd. 9 AM to Noon. Walk-ins welcome on first-come-first serve basis.

NOTE FROM OUR SCHOOL 'NURSE' It's that time of year again, when spiffles and speezes

again, when sniffles and sneezes start appearing. Please note: if



you are sending medicines to school for your child, they need to be delivered by you, the parent, and not

your child. Stop in the office to sign a permission slip for us to dispense your medicine. We are willing to do our best in meeting your child's needs when it comes to their medicines. Also, regarding the cold and flu season, remember to have your child bring a water bottle to and from school. This helps us to limit the use of cups in the classrooms and thereby reduce the spread of germs. Also please have the water bottles brought home each night for cleaning, If you have any questions regarding First Aid, please feel free to contact Ms Becky in the Office.

LOST AT THE LANTERN WALK:

My striped multi-colored 3x5 foot rug that I brought to the Lantern Walk at Goldwater Lake for someone to sit on. If you helped clean up and brought it home, could you please return it to me by bringing it to the school? If you are looking for your blanket from the same event, I took care of someone's white blanket and brought it to the school. Thank you for checking, Miss Therese

MOUNTAIN DAK HAS A HOUSE IN THE GINGERBREAD

VILLAGE! The world's largest gingerbread village in America adorns

the lobby of the Prescott Resort with more than 100 gingerbread structures



on display in a winter wonderland. Come and visit anytime open 24 hours! November 21st - December 29th, 2010 Please call 928-776-1666 for more information. Visit the village and see if you can spot Mountain Oak School's gingerbread house (see picture)! Big thank you to the Kankaanpaa family, the Giese/Peters Family and My Kid's Dentist.

FREE TO A GOOD HOME Amazing Siamese kitty needs a happy home. GREAT with kids, dogs & other cats. Beautiful, affectionate 2-year-old female loves to sleep and act silly. It's been a pleasure fostering this little sweetheart. We will miss her. Call Bridgid @ (928) 420-0511.

MAKE AN ADVENT CALENDAR

Saturday and Sunday November 27 and 28 from noon til 4 pm each day. LOCA-TION: 515 Oak St. Prescott, AZ 86303 COST: \$55.00 Please pre-register with Sharon McFeely by phoning her at 928-776-8014. Class size limited to 8 people.



Parent Survey Results

Mountain Oak School recently asked the parent body to respond using an online survey to the topics of dress code, pledge of allegiance and transportation. These topics are areas in which policy or procedure may be developed, changed, implemented or the school's position clarified. The faculty and or board of Mountain Oak School are in or will be in a discussion phase with these topics. A brief overview of the topic and the results of the survey data will be given. 70% of the parent body responded to the survey. Thank you.

tion and transportation issues were discussed. If charter code schools came back with a high percentage of parents willing Dress codes do not create individuality to use transportation it would be worth while for the coalition Dress code puts a financial hardship on families to contract for services and share the expenses.

The relevant data from Mountain Oak School is as follows:

32% would never use transportation

21% would occasionally use transportation

10% would sometimes use transportation

18% would frequently use transportation

19% would always use transportation

At this time MOS and other schools' data are not showing a high use count to make it feasible to contract for transportation services.

MOS wanted to know if parents understood the rational What is the curriculum/philosophy regarding the dress code behind the current dress code.

86% understood the rational completely 12% understood the rational somewhat 3% understood the rational a little 0% understood the rational not at all

MOS wanted to know if a uniform would better serve the 20% were somewhat supportive rational behind the dress code

23% strongly agree with uniforms 13% agree with uniforms 31% are neutral to uniforms 13% disagree with uniforms 20% disagree with uniforms

The charters schools of Yavapai County have formed a coali- Following are examples of the comments regarding dress

Would rather have a dress code because the current code is not enforced or adhered to

Shouldn't Waldorf inspired lean toward self expression and individuality

The dress code is fine the way it is

Uniform purchase has saved us money over dress code rules

Enforcing current code is most effective

Uniforms take the morning stress of what to wear out of the pic-

Children should be dressed for weather and play and meet the day not dressed as little adults

Because of mixed ages school should have some say in what is appropriate attire

Whatever is decided it should not be a financial hardship

The faculty and administration will appreciatively consider the data when reviewing the current dress code policy.

MOS wanted to know if reciting the pledge of allegiance is a practice the community supports.

35% were very supportive of students reciting the pledge

22% were neutral

7% were not supportive

15% were extremely not supportive

The faculty and administration of Mountain Oak School will carefully consider the parent body input when discussing/ deciding what the school's position will be regarding the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance



Silent Auction Wish List

This year's Silent Auction promises to be the best yet.

Here is our wish list so far for Silent Auction items. If you see something you can donate (or have a connection with someone who can donate an item) please let me know as soon as possible. The faster we can move on having our donation list assembled, the quicker we can post items on the internet and pass out auction booklets to tantalize eager bidders. Remember all items are tax deductable.

Anna Carnegie Marx 499-9379 Marx7329@gmail.com

Art: sculpture, paintings, mixed media, jewelry, classes...

