

#### Mountain Lion Pride

Mesa Verde Elementary School

"Be Your Best!"



Mesa Verde Elementary School is a community dedicated to building a strong foundation for each child to reach their full potential.

#### December 7, 2016 Edition

#### **Upcoming Events**

December 8th, Thursday

Winter Music Concert, 6:00pm

December 12th, Monday

School Spelling Bee, 1:15pm

December 19-22

Spirit Week!! (See details below)

December 21st, Wednesday

Family Sing-a-long, 6:00pm

**December 22<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday** 

Last day of school before break

**December 23-January 8** 

Winter Break - No School

**January 16th** 

NO SCHOOL

January 19th

District Spelling Bee @ CDO

January 19th

PTO Meeting, 6:00pm

January 26th

100<sup>th</sup> day of School and Science DAY! You don't want to miss this day!

January 26th

Science Night Extravaganza, 5:30pm

February 6th

Library Night with Mr. Nelson, our Superintendent

# It's that time of year!

Greetings Mesa Verde Family,

Thank you to all our Mesa Verde Families for your continued support and kindness. As we approach the end of 2016, don't forget to make your 2016 Tax Credit donation before Dec. 31st. You can give up to \$400 (if filing jointly/\$200 single) to the school as a TAX CREDIT. Any amount is greatly appreciated. The donation money is designated towards different activities. An undesignated donation allows the school to use it for all the different activities. Tax Credit donations go towards buses for field trips, music programs, the arts, OM, REACH, extra PE activities, grade level musicals, and so much more. This past school year approximately \$5000 was used to pay for bus transportation for student field trips. Students would not be able to experience these amazing field trips without your support. We appreciate your donations in any amount. After making a donation you receive a receipt to file with your taxes. You can make your donation online through our website <a href="http://www.amphi.com/district/amphi-">http://www.amphi.com/district/amphi-</a> community/tax-credit-info.aspx or at the School Office. Thank you, Carol Tracy, Principal

# Mesa Verde Adopt-a-Family

We are collecting items for our families through Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Please send in all donations, unwrapped, to your child's classroom. They will be sorted and delivered to the families on December 19th. Thank you for your help! Wish lists for the families are on our website or the links below.

http://www.amphi.com/MesaVerde



Family #1 adopted by Mrs. Wells', Mrs. Edmiston's, 5th grade



Family #2 adopted by Mrs. Thacker's, Ms. Olszewski's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade



Family #3 adopted by Mrs. Villaseñor's, Mrs. McConnell's and 4th grade



Family #4 adopted by 3rd grade

Family #6 adopted by Mrs. Morabito's and Kindergarten

## **Keep in Touch!**



Great things happening at Mesa Verde!! Check out our Facebook!

https://www.facebook.com/me saverdetucson/

#### Links

Mesa Verde Webpage
Lunch Menu
District Calendar
Parent Portal
EZSchoolPay.com - School Lunch

#### **Contact Information**

Is your child home sick? Call us! 696-6090

#### **Lunch Info**

See the Lunch Menu @

http://www.amphi.com/site/Defa ult.aspx?PageID=1233

Add money to your child's account OR check the balance @

EZSchoolPay.com - School Lunch

You can even set up free reminders to notify you when the account is low.

#### **PTO**

#### **Next Meeting**

Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm

#### **YEARBOOKS!**



2016-17 Yearbooks are for sale in the office.
The cost is \$20 per book.

After February 1st the

price will go up to \$25. Order forms will be available in the office.

# **Ornaments and Dog Treats**

Mesa Verde Paw Ornaments will be for sale starting Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. A special presale event will take place on Thursday night at our music concert. Ornaments are \$5 and help raise money for 2 or 3 zoo animals that we will be adopting as a school. Dog Treats will also be for sale beginning Tuesday.

# Christmas Lunch @ School RSVP TODAY!!! See the form below!



You are invited to join us for our Christmas Meal December 14<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Price is \$6.00 per adult.

You DO NOT need to SEND MONEY. You will be asked to pay when you get your food.

Parents, Grandparents, and any family member or family friends are invited to join us for lunch during your child's scheduled lunch time.

# Family Sing-a-long



#### Mark your calendars for December 21st!

Sounds from 6:00-7:30. We will have crafts to make, games to play, cookies and hot chocolate, and

we will all join together to sing our favorite holiday songs. We hope you can make it.

