

# Mountain Lion News

April - 2024

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Do you know a child turning 5 by September 1st, 2024, who will be attending Manzanita in the Fall?

Our KICKOFF TO KINDER is

Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 Pizza Dinner
Attending parents will receive a FREE KIT containing age-appropriate learning materials to use at home.

Parent Session begins promptly at 6:00 p.m. with registration following.

New Kindergarten Students only NO DAYCARE PROVIDED



Bring Immunization records, birth certificate and proof of address.

# April's Character Trait Focus Is Honesty and Integrity!

As you are Spring-Cleaning, please
Consider donating to
Our Clothing Closet. Needs are gently
used or new clothing
Girls pants – 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 10
Boys pants – 5 & 6
Girls SHOES – 7, 7.5, 8, 2, 2.5 & 3
Boys SHOES – 8, 8.5, 6 & 7

## UPCOMING EVENTS

APPIL 4<sup>TH</sup> - Grades 3-5 Tuck Everlasting - Grac APPIL 10 - Bug Guy/Life Skills & 1<sup>ST</sup> Grade APPIL 10&11/4:15-7:15 - Papent Teacher Conf. APPIL 12/7:00am-11;00am - Papent Teacher Conf. BOOKFAIR HAPPENING DURING CONFERENCES APPIL 25 - KICK-OFF TO KINDERGATTEN - 5:30

May 2 - Dino Adventure - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade May 6-9 Teacher Appreciation Week! May 22 - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to Wildlife Safari May 23 - PTA Carnival Night

# a note from our principal.... Dear Manzanita Families,

Can you believe it? April is already upon us! Our lost and found rack is proof that Oregon cannot decide what weather we will get. I personally love sunny days.

This vibrant season brings a flurry of activities, academic growth, and exciting adventures for our students. As we gear up to finish the school year strong, I want to emphasize the importance of attendance. Attending all four days of school each week is crucial for your child's academic success. Missing days can create unnecessary challenges and stress. Let's work together to ensure our students are at school and on time every day.

Our dedicated staff and enthusiastic students are diligently working to achieve their grade-level learning targets, both academically and socially. With your continued partnership, we are confident in reaching these goals. It's truly remarkable to witness the growth of our children!

Spring conferences are swiftly approaching on April 10th, 11th, and 12th. These conferences provide a valuable opportunity to connect with your child's teacher, discuss their progress, and set meaningful learning goals for the remainder of the year. Please ensure your ParentSquare information is up to date as teachers will be reaching out to schedule appointments. The book fair will also be held during that week.

As we dive into the exciting activities planned for this spring, I encourage you to review the school and classroom calendars and participate in as many events as possible. We greatly appreciate our volunteers who help make these events possible. If you plan to chaperone a field trip or volunteer in the classroom, please remember to submit your volunteer application to the office at least 7 working days prior to the date. Additionally, don't forget to sign in at the office and obtain your volunteer badge before heading to the classroom. Your cooperation ensures the safety of all Manzanita students.

While we're focused on finishing this school year strong, we're also looking ahead to the next academic year. Save the date for our Kickoff to Kindergarten Night on Thursday, April 25th, welcoming our incoming kindergarten students, the Class of 2037! Call the office for more information and to register your incoming kindergartener for this event.

I eagerly anticipate seeing you at the Spring parent-teacher conferences. Be sure and check lost and found, and the book fair while you are here! Your continued support makes Manzanita Elementary a wonderful place for our children to learn and grow.

Wishing you all a joyful and rejuvenating spring season.

Warm regards,

Renee Hults

Proud Principal of Manzanita Mountain Lion

Kindergarten through 5th grade School Days, are:

Monday - Thursday

First Bell rings at 7:15am

End of day Bell rings at 2:25pm

Students may be dropped off as early as 7:00am

There is NO supervision prior to 7:00am

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### Parenting A-B-C's

(Three Main Ideas to Have in Daily Dealing with your Child)

- Attention/Affection: Your child needs your whole attention for at least 10-15 minutes per day. If they don't get this in a positive way, they will get it in a negative way. They also need to know they are important to you. Affection is whatever makes your child feel loved or cared for, no matter what they do.
- Boundaries: A child needs to know their limits in the world; if these are not clear, it leads to anxiety, bids for control, and behaviors will continue until they've found where that boundary is (As adults, imagine this: no posted speed limit signs or stop lights, but being expected to obey the rules of the road.)
- <u>Consistency</u>: While we can't be perfect, try to be as consistent as you can in your rules, your routine, and how you discipline. If your child is not sure what to expect with you because it changes from one day to the next, unwanted behaviors will continue. You being stable helps them feel peaceful and safe.

#### THEY GROW UP SO FAST

If we're lucky we'll get:
12 Spring Breaks
13 First Days of School
12 Easter Baskets
10 Tooth Fairy Visits
1 First Date
1-2 Proms and
1-2 Chances to see them in a Cap and Gown

If this is not PERSPECTIVE, I don't know what is.



Book Fair April 8-12 Monday-Preview Day Guesday-Open during Student's Library time

Open during Wed/Thu Conferences 4:15-7:15 Friday Conferences 7:00-11:00am

Students may make purchases during their recess

Parents, you may put \$ into an e-wallet for your student.
Information is on the back of your child's wish list.

Read to Succeed!

