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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Wishing you a safe and joyful winter vacation, as well as a Happy New Year!



School Tax Credit

Public
School Tuition
Organizations

\$200 SINGLE

\$400 MARRIED

EXAMPLE: Mr. & Mrs. Smith owed \$400 on their taxes, donated the maximum combined amount of the Public School and QCO tax credits of \$1200 on their Arizona tax returns and will now receive a refund of \$800! No catch, dollar-for-dollar assistance to your favorite organizations and schools. Mesa Arts Academy, School Tax Credit TDS Code: 078613101 on AZDOR Form 322



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A Word From Mrs. Oyer

As we approach the conclusion of 2024, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering commitment to Mesa Arts Academy. The success we have achieved since the beginning of the school year is largely attributed to the involvement of parents, caregivers, and families like yours. A special thank you to everyone who participated in Reading Under the Stars; it was truly thrilling to witness the students enjoying the evening with their families. I also wish to extend my appreciation to our teachers for their steadfast support, MAAPO, Maricela, Lindsay, Vanessa and a particular thanks to Mrs. Buenrostro for enhancing the experience by offering students the chance to observe the moon through her telescope.

I wish you a restful winter break and hope you cherish this time with your family. As we enter the New Year, I wish you health and happiness.

Please note that school will be closed starting December 20th. During this winter break, consider ways to strengthen your bond with your children and continue to support their academic growth and success. The holiday season offers a perfect opportunity for storytelling around the dinner table or maintaining bedtime reading routines, which help bridge home and school expectations. Young learners thrive on regular schedules, and I encourage you to prepare them for their return to school on Tuesday, January 7th, by emphasizing the importance of being well-rested and ready to learn.

Have a great winter break!



Kindergarten Mrs. Schreck

It's hard to believe we've reached December! With holiday breaks just around the corner, it's more important than ever for students to stay focused in class and attend daily. There's so much to accomplish, and I'm thrilled with the incredible progress our students have made—especially in their reading skills!

At this stage, your child is becoming more independent with their reading. I encourage you to continue fostering this growth by reading together at home. Students should be practicing their CVC word lists (found in their binder), sight words, and any additional materials sent home. These small daily efforts make a big difference!

I'm so proud of the hard work and dedication I see every day. Let's finish 2024 strong and set the stage for an amazing year ahead!

Thank you for your continued support.

1st Grade Mrs. Harper 2nd Grade Mrs. Jackson

As we finish up the first half of the 2024-2025 school year, it is a great time to reflect on the many accomplishments in first and second grade. The students have learned many new sight words, they have been decoding words and working hard on their fluency skills. We will continue to strengthen and build on these reading skills.

In first grade math, we will continue to focus on addition and subtraction strategies. In first grade Social Studies, we will be studying about different holidays around the world.

In second grade math, we will continue to work with place value and adding and subtracting up to 3-digits with and without regrouping.

Please continue to read with your child every day. Reading with your child is one of the best things you can do to help them in their educational endeavors. We are looking forward to winter break and hope you all have a wonderful and safe holiday.

- Parent Reminders**
- **Campus Opens for Drop-Off: 7:00 AM**
 - **Breakfast Served: 7:10 AM - 7:25 AM in the cafeteria**
 - **Bell Rings: 7:25 AM**
 - **School Starts: 7:30 AM ***

***Students must be in their classrooms by 7:30am to avoid being marked absent/tardy.**

						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Coffee with the Principal 7:30am-8:00am Alice in Wonderland Rehearsal 3:00pm-4:30pm	4	5 Alice in Wonderland Rehearsal 3:00pm-4:30pm	6	7
8	9	10 Winter Showcase K-5th Grade 6:00pm	11 Winter Showcase 6-8th Grade 5:30pm	12	13	14
Photography Fundraiser Winter Grams						
15	16	17 Alice in Wonderland Rehearsal 3:00pm-4:30pm	18	19 Early Release 12:30 pm	20 Winter Break Begins No School Club Open	21
22	23	24	25 	26	27	28
Winter Break NO SCHOOL CLUB CLOSED						
29	30	31	January 1 	January 2	School will resume on January 7, 2025.	
Winter Break NO SCHOOL						

The club will be open on December 30th and 31st, 2024, as well as January 2nd and 3rd, 2025.

Club News



The Boys & Girls Clubs Grant Woods Branch would like to invite 30 Mesa Arts Academy students to come and experience the after school program at the club on December 19th. Come explore the club and meet the staff at Grant Woods. There will be games, food and lots of fun! Santa will be visiting us and bringing presents to give to members from 430pm to 6pm. Please enroll online at bgcaz.org for the Grant Woods. There is no annual fee charge for MAA students. Please sign up as soon as possible as this is a first come first serve invitation. After you enroll please contact Melissa Maxson at melissa.maxson@bgcaz.org to add your name to our December 19th event.



Mr. Rendon 3rd Grade, Ms. Adams 4th Grade and Mr. Reis -5th Grade

Happy Fall! The 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades are diligently preparing for our upcoming Thanksgiving and Winter breaks. In Mathematics, 3rd graders are enhancing their multiplication skills as they prepare to transition to division. The 4th grade is focused on multiplication comparisons, while 5th graders continue their unit on volume.

