February 2017

Dear Mountain Lions,

Teaching and learning are in full swing at Mountain View. Just one of the professional development initiatives we have been engaged in is writing. Our teachers and students have been working hard to increase the amount and quality of writing. We know that in high school and college the writing demands are increasing and we want our students to be well prepared.

How can you help? Making sure your student is here every day and on time is the first step. Writing can be difficult for some students, and when they are not here, they fall behind and it is difficult for them to make up. The next step is to read over your student’s writing at home. Hold them accountable for proper spelling and punctuation even in the areas of science and social studies. Third, you can ask them to write a story at home. Other ideas include: increasing the amount of reading at home, encouraging your child to journal, and promote authentic writing opportunities like thank you notes, party invitations, and grocery lists.

March is Literacy Month. We will be working to create fun and engaging activities that focus on both writing and reading throughout the content areas. As always we thank you for the countless hours you volunteer, working with your child at home, and all you do!

We look forward to seeing you during Conference Week, which is scheduled for February 13th through the 17th.

With Gratitude,

Mrs. Miller
Principal, M.Ed

Mrs. Wolford
Assistant Principal, M.Ed
PTA Corner
Thank you for supporting Mountain View’s PTA throughout the school year! Thank you for all of your support for the APEX Fun Run. The kids had a wonderful time!

In February, we have two events that you are welcome to attend:

February 10th - Father/Child Celebrity Dance, 6-8 p.m. in the Gymnasium

February 27th - McTeacher Night at the McDonalds at Bell Road and the 303, 5-7 p.m.
Email us at mountainviewschoolpta@gmail.com

Spring Picture Day
Did you miss Picture Day in September? Are you new to our school? Or would you simply like to take a new set of portraits? Spring Picture Day will be held on Friday, February 24th. Look for more information to be sent home later this month!

Silver Apple Award
Congratulations to Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Roxanne Lopez, who was selected as one of eight Arizona teachers to be awarded 3TV’s Silver Apple Award! She was surprised by the Arizona Dairy Council and Javier Soto of 3TV on Tuesday, January 31st. Mrs. Lopez was given an award of $500, in recognition of her teaching excellence.

Basketball Season
Come and support the Middle School Boys’ and Girls’ Basketball teams this season! Their schedules are as follows:

Girls:
February 1 at Dysart Elementary, 5:30 p.m.
February 6 at Dysart Elementary, 5:30 p.m.
February 8 at Dysart Elementary, 4:30 p.m.
February 13 at Kingswood Elementary, 5:30 p.m.
February 15 at Dysart Elementary, 4:30 p.m.
February 22 at Western Peaks, 4:30 p.m.

Boys:
February 2 at Dysart Elementary, 5:30 p.m.
February 7 at Dysart Elementary, 5:30 p.m.
February 9 at Dysart Elementary, 4:30 p.m.
February 14 at Kingswood Elementary, 5:30 p.m.
February 16 at Dysart Elementary, 4:30 p.m.
February 23 at Western Peaks, 4:30 p.m.

MVS Yearbooks
Reserve your copy of the 2016-2017 yearbook today for $25.00 each! Personalization is available for only $3. You can order online at http://yearbooks.pixami.com/MountainView/home3/Bookstore.jsp

Parent-Teacher Conferences
Parent-teacher conferences will be held the week of February 13th-17th. Please watch for more information from your child’s teacher(s). Remember to have your license or other picture I.D.

McTeacher Night
Mountain View School is excited to announce the annual McTeacher Night on Monday February 27th. Join us at McDonalds on the corner of Bell and the 303 from 5-7pm. 15% of all sales come back to the school and the school that raises the most money gets an additional $1000! The school that comes in 2nd place gets additional $500 & 3rd place gets additional $250. Come support our school while having our teachers serve you! We hope to see you there!