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Dear Mesa Arts Academy Families,

It's hard to believe it's October! I'm always amazed at how quickly time passes. Our teachers have been busy getting to know each and every one of your children and building a community in the classroom. These past months we assessed all students to determine each child's strengths and areas of growth. We are using this information to set goals for your children and to guide instruction. Thank-you all who showed up for their child's/children conferences. We have so many great successes happening and we are proud to partner with you in education. The key for success is twoway communication. We look forward to meeting with you to discuss the essential ingredients that go into making this year the best ever for our students. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out, I am happy to work with you.

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## MISS. PADILLA KINDER

Hello families! The kindergarteners have been impressing me with how much they are improving. Their ability to stay engaged and on task is making it so fun to plan and teach lessons. This month is my favorite month of the year because the weather starts getting cooler, students tend to show vast improvement in learning, and it's officially "Spooky Season"! This will be a fun and eventful month. As your child continues to work hard, remember that there are still things that you can do at home to help support their academic needs. I will be sending home readers for students to read each week. These are now what should be read at home (by the child) and be recorded in the Reading Log. Students can also read their monthly words in their binder; this will also qualify in the reading logs. As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any questions that you may have. Let's have a spooktacular month!

## 1ST GRADE MRS. HARPER 2ND GRADE MRS. JACKSON

Wow! October is here; the beginning of the year flew by. The students have been working very hard and have learned a great deal. In reading, the students will continue learning new sight words and using phonics skills to decode and spell words carefully. Of course, please remember to read with your child at least 15 minutes every night. In math, the first graders will continue to strengthen their math skills with addition and subtraction problems. In writing, the students are writing sentences with correct punctuation, capitalization, and word spacing. We really enjoyed getting to visit with you at parent-teacher conferences. We appreciate all your support in making this year a successful year of learning for your child.





Having Fun at Mesa Arts Academy







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Thank you Teachers!!

Art Classes

















## 3RD-5TH GRADE MR. RENDON, MRS. LITTLE & MRS. KOPERNO

Happy October! It was great seeing everyone at Parent Teacher Conferences. Third grade will be reading our unit on animal adaptations and will be starting patterns and multiplication. Fourth grade will be multiplying using partial products, expanded form, regrouping, by tens and area models, working on the literary unit Characters' Actions and Reactions, learning about the water cycle and earth's systems, and researching ancient Native Americans in the U.S. Fifth grade will be working on decimals and will now be moving on to a Civics unit. Have a wonderful Fall Break!

## MIDDLE SCHOOL MRS. LOLLIE, MRS. OYER & MRS. BUENROSTRO

We hope you had a restful break. It was a pleasure seeing you at conferences. We are so proud of the Middle School students' hard work, dedication, and progress. We look forward to their continued growth in quarter 2, and are committed to providing them with even more opportunities to shine! Please make sure to follow up on tutoring or other arrangements that have been made to ensure your child's success at school. October 23-31 is Red Ribbon Week. Flyers will be sent home detailing ways students can participate. Thank you for all your support!

Students in all grades, may choose to wear costumes to school on October 31st. Please note that children are not permitted to wear scary costumes or masks, bring sharp edged props such as sticks, swords, knives, weapons, have bare midriffs, feature blood and gore, etc.













Week Without Violence











## "Week Without Violence"

**Peace Poster Poetry Contest Winners** 

Elena M

Jovana J

Jose H

Olivia G

Adam R

**Brandon H** 

Kennedi D

**Kosiah** T

**Emely C** 

Danitza S

**Yoselin M** 

Prestyn B

Violet K

Cesar A

**Aracely N** 







### Red Ribbon Week

October is always a fun month at school...we'll be diving into all things Fall as we gear up to the busy holiday season. October is Red Ribbon month. The end of October (October 23-31) became formalized as Red Ribbon Week in 1988 by a proclamation of the United States Congress. Red Ribbon Week activities are organized each October by tens of thousands of schools, government agencies, and social service organizations. The main purpose of Red Ribbon Week is to celebrate and promote positive choices and healthy, drug free lifestyles for young people and adults in the United States. MAA always celebrates Red Ribbon week with fun activities. Details will follow.

