

A word from Mrs. Koperno

March is such a great month at MAA. Our Garden is ready for planting and the weather is perfect for outdoor learning. Testing season has begun; please be sure your child gets a good nights rest the day before tests. Teachers will be sending out testing information soon. Registration packets for next year will go home after Spring Break

8th Grade Parents: Now is the time to register for High School. Many High Schools in the area give tours. Let the front desk know if your child is out due to a tour and they will not be counted as late. If you need help finding the right High School, please feel free to contact me.

We Respect Each Other

Being respectful is more than just using good manners—it means treating people the way you want to be treated. Keep these ideas in mind to help your whole family focus on respect.

Use peaceful tones—It’s a fact that shouting often leads to more shouting. Ask your child to speak in a normal tone to show respect for the person they are talking to, and for everyone around them.

Avoid making assumptions—Your youngster can respect others’ feelings by giving them the benefit of the doubt. For example, encourage your child to rephrase an accusation like, “Who took my water bottle?” Instead, they could ask, “Has anyone seen my water bottle?” That is more respectful because it won’t make anyone feel accused or defensive.

Accept different opinions—With your child, role-play ways to respect opinions that are different from their own. They might start a sentence with, “That’s one way to look at it, but I think—” or, “A lot of people would agree with you. In my opinion—” If a conversation is getting heated, your child could simply say, “Let’s agree to disagree and talk about something else.”

Have a fantastic March!

ASBESTOS Notification

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) requires all public and private elementary and secondary schools to inspect for asbestos in school buildings and to submit a report (management plan) to the State of Arizona. AHERA also requires that the Local Education Agency (LEA) perform six-month inspections and to notify all parties concerned of any changes or updates. Parent / employee notification must be made on a yearly basis. The management plan (MP) is available for review at the administrative office of the campus.

Mesa Arts Academy’s Campus was inspected and tested for Asbestos Containing Building Materials by a licensed and accredited service and lab in 2019. Mesa Arts Academy is Asbestos Free.



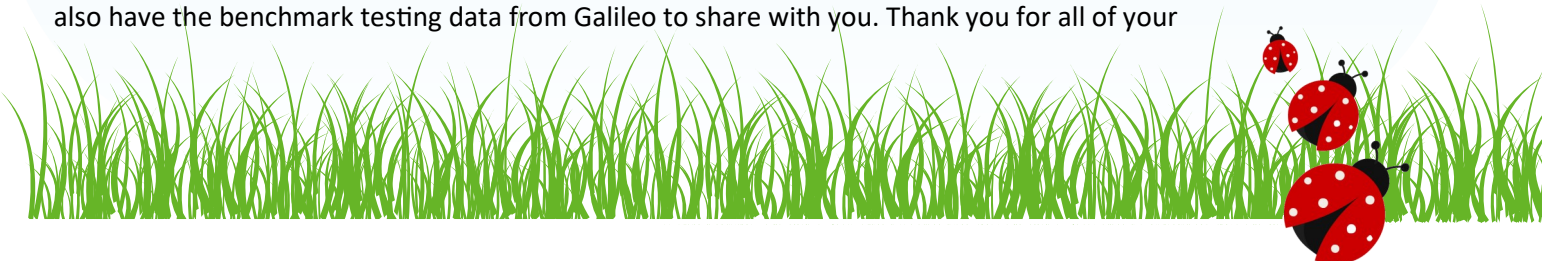
Kinder March is here! We are excited to be celebrating National Reading Month by learning about a new author each week. As always, I encourage you to continue reading at home with your children especially during our break; students who fill out their reading logs will receive a prize. Parents, please keep in mind that parent teacher conferences are this month and we will be wrapping up this third quarter before spring break. We will also be celebrating St. Patrick's Day by wearing green and participating in St. Patrick's Day activities. We will also be eating green snacks such as kiwi, green grapes, and green apples. Thank you again to the families who donated last month. We are always in need of packaged snacks (peanut free), water bottles, Lysol wipes, and Kleenex. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me about any questions or concerns that you may have. Let's keep working hard and have another great month!