Outdoor Activities:

Facilitating a Hike

Trailride

Taking a group out hunting

Taking a group out fishing

An astronomer with a tele-

scope to host a Star

party

Canoe rental (or boat)

Golf Package-lessons, or a

trip to the links or driving

range

Trip to the Zoo

Stay-cations: Providing a night's stay at local inns or re-

sorts

Spa Packages:

Massage therapists

Hair Stylists

Nails

Waxing

Misc. items:

TV (or other electronic media device, i.e. a projector) Chairs (new furniture if pos-

sible)

Movies (CD's)

Pop-corn popper (movie

style)

Desk-(new if possible)

Office chair (new)

Computer Services

Laptop, or home computer

(new)

Composter

Trees

Landscape services

Produce-from a local farm

Seeds

Raised beds

Dirt

Fencing

Candles or a fancy center-

piece

Local bands willing to pro-

vide entertainment

Cooler-(new)

Lawnchairs (new)

Fun outdoor lighting

Green oil change

Car wash

Seat covers

Floor Mats

Window tinting

Tie-died sheets

Funky recycled furniture

New Mattress

Pillows or pillow covers

Museum admissions:

Smoki

Sharlot Hall

Phippen

Body Health:

Dental packages

Chiropracter packages

Nutritionist

Gym memberships

Yoga, Dance, Pilates etc.

lessons

Massage

Naturopathic visits

Reiki

Hand-made items:

Quilts

Crochet

Felting

Fabric Art



NOVEMBER 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	S at
	1	2 Lantern Festival Talk 8:15am	3 12:30 PM Dismissal 1st-6th gr	4 Picture Retakes YC Performance	5	6
	Parent/ Teacher Conferences 12:30pm Dismissal for 1st –8th graders Sign-up for conferences in the office.			3rd -8th grades Parent Assoc. Mtg 5:30pm	Bake Sale After school	
	Board Mtg 3:30pm Wildflower Postponed		Optometry Talk 5pm			
7	8	g	10 12:30 PM Dismissal 1st-6th gr	11	2	13
			Lantern Walk (K-2nd gr)	Veteran's Day No School		
14	15 4th Grade Field Trip	December Lunch Order Forms go out today KG Parent Meeting 5pm	17 12:30 PM Dismissal 1st-6th gr	18 Walk thru the Grades Fall All School Assembly	Bake Sale & Soy Candle Sale After school	20 Campus Clean Up 10am-2pm Free Vision Screening
21	22	23 TODAY	24	25	26	27
Science Day @ Embry Rid- dle		December Lunch Orders Due Today NO EXCEPTIONS!		nksgiving Break No School appy Holidays!		Advent Calendar Workshop
28 Advent Calendar Workshop	29	Structured Recess Policy Mtg 5:30pm	1 12:30 PM Dismissal 1st-6th gr 6th gr. Parent Mtg. Spm-6:30pm	Soy Candle Sale After school Parent Assoc. Mtg 5:30pm	Bake Sale & Soy Candle Sale After school	4 Christmas Parade! Arts & Crafts Holiday Bazaar 10a-2p



December Events:

1: 6th Grade Parent Mtg
2: Parent Association Mtg 5:30pm
3: Bake Sale after school
6: Board Mtg 3:30pm
7: 4th gr. Sharlot Hall Museum
10: Bake Sake after school
11: School Holiday Party
16: Walk thru the Grades
16: PFAA Performance 1st -4th gr.
17: Bake Sale after school

20: First day of Winter Break

December 2010						
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Alert! Virginia Street Road Work

The City of Prescott and A. Miner Contracting will be working on Virginia Street from Willis to Gurley for approximately 3 weeks.

For 3 weeks,

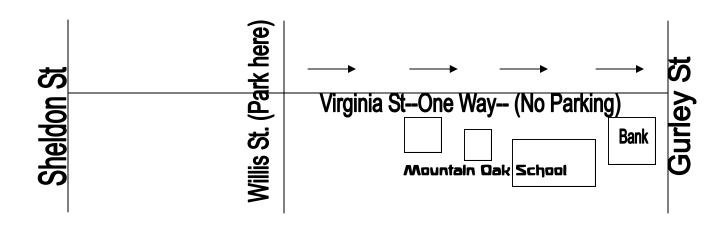
Virginia Street traffic will become a

one-way street heading south;

flow of traffic moves from Willis to Gurley for the 3 weeks of operation. Mountain Oak drop-off and pick-up pull thru will be operational.

There will be <u>no parking</u> on Virginia Street. Cars may park along Willis.

The City of Prescott has requested Mountain Oak School to ask parents to try to limit the amount of traffic on Virginia Street between Sheldon and Gurley; suggesting that drivers enter Virginia St. from Willis if they must enter at all. The contracting company has requested parents be conscientious about keeping students safely on the sidewalk and away from machinery.



Tax Credit Program? Arizona School What is the

schools. At Mountain Oak School, these married couple filing jointly to public tax payment to public schools for extracurallows you to direct your 2010 state income funds provide extra curricular activities and to \$200 per single taxpayer or \$400 per ricular activities. Taxpayers may direct up The Arizona School Tax Credit Program

state income taxes! Keep your receipt the school's Tax Credit Program re-It's simple - the money you donate to tax, thereby reducing your Arizona tax lifrom the total amount owed in state income amount donated may then be subtracted received from the school. The dollar places dollar-for-dollar what you owe in



Office Use Only:

/2010 Ck or Batch #_

How Can I Donate?

to qualify for your 2010 tax return. may participate. Donations can be made at any Anyone who pays taxes in the state of Arizona time but must be received by December 31st, 2010

have children attending school to participate. Please complete this form. You do not need to

Name
Address
City State Zip
Phone
E-mail .
Referred by the following Mountain Oak Family:
Method of Payment
☑ Check ☑ MasterCard
☐ Visa Amount Donated: \$
Card Number:
Expiration Date:/ Signature Authorizing Donation:

Where Do I Send My Contribution?

check out to MOS. memo line of your check, and make the Please write MOS Tax Credit on the

for a single taxpayer or up to \$400 Again, you may donate up to \$200 for married couples filing jointly.

Mail this form today with your check made out to MOS to:

Mountain Oak School 124 N. Virginia Street Prescott, AZ 86301

plied to: (choose one or more) \square I would like my donation to be ap-

8 th Gr. Year-End Field Trip	Specialty Subjects (Music, Arts	Where the Need is Greatest

Thank you for your support!