



Mountain Lion News

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Do you know a child turning 5 by September 1st, 2026, who will be attending Manzanita in the Fall?

Our KICKOFF TO KINDER is

Wednesday, APRIL 29th - 5:30 p.m. - PIZZA/R.S.V.P.

Parent Sessions begin promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Attending parents will receive a FREE KIT containing age-appropriate learning materials to use at home.

New
Kindergarten
students only
NO CHILDCARE



Bring
Immunization
records, birth
certificate and
proof of address



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AMAZING OBOB TEAM:
ELLA BAILEY, CHARLISE BALL, ZOE MYLES AND
ISABELLA ZINK!!

OUR CHAMPS ARE ON TO STATE!

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- APRIL 2 - Science Night - 5:30pm
- April 6-10 Scholastic Book Fair
- April 9 & 10 - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- April 13-22 - St. Jude Fundraiser
- April 20 - 5th grade to courthouse
- April 22 - Life skills to Science Works
- April 23 - CHOIR PERFORMANCE - 5:30
- April 29 - Kick-off to Kinder



MAY

- May 6 - PTA Meeting - 2:45
- May 7 - 1st Grade to Motion Matrix
- May 14 - PTA CARNIVAL - 5:30
- May 20 - 2nd grade Bus R Us presentation
- May 21 - Site Council - 2:45
- May 27 - Kinder to Public Library
- May 28 - H.S. Grad Walk

Principal's Page

Hello Manzanita Mountain Lion Families!

Spring is in the air, and so is the incredible energy buzzing through our school! With only about 8 weeks left until our last day on June 4th, this is truly one of the most exciting times of the school year. It is amazing to watch our students blossom — the growth and hard work they have put in is shining through every single day, and we couldn't be more proud of each and every one of them!

These final eight weeks are also some of the most important of the year. Our teachers are working hard to prepare every student for the next level, and there is still meaningful learning and growth happening in every classroom, every single day. We encourage families to keep the momentum going at home — celebrate your child's efforts, keep routines strong, and remind them that finishing strong matters. The work they do now is building the foundation for everything ahead!

There is so much to look forward to in these final weeks! Mark your calendars for Parent-Teacher Conferences on April 9th & 10th — a wonderful opportunity to connect with your child's teacher, celebrate their progress, and set the stage for a strong finish to the year. We'd love to see you at our Evening Choir Performance on April 23rd at 5:30 PM, and our School Carnival on the evening of May 14th — a night of fun for the whole family! We will also be celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week the week of May 4th, so stay tuned for ways to show our amazing teachers some well-deserved love. Please be sure to stay connected through ParentSquare — it is our go-to hub for all event updates, field trip notices, important reminders, and communication from your child's teacher. As always, don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher directly with any questions or celebrations. The office staff is here to help as well. 541-479-6433. We look forward to hearing from you. Together, let's make these final weeks unforgettable!

Warm regards,

Renee Nults

Proud Principal of Manzanita Mountain Lions



Did you know you can purchase a printed "Shout-out" to your child for the yearbook? Stop by the office to pick up a form, \$5.00 each
Deadline for submission is May 21st



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



REMINDERS...

Please be sure your student is wearing Safe Shoes for running and playing outside and for P.E.

Please write student's name in/on jackets, backpacks and lunchboxes.



Check the Lost & Found (Outside/In the cafeteria) for any missing items.

PTA Corner

Parents, if you attend a classroom event and have any pictures to submit for possible use in the yearbook, please email them to:

manzanita.yearbook.pta@gmail.com

Follow Our Instagram page @manzanita_elementary_pta

It's easy to join the PTA!
Pick up a form in the office or attend the next meeting.

Remember to sign up for Box Tops and Fred Meyer Community Rewards

Parents, thank you so much for calling your child's after school plan changes prior to 1:30. It's so helpful for us to have this information as early in the day as possible

Kindergarten through 5th grade School Days, are:

Monday - Thursday 7:15am-2:25pm

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

There is NO supervision prior to 7:00am

Mental Health Corner

Happy Spring everyone!

This is the time of year where the days get longer, and our energy levels get a little boost.

If you can find the time in your schedule, even 15-20 minutes while it's light out, consider taking some time outdoors.

While we don't all have forests on our doorsteps, we can at least get out into the fresh air for a little while.

Challenge yourself to do this at least 3 days a week and see how it impacts you!



mental health tip

benefits of getting outside









- improves mood
- reduces feelings of stress and anxiety
- helps you feel more relaxed
- improves physical health
- improves confidence and self-esteem
- relieves depression and anxiety
- inspires awe and gratitude
- counteracts the effects of too much screen time
- relieves symptoms of ADHD and mental fatigue
- builds resilience and confidence

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 50% LOWER RISK OF DIABETES	 INCREASED VITAMIN D PRODUCTION	 INCREASED WEIGHT LOSS & FITNESS	 REDUCED SYMPTOMS OF A.D.D.

★ 50% LOWER RISK OF HEART ATTACK ★ 30% LOWER RISK OF COLON CANCER ★

Manzanita Choir

Practice on Mondays at 2:30

Please be sure your child knows his/her transportation plan home.



SPRING
CONCERT
April 23rd