

CLUB NEWS

Club is closing early on Friday, February 7th for the Annual Youth of the Year Event.

Are you 13 years old? If the answer is yes, **YOU** can come to the Teen Center for free!



Grant Woods Branch – Mesa

**TEEN
CENTER**

**HOURS: MONDAY-
FRIDAY 3PM TO
8PM
WEDNESDAY 2PM
TO 8PM**

FOR OUR TEENS WE OFFER

- **LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS**
- **SCHOLARSHIPS**
- **SMART GIRLS/PASSPORT TO MANHOOD**
- **AND MANY OTHER PROGRAMS TO PREPARE OUR TEENS FOR THEIR FUTURES**

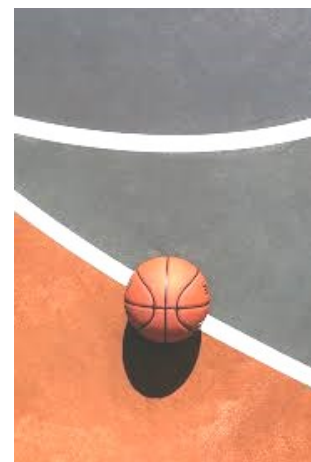
IN THEIR FREE TIME AT THE CLUB THE TEENS WILL BE ABLE TO ENJOY GAME SYSTEMS, SURROUND SOUND MUSIC, FLASHING LIGHTS, AND MUCH MORE!

TEEN LATE NIGHTS

ONCE A MONTH THE CLUB WILL BE OPEN TIL 9PM FOR THE TEENS. THESE NIGHTS ARE A FREE EVENT FOR ANYONE AGES 12-18. TEENS ARE MORE THAN WELCOME TO BRING FRIENDS



February 17th
Club Open
7:00am-6pm
Free



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE EAST VALLEY

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A WORD FROM MRS. KOPERNO

It is hard to believe that the 2019-2020 school year is at the halfway point! In fact, the 100th day of school was January 21st. Our annual registration is scheduled for March 1, 2020. If you know anyone with a child that will be eligible for the 2020-2021 kindergarten class, please spread the word about our upcoming registration. Equally important, parent-teacher conferences are March 2nd through March 6th. Additional information contained in this newsletter serves

as a valuable resource to keep you updated on your child's school experience.

I want to thank everyone for your continued support of our students, teachers, and school as we collectively strive to provide optimal opportunities for learning each and every day. There is no question about it - success at school starts at home. Families are the most significant influence in a child's schooling. Families model both spoken and silent language in front of their students. One of the hallmarks of a great school is the partnership estab-

lished between school and family in the best interest of the students – everyone working together to build skills and knowledge, develop a strong sense of self-worth, and reinforce values. Make an effort to participate in the Mesa Arts Academy Parent Organization (MAAPO). Our family carnival will be held in March, and is a great event to volunteer for to support our students and school.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me in the MAA office.



Help Our Kids & Save Money on Your Arizona Taxes!

The Arizona Extra-Curricular Activity Tax Credit is the main way we fund all of our extra-curricular activities. This includes the after-school musical, arts programs, field trips, and more!

If you, or anyone else you know, has Arizona State taxes taken from your paycheck or will owe State taxes this year, you can designate up to \$200.00 for a single person, or \$400.00 for a married couple of those taxes to go to the Academy.

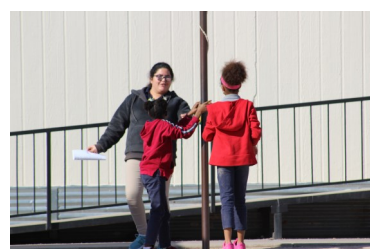
Any Arizona taxpayer may participate. If you individually cannot participate this year, other family members, friends or coworkers can take advantage of this opportunity. This is not a donation. It costs you nothing. You will receive this back when you file your State taxes as a tax credit. Please contact Mrs. Oyer or Mrs. Koperno if you have questions.

Kindergarten-Our class is moving right along with the reading program. Please watch for and read the reading pages that are sent home. Students are already able to read several words and are sounding out many more; they are well on their way to becoming successful readers. We have begun to have weekly spelling tests in class. Thank you for your support in helping your child study for these. In math, the students will continue to work with numbers by counting, adding, and finding missing numbers.

1st & 2nd Grade-.This month in math, first grade students will learn to focus on double digit addition and subtraction using place value. Students in first grade will also focus on Space Explorations and Animal Habitats. Students will plan and write a descriptive paragraph. Second graders have set 3rd quarter personal goals. They are excited to reach them and have been working hard to achieve them. Please encourage them to read every night for at least 15 minutes . We are scheduled to tour OdySea Aquarium on January 29th. We will be learning about habitats and ocean life to help enhance our visit. This will roll over into February. In math, students will start learning how to subtract using three digits. We will be focusing on realistic fiction in reading and landforms in Social Studies. During the month of February, students will take the Galileo test to measure their progress so far this school year.