# Ben's Bells Student of the Week!



Mesa Verde recognizes Kind
Kids on our Kind Campus.
Students are nominated by
their peers. Each week we
recognize one student who has
been exceptionally kind. This sweet
5th grader is our Ben's Bells Student of the
Week. The student that nominated her said,

"when our class is in the library, she is always helpful and encourages others to try new books. She is interested in what others like and never judges their choices."

# **ACHIEVE - Clubs and Tutoring**

ACHIEVE questions? Visit the Mesa

Verde website OR call
the office.

After 3:30pm call our
ACHIEVE line @ 520-3426819

# Open Enrollment for 2017-18

We are accepting open enrollments for 2017-18 students! The form can be found on the website or in the office. If you know of any future kinder or 1<sup>st</sup> graders please send them over to start registration.

http://www.amphi.com/site/Defaul t.aspx?PageID=1221

#### **Tax Credits**

We are accepting 2016 Tax Credit donations of up to \$200 (\$400 for married couples filing a joint return). Anyone living in the state of Arizona can make a Tax Credit donation. Checks can also be dropped off or mailed to us at 1661 W. Sage St. Tucson, AZ 85704.

To learn more or to make tax credit donations online visit:

http://www.amphi.com/Domain/358

Thank you for your support!

#### Support Mesa Verde



Bringing in your box tops! Each one is worth 10 cents for our school.



Amazon will donate .5% of your purchase to our school! Shop at: https://smile.amazon.com/ **Mesa** 

**Verde Parent Teacher Organization** 

# Spirit Week – Dec. 19-22

Monday - Crazy Sock Day
Tuesday - Twin Day
Wednesday - Christmas/Ugly Sweater Day
Thursday - PJ Day

## **Student Council News**

Holiday Grams will be for sale starting next week. They are 50 cents and we be delivered to students the last week of school.

## **PAWS Students of the Week!**

Congratulations to the following students who are being recognized by their teachers for being model PAWS Students. These students are practicing kindness, acting responsible, working cooperatively, and staying safe. With the busy week last week, we did not get to recognize these students at school. They were recognized today.

Tanar Hawking-Mrs. Stephenson Rosalie Barron-Mrs. McConnell Marlena Ammon-Ms. O Presten McQuown-Mrs. Thacker Claire Delgado-Mrs. Habinek Jocelyn Salterberg-Mrs. Martin Jessica Guillaume-Mrs. Inglett Maggie Comer-Mrs. Villasenor

Aria Paulsen-Mrs. Martinez Sophie Linn-Mrs. Edmiston Oliver Whiting-Mrs. Morabito Chloe Delgado-Mrs. Hernandez Anissa El-Ali-Mrs. Berdine Riley Schleicher-Mrs. Farnall Ximena Galarza-Mrs. Perez Mariah Serna-Mrs. Lopez



#### **ACHIEVE**

To contact ACHIEVE after 3:30pm, call 342-6819

There are NO ACHIEVE classes the week of before winter break. Morning computer lab will be closed Dec. 19-22. ALL music classes tutoring and clubs are canceled during this week.



Mesa Verde can earn money each time you shop at Fry's! Each school year you must re-enroll your card. Here are the steps to do re-enroll Go to

#### www.FrysCommunityRewards.com

- 1. Click on 'Sign-In'.
- 2. Enter your email and password, click on 'sign in'.
- 3. Click on your name (top right hand corner), under 'Account Summary' scroll down to "Community Rewards".
- Click on 'Edit' under Community Rewards.
- 5. Under Find Your Organization: Enter Mesa Verde PTO
- Under 'Select Your
   Organization', click on the
   circle next to your organization.
- 7. Click on 'Enroll'

#### **PTO News**

#### We NEED YOU!!!

PTO is looking for parents to be on the PTO board as Vice President and Treasurer. Our current board members are in their last year as Mesa Verde Parents. We are also looking for a few parents to head up the Carnival next year.

Without parents volunteering or a group of parents we are not able to have great events like this. Please consider being a part of the PTO so we can continue the great traditions and community events at Mesa Verde. You can contact the PTO or Ms. Tracy for information.

Next PTO Meeting - Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm

#### **Yearbooks**

# Order Your Mesa Verde Elementary Yearbook Online

Just follow the steps below:



Step 2: Enter your pay code 81997 and click next

Step 3: Buy a yearbook for: \$20 before Feb.1st \$25 after this date

Order online through March 20th 2017



If you have any questions about ordering your yearbook contact your school's yearbook advisor.

Debbie Doe at Ddoe@amphi.com



# We Just Can't Hide Our Mesa Verde Pride

Mesa Verde Elementary School 1661 W Sage St. Tucson, AZ 85704 520.696-6090 Carol Tracy, Principal

#### **Tax Credit Donation Information**

Online form can be filled out and then printed.