#### **DAILY THEME:**

MONDAY: "Red Out against Drugs and Bullies" Wear a red shirt. (K-5 Uniform bottoms).

TUESDAY: "Be a Hero, Save a Life" Wear a Superhero Shirt. (K-5 Uniform bottoms).

WEDNESDAY: "Wild about a Drug and Bully Free Life" Wear crazy hair, socks, animal print.

THURSDAY: "Sports Day" Show your team spirit. (K-5 Uniform bottoms).

FRIDAY: "Shout Out With School Spirit" Wear school colors.

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



Please enroll your Fry's V.I.P Card to Fry's Community Rewards Program. Log in at www.FrysCommunityRewards.com and follow the instructions. Find Mesa Arts Academy and the number for the school is 80353.

#### LIMIT THE SUN BUT NOT THE FUN! BE "SUNWISE!"



#### **Use Sunscreen Every Day!**

Even on cloudy days, the sun's rays can damage your skin. Wear sunscreen with an

SPF of 15 or higher. Apply 15 minutes before going outside and reapply every 2 ½ hours or sooner if perspiring or engaging in water activities. Wearing sunscreen every day is as important as brushing your teeth!

#### Wear a Hat and Lip Balm!



A hat with a wide brim offers good protection for your scalp, ears, face and the back of your neck. The bigger the brim, the better the protection. Protect lips with SPF 15+ balm.

#### Wear Sunglasses!



Sunglasses reduce sun exposure that can damage your eyes and lead to cataracts. Check the label and choose sunglasses that block at least 90% of UVA and UVB rays.

#### Cover Up!



Wear long sleeves and pants if possible to protect your skin when playing or working outdoors. Darker colors and fabric with a tight weave provide the most protection.

#### Limit Time in the Midday Sun!



Limit your outdoor activities when the UV rays are the strongest and most damaging (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.). Remember: Watch Your Shadow--No Shadow, Seek Shade!

#### Seek Shade!



Find something fun that doesn't involve the direct sun. Look for shade under a tree, a ramada or find an indoor activity inside a gym, library or classroom during peak UV.



Check the daily UV Index!Did you know you can check the intensity of the sun's rays every day? The ultraviolet or UV index is a way of measuring the sun's radiation level. The scale is from 1 to 10. The higher the UV, the more careful you should be. A day with a UV rating of 10 requires more protection than a day with a rating of 1.

#### **Avoid Sun Lamps and Tanning Booths!**



These artificial sources of UV light can cause as much damage as the sun's UV rays.

Remember, there is no such thing as a safe tan. To get a tan, skin damage has to occur!









#### INVITATION TO ALL FINALISTS 364

We invite finalists to the Celebrate Peace event Saturday October 8, 2022, 2-4 PM

Mesa Community College Performing Arts Center, 1520 South Longmore, Mesa AZ 85202 YOU MUST RSVP TO YOUR TEACHER AND LET US KNOW IF YOU WILL ATTEND AS WE PREPARE YOUR CERTIFICATES, RIBBONS & PEACE BRACELETS

> All FINALISTS please arrive BEFORE 1 PM for registration SEATS ARE LIMITED

Parents, please connect with the teacher - we have a link to reserve your seats Lobby Opens at 1230 PM, Activites, Exhibits, Clowns, Balloons Dr. Tammy Robinson, President of Mesa Community College will welcome all and will be giving the Veterans and Vocational Awards

WEEK WITHOUT VIOLENCE October 2-8 IT IS GOOD TO PROMOTE PEACE Peace Begins With a Smile......Mother Theresa









We are excited to share the news that we were selected by BodyArmor /and the Mamba/Mambacita Foundation to take part in the basketball court refurbishment project. We are excited to partner with Swire Coca-Cola as we start to plan the opening event.

Parents do not forget that payment for November is due on October 20th.

The club will be closed for Training on 10/14/22.

# PARENT ALERT!

Mesa Arts Academy offers free healthy meals to all students.

Every one qualifies regardless of your household's income. For more information, you may call Arcelia Tovar at 480-844-0963 or e-mail at arcelia.tovar@bgcaz.org

Breakfast is served from 7:10am-7:30am in the cafeteria. Lunch 11:00am-12:45pm in the cafeteria



National School Lunch Week October 10-October 14th

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