3rd—5th Grade-Hard to believe it's already February! In third grade math, we are finishing division and beginning measurement. We will be comparing different types of text in ELA and finishing up our animal habitats in Science. Fourth grade will be finishing fractions and moving into decimals. In Science, we will be learning about magnets and electricity. Fourth grade also has the zoo overnight on Friday, February 21! In fifth grade, we will be moving on to month two of Book Clubs. In social studies fifth graders are doing an economics unit and delving deeper into fractions in math. Please have your student read and practice their multiplication facts!

6th - 8th grade -As spring arrives, we see our students blooming as they grow in their academic abilities. This month, we will be hard at work practicing test-taking strategies to prepare for the AZ Merit test and the 8th grade AIMS Science test! Before that, the students have Galileo benchmark testing February 11, 12, and 13. These will be the last benchmark tests before the state testing in early April. We expect to see their hard work pay off as they test with more confidence and demonstrate that they are on their way to meeting or exceeding the standards! Parent-Teacher conferences are the first week in March so look for conference appointment requests near the end of this month.



February 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Wonka Rehearsal 9:00-12:00 White Gym
2	3	4	5 Willy Wonka Musical Rehearsals 8:30-2:00 at MAC	6 Willy Wonka Dress Rehearsal for the school 12:40 Willy Wonka After School Musical 6:00 Mesa Arts Center	7 MAAPO Fundraiser Sports Team Day Annual Youth of The Year Club closes at 5:00pm	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 	15
Friendship Grams Photography Fundraiser						
16	17 No School President's Day Club and Office Open	18 Dress Down Day Fundraiser Let Freedom Swing Jazz Concert at MAA	19	20 MAAPO Meeting Room 7 5:30pm	21 4th Grade Fieldtrip Zoo overnight 5:30pm	22 Back from Fieldtrip 4th Grade Phoenix Zoo 10:00am
23	24	25	26	27	28 REACH Assembly 7:30 am	29



You can connect with the School, MAA and the Club all on Facebook!

MAA: <http://www.facebook.com/MesaArtsAcademy>

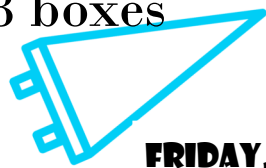
MAAPO: <http://www.facebook.com/MesaArtsAcademyParentOrganization>

Grant Woods Branch: <http://www.facebook.com/grantwoodsbranch>

**THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARENTS
FOR THEIR SUPPORT BY SELLING**



Top Sellers! Top seller second year in a row!
Lluvia Gamboa -11 boxes Maya Leal and Violet Koperno
8 boxes



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH!



Sports Team Day!

**Wear a jersey or shirt of your
favorite team for \$1**



MUST WEAR UNIFORM BOTTOMS



**Dress Down
Day
Tuesday 2/18**



\$2.00

CLOTHING MUST STILL FOLLOW
SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Spring Carnival

The MAAPO carnival will be held on March 20th.

We are looking for volunteers to run booths and concessions.
If you have an idea or are willing to put together a game booth,
please contact Stacie LePert at stacielepert@yahoo.com or 623)285-4235

We will be discussing ideas and making plans during the next
MAAPO meeting on February 20th.

ARTS DEPARTMENT

Willy Wonka!

Our after school musical group is excited to perform
Willy Wonka Kids at the Mesa Arts Center on February
6th at 6:00 pm.
Mark your calendars because this show is going to be
sweet!



Field Trips

On January 29, our 1st-3rd students were able to attend a field trip to the OdySea Aquarium.
They loved exploring marine life and seeing the animals up close.

Let Freedom Swing Jazz Concert

All of our students will be attending jazz performance on 2/18 with several guest artists
from the Lincoln Center. They will be visiting our school three times this year school year
to take us on a journey through the history of jazz right inside our gym.

Mandatory Spring Performance Dates

K-2nd, May 4: Students arrive at 5:30, show starts at 6:00pm

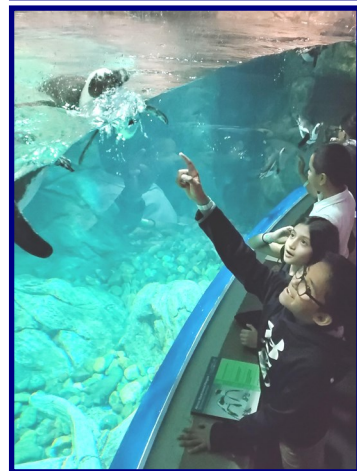
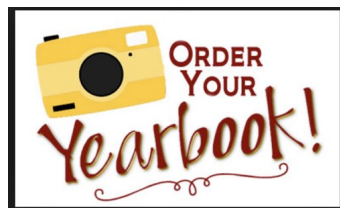
3rd-5th, May 5: Students arrive at 5:30, show starts at 6:00pm

6th-8th, May 11: Students (percussion, guitar, advanced music, musical theater, and dance) stay after school,
show starts at 6:00pm

Martin Luther King Jr. Parade City of Mesa



*Attention Parents and Students!
Pre-Order your Yearbook today!
2019-2020 yearbooks are on sale until March 6th for \$13.00,
price after March 7th, \$15.00!*



Mesa Arts Academy Presents...



February 6th 2020

6:00pm at the Mesa Arts Center's Piper Theater

1 East Main Street, Mesa AZ 85201

Admission is FREE and doors open at 5:30

*Everyone is invited, bring your
family, friends and neighbors!!!*