1st Grade Our first-grade class enjoyed our Valentine Party. Thank you to all the families that expressed such love and appreciation to me. It is hard to believe that our spring break is just around the corner. We have a lot to learn before then. One way you could really help is to please have your child read every day; it is one of the most important things they can do to become better readers! As we approach the fourth quarter, please work with your child on sight words, spelling words, and addition facts. In math, the students will continue solving addition and subtraction story problems, as well as counting money, and telling time.

2nd Grade Our third Galileo State Testing is complete and I am so proud of the students' growth! Thank you for the support at home. Reading every night is truly making a difference. As we approach our final quarter, we will continue to work on regrouping 3-digit numbers in addition and subtraction. We will end the year working on time and money. In reading, 2nd grade will learn about the American Revolution, present day governments, and point of view. I hope you all have a joyful and relaxing spring break!

3rd, 4th & 5th Grade It's March, and that means it is time to start preparing for AASA, our state assessment. Please make sure that your children are in attendance every day, on time, and remind them to ask their teacher if they need additional help to ensure their success on the AASA. It is also important that students are getting enough rest each night, as well as a good breakfast in the morning. Keep having your third and fourth graders read to you at home and practice their math facts. Fifth graders should be reading at least 30 minutes a day outside of school. Also, we are always in need of tissues and wipes, and we truly appreciate your donations!

Jr. High Spring is quickly approaching! With spring, we also start looking toward our fourth and final quarter. But first, we will see you at Parent Teacher conferences. Our goal is to meet with every family and to have a plan to help your child finish strong, whether it is to get ready for high school or the next grade level. After Spring Break, the second week of March, we will be making some changes to our math and reading intervention times. We will give you more information when we meet during conferences. We look forward to meeting with you to celebrate your child's progress and to set up our plan to finish strong. By that time, we will also have the benchmark testing data from Galileo to share with you. Thank you for all of your



Mesa Arts Academy Parent Organization

Greetings from MAAPO!

We are only a few months away from the end of the school year! We want to thank all the teachers and staff for the wonderful job they have done. Every year MAAPO recognizes our amazing teachers and staff!

We invite all parents/guardians to come to our All Parents Meeting on Tuesday, March 22, to help us plan our MAAPO-sponsored Staff Appreciation week. We would love to hear your ideas and get to know you better. We would also like your help and ideas in planning a Family Fun Night to end the year with a blast!

We work hard to foster a community environment here at Mesa Arts Academy. We appreciate you and all the parent input, support, and help you give.

Important dates:

Dress Down Day: Thursday, March 17th

MAAPO Meeting: Tuesday, March 22, 5:30 pm

We look forward to seeing you!

Shawndel, Joaquin, Nicole, and Bri!



Thank you everyone for supporting our Photography Class Friendship Gram Fundraiser!

Club News

- * Soccer information will be going out soon. Date and Time TBD
- * Payment must be paid in full for the After School Program in order to attend the club.
- * Spring Break is also included in the monthly fee if already paid.
- * Monthly Fee review will be taking place for all members this month and needs to be filled out and turned in by March 4th.
- * 13 and up kids are free to attend the club for the school year. No monthly charge.



RIGHTS OF HOMELESS STUDENTS

Mesa Arts Academy shall provide an educational environment that treats all students with dignity and respect. Every homeless student shall have access to the same free and appropriate educational opportunities as students who are not homeless. This commitment to the educational rights of homeless children, youth, and unaccompanied youth, applied to all services, programs, and activities provided or made available.

