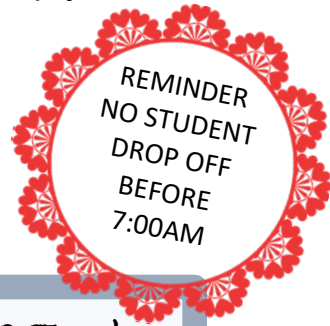




# Mountain Lion News

## April - 2025

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Office Hours: 7:00am-3:15pm ~ 541.479.6433



Do you know a child turning 5 by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, who will be attending Manzanita in the Fall?

Our KICKOFF TO KINDER is

Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m.

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 Traits Focus  
are 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

APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup> - PTA MEETING

APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> - GRADES 4-5 "OLIVER" - GPAC

APRIL 7 - PENNY WAR BEGINS!

APRIL 9-11 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

APRIL 10 - CHOIR PERFORMANCE/GYM

APRIL 9-11 - PARENT TEACHER CONF.

BOOKFAIR HAPPENING DURING CONFERENCES 7-11<sup>TH</sup>

APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> - LIFE SKILLS TO SCIENCE WORKS

MAY 29 - WILDLIFE SAFARI 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE



*A note from our principal...* Dear Manzanita Families,

It's hard to believe April is here already! This time of year is filled with incredible academic growth, exciting learning opportunities, and memorable experiences for our students. As we work toward finishing the school year strong, consistent attendance remains essential. Every school day matters—missing days can create academic challenges and added stress for your child. Please support their success by ensuring they attend school on time each day.

Our staff and students continue to work diligently toward mastering grade-level learning targets, both academically and socially. With your partnership, we can help every student reach their full potential. We look forward to discussing your child's progress and goals during our Spring Conferences on April 10th (3:00-8:00 PM) and April 11th (7:30 AM-12:30 PM). Conferences are a valuable opportunity to connect with teachers, celebrate growth, and set learning goals for the remainder of the year. Teachers will be reaching out to schedule conference times, so please make sure your Parent Square information is up to date. The Book Fair will also be open during conferences—be sure to stop by!

Spring is an exciting time for school events! Check your school and classroom calendars, and join us for the many activities ahead. Volunteers are always needed to make these events successful. If you plan to chaperone a field trip or volunteer in the classroom, please submit a volunteer application in the office at least seven working days in advance. Also, remember to sign in at the office and wear your volunteer badge before entering the classroom. Your support helps us maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all students.

Upcoming Family Events: Conferences & Book Fair: April 10th/11th. Science Night: May 7th, 5:00-8:00 PM. PTA School Carnival: May 22nd, 5:30-7:30 PM (Check calendar for more)

As we wrap up this school year, we are also preparing for the next! Thursday, May 15th marks our Kickoff to Kindergarten Night for our incoming 2025-26 kindergarten students, Class of 2038! Check our website or Parent Square for more details & to register your incoming kindergarten student.

Thank you for your ongoing support in making Manzanita Elementary a wonderful place to learn and grow. I look forward to seeing you at Spring Conferences!

Happy Spring!

*Renee Nults*

Principal, Manzanita Elementary

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*


**Visit our website @  
[mz.3riverssd.org](http://mz.3riverssd.org)**

## *Stay Grounded Using Your 5 Senses*


Relax Your Body, Take a Few Deep Breaths and Focus on the Following...

**5** Things You Can See 

**4** Things You Can Feel 

**3** Things You Can Hear 

**2** Things You Can Smell 

**1** Thing You Can Taste 

## 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.)
- **Consistency:** 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.



Here at Manzanita,  
Breakfast and Lunch  
Are FREE for ALL  
Students!

Breakfast Available 7:00-7:15



**Let's keep our Lost and  
Found from  
OVERFLOWING  
Parents, please check for  
Your child(rens) missing  
Items each day after school.**

## 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 7-11

**Monday-Preview Day**

**Tuesday-Open during**

**Student's Library time**

**Open during**

**Thu Conferences**

**3:00-8:00pm**

**Friday Conferences**

**7:30-12:30pm**

**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!**

