

# Nelson's News

Coronado K-8 School, An "Excelling" School  
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Elementary 7:55 Middle School 8:20

**Student Pick-Up Issues** – Monday, a Pima County Sheriff's Deputy arrived at school shortly before elementary dismissal and announced that he'd been instructed to begin issuing tickets to parents who were parked within the School Zone. This primarily impacts parents waiting in their cars to turn into the east loop to pick up their children. What is apparently against the law is "parking" (which even includes waiting in your car to enter the loop) in the School Zone east of the driveway waiting to enter the loop. The County Transportation Department was concerned about this and apparently called the Sheriff. What I think will work is if parents wait on Wilds, east of the School Zone signs before entering the east loop. I will ask our crossing guard to watch for open spaces in the loop and to signal to parents waiting in their cars on Wilds Rd. east of the School Zone when it's clear for them to enter the loop to pick-up their children. Please be sure to wait outside the School Zone to avoid a ticket. Watch the posted signs!

**Bus News** – We have received news that Coronado will be receiving several of the new buses purchased recently by the district as a result of the bond override. These wonderful new buses are air-conditioned, have improved seating, and seat belts. We've reminded our students to help take good care of our buses! Your child may have come home discussing the new buses. We have some bus number changes associated with the new buses: bus 5 is now bus 179, bus 21 is now bus 181, bus 29 is now bus 178, bus 26C is now 185, bus 45 is now bus 186, and bus 30 is now bus 188.

**Report Cards** – By now, you should have received your computer generated report card if you have a child in grades 4-8. Many of the "glitches" were taken care of prior to the printing (hence, the delay in printing and sending them home). However, we have discovered that the grade point averages were miscalculated on some report cards. We have notified the IT department and they are working on a solution. Our school was among many that faced this problem. As soon as it is rectified, I will let you know.

**Book Fair** – Thanks to everyone who participated or attended our book fair, sponsored by PTO. It was a great success! Our library will benefit from the additional money available to purchase books this year. The Silent Auction, put on by the teachers, also was a big success. The money generated from that will go to the purchase of additional Accelerated Reader tests available for our students to use.

**Middle School Spirit Shirts** – The middle school student council is selling "spirit shirts" for \$5 each. Twice a month, middle schoolers will be invited to wear their shirts. Those wearing shirts will be eligible for prizes.

**Snack Pack Program** – We have partnered with the United Methodist Church across Oracle Rd. from our school to participate in a new program. We realize that the economic situation has been very hard on many of our families and that sometimes even having adequate food at home is a problem. What the Snack Pack Program does is provide weekend food for students whose families may not have sufficient resources to provide meals on the weekend. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please call Jill Linder, our Family Advocate, at 696-6621. All calls will be confidential. This program is designed to help by providing weekend food for children.