A student may be considered eligible for services as a "Homeless Child or Youth" under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act if he or she is presently living:

- In a shelter, temporary shared housing, or transitional living program
- In a hotel/motel, campground, or similar situation due to lack of alternatives
- At a bus station, park, car, or abandoned building

According to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act, eligible students have rights to:

Immediate enrollment: *Documentation and immunization records cannot serve as a barrier to the enrollment in school.*

School Selection: *McKinney Vento eligible students have a right to select from the following schools:*

The school he/she attended when permanently housed (School of Origin)

The school in which he/she was last enrolled (School of Origin)

The school in the attendance area in which the student currently resides (School of Residency)

Remain enrolled *in his/her selected school for the duration of homelessness, or until the academic year upon which they are permanently housed.*

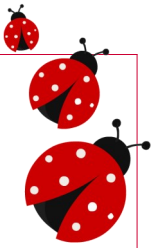
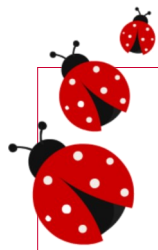
Participate in programs *for which they are eligible, including Title I, National School Lunch Program, Head Start, Even Start, etc.*

Transportation Services: *A McKinney-Vento eligible student attending his/her School of Origin has a right to transportation to and from the School of Origin.*




Dispute Resolution: *If you disagree with school officials about enrollment, transportation, or fair treatment of a homeless child or youth, you may file a complaint with the school district. The school district must respond and attempt to resolve it quickly. During the dispute, the student must be immediately enrolled in the school and provided transportation until the matter is resolved. The Homeless Liaison will assist you in making decision, providing notice of any appeal process, and filling out dispute forms.*

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March 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Photography Class Fieldtrip Goldfield Ghost Town	3 Spring Photos	4 Early Release 12:30 PM	5 Performance at Desert Ridge High School
Parent / Teachers Conferences Early Release 2:00						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Spring Break Office Closed Club Open 7am-6pm						
13	14	15 Cheer Practice 3:30-5:30	16	17 Dress Down Fundraiser  Adv. Music, Colorguard & Cheer Practice 3:30-5:30	18 Honors Assembly 6th-8th Grade 2:05-2:35 K-5th- 2:45-3:15	19
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Celebrate National School Breakfast Week!
March 7-11, 2022

It's a great time
to try out
school breakfast!

PARENTS: Did you know?
Your child can super
charge with healthy
breakfast options
at school!

TAKE OFF

WITH SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Studies show that students who eat school breakfast are more likely to:

✓ Reach higher levels of achievement in reading and math

✓ Score higher on standardized tests

✓ Have better concentration and memory

✓ Be more alert

✓ Maintain a healthy weight

A nutritious breakfast at the start of the day is a great way to ensure students are energized and ready to learn!

ZOOM!

Follow SNA and #NSBW22 on Social Media:



facebook.com/TrayTalk



@Schoolnutritionassoc



@SchoolLunch

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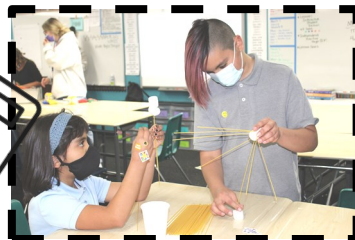
Feeding Bodies. Fueling Minds.™

Kellogg's

**Great Job
Everyone!**

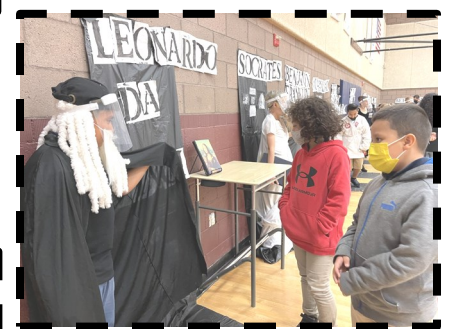
**PRESS!
START!**

**Great Job
Everyone!**



Math Night

Wax Museum



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+
x**



**Great Job
5th Grade!**



March Birthdays

KG

Carmelo P.S.

Isrrael L.G.

1st

Elias J.A.

Julianna L.P.

2nd

Sofia A.

Navid T.

Roman S.

3rd

Ivan A.G.

Ariana M.H.

Ariana R.M.

4th

Riley O.

Fiona H.

5th

Jayden C.

6th

Alex H.H.

Roselani E.Z.

Dominic R.

David C.Z.

7th

Theresa M.E.J.

Hector T.

Daylen V.

8th

Kevin L.P.