In English Language Arts, Ms. Adams is guiding students in citing textual evidence and understanding main ideas and supporting details within our Government Unit.

In Science and Social Studies, Mr. Reis in 3rd grade is exploring how animals and plants adapt to their environments, emphasizing life cycles, traits, and resource utilization to integrate science and social studies concepts. Meanwhile, 4th graders are investigating the impact of weather systems and the water cycle on ecosystems, while also learning about the geographic regions of America and their influence on the environment and human adaptation.

6th Grade Mr. Kyle 7th Grade Mrs. Little, 8th Grade Mrs. Buenrostro

Happy holidays from the Middle School teaching staff! 🎅 As we reflect on half a year already behind us, we can see the hard work we have been putting into filling in learning gaps while providing opportunities for personal growth as well as growth as artists. We appreciate all of the support you give your child and our program. If you would like to take their math practice to another level, allow your child to login to <https://hnhco.com> website for additional practice by using the "Waggle" tool. During winter break, a great book can keep their reading skills sharp. We have plenty of books to lend in our classroom libraries. They can also login to <https://lexiapowerup.com> for additional practice in reading. Again, we wish you an enjoyable holiday season!

Donations

Here's a fabulous list of goodies we need all year round! If you can spare any of these delightful items, we'd be over the moon! Thanks a million!

- Kleenex
- Baby Wipes
- Ziploc Bags

Hand Sanitizer
Bottled Water
Lysol Wipes

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-7:25am in the cafeteria.

7:25-8:00am Breakfast Grab a Bag

Lunch

11:00am-12:45pm in the cafeteria



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We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the Mesa Police Department for generously providing a Thanksgiving dinner. Thank you!



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thank
you!



Alice in Wonderland Jr.

FREE ADMISSION

Tuesday, February 25th

6:00pm

At Mesa Arts Center



Winter Performances

Snowtastic
Grades Kinder-5th
December 10th

6:00pm In the Wood Gym
Students are required to return to campus by 5:15 PM and are not permitted to remain after school unless they are participating in the afterschool Boys & Girls Club. Participation in this performance is mandatory, as each student plays a vital role in the show. Information regarding performance attire was sent out this week.

"Arts in Winterland"

Grades 6th-8th
December 11th

5:30-6:30
Outside
&
Big Gym

Thank you MAAPO for hosting
Reading Under the Stars!



Maricela Alcala
President



Lindsay Vanegas
Vice President



Vanessa Vanegas
Treasurer



Annette Magdaleno
Secretary

Save the date
MAAPO Meeting
Thursday, January 30th
at 5:30 Room 4

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.



Coffee Break

You are invited to join us for
coffee with the Principal.

Date: December 3, 2024

Time: 7:30 a.m.-8:00 a.m.



Thank you to everyone who attended
"Reading Under the Stars!"



THANK YOU



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the moon through her telescope.

December Breakfast Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Cinnamon Toast Crunch Cereal Pear 100% Juice Milk	3 Donuts Orange 100% Juice Milk	4 Strawberry Bagel Apple 100% Juice Milk	5 Cinnamon Toast Pastry Tangerine 100% Juice Milk	6 Pop-Tart Fresh Fruit Variety 100% Juice Milk
9 Oatmeal Round Pear 100% Juice Milk	10 Muffin Orange 100% Juice Milk	11 Mini Cinni Apple 100% Juice Milk	12 Yogurt & Graham Cracker Tangerine 100% Juice Milk	13 Cereal Bar Fresh Fruit Variety 100% Juice Milk
16 Lucky Charms Pear 100% Juice Milk	17 Oatmeal Round Orange 100% Juice Milk	18 Muffin Apple 100% Juice Milk	19 Yogurt & Graham Cracker Tangerine 100% Juice Milk	
Winter Break December 20th - January 6th				



Choice of Milk: Milk is given at every meal. Offer two varieties in fat content and/or flavor. Fat-free flavored, fat-free plain, 1% plain.
Menu is subject to change due to supply chain issues.



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Menus now available online and on your phone!

Menus estan disponibles en linea y su telefono

Scan the code
Escanee el codigo

or

Website/sitio web:
myschoolmenus.com

Enter/Entre:
AZ Kidz Mealz

Select your school
Seleccione su escuela

December Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Cheesy Breadsticks Marinara Baby Carrots Orange Milk	3 Chicken Tenders Potato Wedges Pear Milk	4 Bean & Cheese Nachos Salsa Baby Carrots Tangerine Milk	5 Pizza Celery Apple Milk	6 Orange Chicken Brown Rice Broccoli Fruit Variety Milk
9 Bean & Cheese Burrito Baby Carrots Salsa Orange Milk	10 Chicken Nuggets Potato Wedges Pear Milk	11 Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Tangerine Milk	12 Pizza Celery Hummus Apple Milk	13 Quesadilla Baby Carrots Salsa Fruit Variety Milk
16 Bean & Cheese Nachos Salsa Baby Carrots Orange Milk	17 Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Pear Milk	18 Teriyaki Chicken Rice Broccoli Tangerine Milk	19 Pizza Celery Apple Milk	20 Beef Burrito Baby Carrots Salsa Fruit Variety Milk
Winter Break December 20th - January 6th				

Happy
HOLIDAYS

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