



# Mountain Lion News

## March 2023



### Parenting A-B-C's

(Three Main Ideas to Have in Daily Dealings 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 routines, 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.

**Lucky Kindness Clovers**  
A 4th Grade Fundraiser

4th grade is selling Lucky Clovers! We will be accepting orders March 6th-13th. All deliveries will be made Thursday March 16th! Clovers cost \$1.00 each for a chocolate coin and a message of kindness.

\*\*\*Send one to your parents, friends, teachers, assistants, cooks, custodians, librarians, teammates, or anyone you wish!\*\*\*

**Want to Order a Lucky clover?**

- ★ Fill out a clover and return it with \$1 no later than Monday March 13th.
- ★ Please write neatly to ensure your lucky clover is delivered to the right person.
- ★ Extra clovers are available in the office.

The Manzanita PTA Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of each month at 2:45 in the Library

SEE YOU THERE!

ORDER YOURS TODAY!



At Manzanita we are building character!

March's focus: Kindness/Compassion

April's focus: Perseverance/Grit



### Upcoming Events:

- March 4 – OBOB/Ft. Vannoy
- March 6-10 - *Classified Appreciation Week!*
- March 8 & 22 – Ice Cream Wed
- March 12 – Spring Forward
- March 14 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade/Burridge Field Trip
- March 15 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade/Catlett Field Trip
- March 15 – District Science Fair
- March 16 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade/Chamberlain Field Trip
- March 16 – Science Fair Open House/District Office
- March 17 - St.Patrick's Day
- March 22 – Ice Cream Wednesday
- March 27-31 – SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL



**SPRING BREAK!**

- April 5 – Ice Cream Wednesday
- April 10-14 – Book Fair
- April 19 – Ice Cream Wednesday
- May 1-5 – *Teacher Appreciation Week!*
- May 11 – Kick-off to Kindergarten



Missing a Coat? A lunchbox? Hat, or another item?

**PLEASE CHECK THE LOST/FOUND** We have Jewelry in the office!  
Located outside of our Cafeteria

**CAMPUS KIDS**  
AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT

Call 541-531-2406 for registration info





## A Note from Our Principal..... Dear Manzanita Families,

Can you believe March is here already? The end of February snow was a little surprising, yet beautiful. While I am still wishing for a little more late winter precipitation. I am anxiously awaiting the signs of spring, from the daffodils to the tree blossoms, they are a sign that our warmer days are just around the corner.

In February our art show was a huge success. We definitely have some artistic students and staff. A lot of fun was had by our families and students looking at the art on display and building some crafts! Thank you to the Manzanita PTA for all of your hard work in hosting the event, and supplying the delicious snacks. Our PTA is always accepting new volunteers if you would like to join this amazing group to support our school! Contact the office for more information on how you can get involved or attend the next PTA meeting on March 8th.

For the month of February our character trait of the month focused on fairness and cooperation, in March we will be adding the focus of Kindness and Compassion. Our monthly focus ties in with the overarching themes of Be Safe, Responsible, Respectful and Kind in all we do at Manzanita! We have just over 3 months of school remaining and this time of year seems to fly by! This is also an exciting time of year full of learning. I love watching our students' knowledge bloom as they move closer towards their next grade level. Quick reminder, If you have plans to volunteer in the classroom or attend an activity in the next three months please complete the online volunteer application on our district webpage.

Our third quarter ends on April 6th with parent teacher conferences after school on the evenings of April 12th & 13th, and the morning of Friday the 14th. We will be scheduling times to meet with parents for conferences regarding your students' progress.

I hope you and your family enjoy Spring Break beginning March 27th. This will be a great time to take a much needed break. Hopefully the weather will cooperate!

Thank you for all you do in helping Manzanita be a great place for kids. This is an amazing school with great students, talented staff, and supportive parents.

Please continue to reach out should you have any questions or concerns. On behalf of the entire Manzanita School team, we wish you and yours a healthy March and enjoyable and safe Spring Break.

Partners in Learning,  
Mrs. Hults



**Do you know a child turning 5 by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, who will be attending Manzanita in the Fall? Spread the word! Kick-off to Kinder for the 2023-2024 School year will be May 11.**



If you have a change to your child's after school plan, please contact the office prior to 1:30 @ 541/479-6433. Please be prepared to provide all details necessary.



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*  
**Office Hours Mon-Thu 7am-3:15pm**