 $\underline{http://www.amphi.com/cms/lib010/AZ01901095/Centricity/Domain/358/tax\%20credit\%20form\%20online.pd \underline{f}$ 

Online Donation: <a href="https://taxcredit.amphi.com/taxcreditdonation/">https://taxcredit.amphi.com/taxcreditdonation/</a>

Form to print and fill out by hand:

Arizona School Tax Credit Donation Form
Yes! I'd like to donate to the Amphitheater Unified School District and receive an Arizona State Tax Credit of up to \$200 (\$400 for married couples filing a joint return).
Name:
Address:
(City) (State) (ZIP)
Phone: Social Security No. (Optional):
Donation Amount: \$ Date of Donation:
Please choose one of the following:
Please direct my donation to  OR
Please direct my donation to the schools with the greatest need.
2. (Optional) I'd like my contribution to benefit all children participating in:
Athletics (specify):
☐ Music/Fine Arts
Other (specify*):  * Use this space if you would like your contribution to support a more specific activity, for example, chorus, band, library club, science clubs, debate club, field trips, etc. Please feel free to call us to see if a particular activity qualifies.
3. (Optional) Use my enclosed fee to cover the following child's participation in the specified activity:
Student's Name:
Activity:
(Please contact us to ensure your activity qualifies.)
Make your check or money order payable to either:  The Amphitheater School of your choice (i.e. Nash, Copper Creek, Rio Vista, Amphitheater Middle School)  OR
Amphitheater Public Schools
Mail your check or money order to:  • The school's address
OR  • Amphitheater District Offices 701 W. Wetmore Road Tucson, AZ 85705

You may also drop your donation off in person.

Please check with your tax advisor for answers to specific tax-related questions.

Print Form



## You are invited to join us for our

# ~ Holiday Lunch ~ Wednesday, December 14, 2016

Turkey with gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Vegetable and Fruit, Sweetened Yams, Cranberry Sauce, Roll with Butter and Something Sweet! Beverage Included

5	DO NOT SEND MONEY. You d. \$5.00 per meal at time of purcha	
Yes, I'd love to have lunch! Child's Name	 	ch.

# STUFF THE AMPHI BUS

December 7 - Amphi High School, 3-7 p.m.

December 8 - Ironwood Ridge High School, 3-7 p.m.

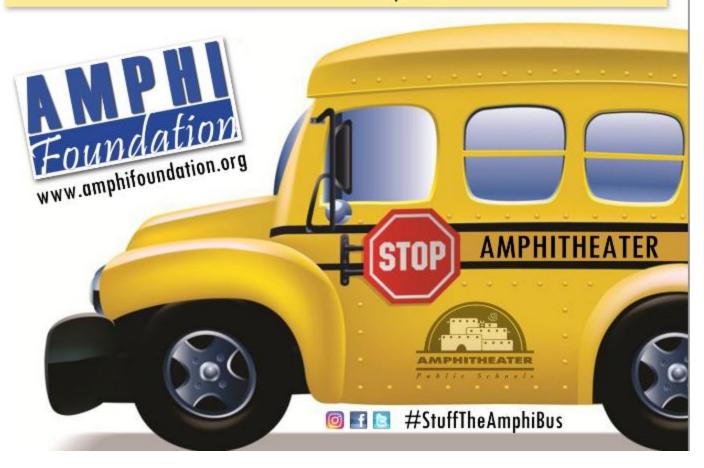
December 9 - CDO High School, 3-7 p.m.

Dec. 10-11 & 17-18 - Oro Valley Marketplace, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

# Items Needed

- New Toys
- Non-Perishable Foods
- New & Gently Used Youth Clothing
- Bikes
- Hygiene Items
- Gift Cards/Monetary Donations

All donations will be distributed to Amphi families in need.



- Cleaning out your closets in preparation for the holidays and the change of season?
- Have your kids grown and their clothes need a new home?
- If they're not wearing it, we know someone who will!





The Amphi Foundation's Clothing Bank needs your donations of gently used clothing. Last school year we served almost 300 students and so far this year we have distributed over 10,000 items of clothing to Amphi students in need!

Bring your clothing donations to your school's office and let them know it's for the Clothing Bank—our volunteers will come pick up!

This is a wonderful opportunity for Amphi students to help other Amphi students succeed.

Questions? Contact the Amphi Foundation at amphifnd@amphi.com or 520.696.5147