



- 10 PTA Meets 2:00
- 12 Clerical Day—NO SCHOOL
- 18 Site Council Meets 2:10
- 24 Evening Conferences 3:00-7:00
- 25 Conferences 2:00-8:00pm.  
NO SCHOOL
- 26 Conferences 2:00-8:00pm.  
NO SCHOOL



# Manzanita Messages April 2019

## Creating a culture of achievement starting with creating a culture of showing up

As spring arrives the days get longer, schedules get busy, routines are changing and some kids have a hard time getting up in the morning. This can make getting to school on time a constant uphill battle. You can take steps to get your kids on track in the morning. Here are some tips to reduce tardies & absences:

- ⇒ Get your kids in bed early - Getting enough sleep is key.
- ⇒ Wake your kids up at least one hour before you need to leave, more if they take long showers or are slow in the morning. If you really want your kids to get out of bed, it helps if you are up and getting ready at the same time.
- ⇒ Keep a regular schedule during the week. Eat dinner at a specific time, have a set time for homework and a set period for TV, if you allow it.
- ⇒ Plan extra time for traffic or the drop off line.
- ⇒ Lay out clothes and book bags the night before. Use this opportunity to make sure homework is done and they haven't forgotten anything for field trips or projects.
- ⇒ Give your kids an alarm clock. Have your kids set their alarm clock to 15 minutes before you intend on going in their rooms.

## April Character Traits

### SELF-CONTROL

HOW BEAUTIFUL IT IS TO STAY SILENT WHEN SOMEONE EXPECTS YOU TO BE ENRAGED.

### COURAGE

**“Fear is a reaction. Courage is a decision.”**

Sir Winston Churchill

Moving on to the District Spelling Bee:

### SPELLING BEE DIVISION ONE

Russell Bailey

### SPELLING BEE

### PRIMARY DIVISION

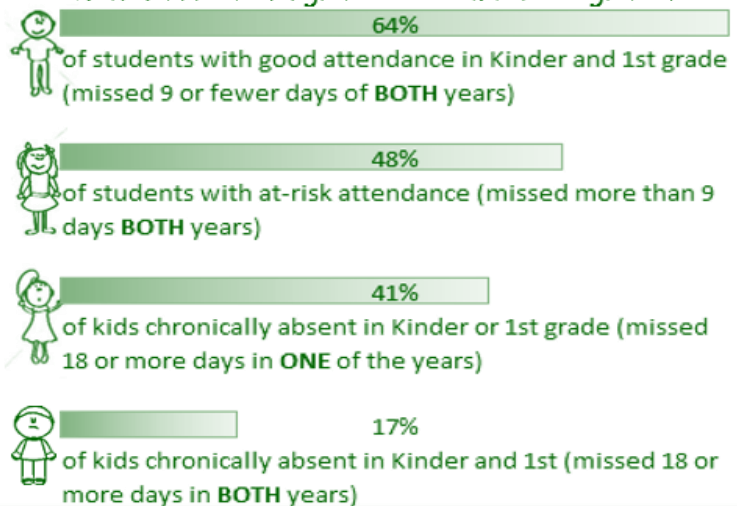
Ethan Valdez

### WHY IT MATTERS

If children don't show up for school regularly they miss out on fundamental reading and math skills and the chance to build a habit of good attendance that will carry them into college and careers.

Preliminary data from a California study found that children who were chronically absent in kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade were far less likely to read proficiently at the end of 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

#### Who can read on grade level after 3<sup>rd</sup> grade?



MLK DAY





# Technology Corner

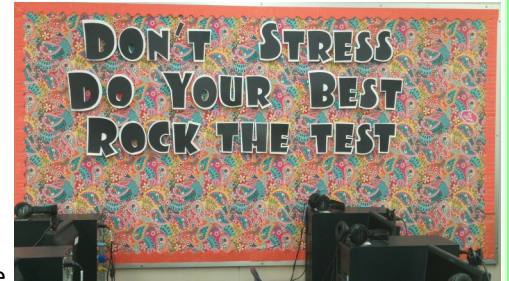
## LOST & FOUND

**DO YOUR PART!  
THE LOST AND FOUND  
NEEDS TO BE FOUND!!  
PLEASE CHECK FOR  
MISSING ITEMS!**

**LOST A COAT?**



Parents of 3rd-5th grade students: Over the next few weeks we will begin taking our Smarter Balanced testing in Language Arts and Math. In the computer lab we have been having fun in the practice/training test site, playing around with all the tools that are available within the program. Students are learning more valuable computer/word processing skills as we move forward. After spring break the testing season begins. 5th grade students will take an OAKS Science test, then we will begin our Smarter Balanced testing season. I've been teaching the "Let's just have fun with our test and DO OUR BEST" attitude. It reflects well on the kids for us to maintain a cool attitude and not share any anxiety we may be feeling. They're really ready to rock their tests!! Ensure your student gets enough sleep and eats a healthy breakfast. Avoid heavy foods that may make them feel groggy or high sugar foods that will make them "crash".



## LOOK!

One of the most valuable life skills a student can learn is taking the responsibility of arriving at school everyday on time. This skill can easily be accomplished and will transfer as a valuable asset for the future. One of the most important times of the school day is the morning.

This is the time when important school news is announced, teachers define the plans for the day, important social interactions with peers are established and instructional goals are reviewed and set. The whole tone of a child's school day is set in the first part of the day. Please help support your children in learning habits that will help them be successful school and throughout life.



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**Breakfast begins at 7:15 Monday-Thursday. There is NO supervision before 7:15**

**1 hour late start Fridays  
Bell rings at 8:35**



**Have you filled a bucket today?**



## Coming Soon MAY

- 2** 5th Grade to Lake Selmac
- 8** PTA Meeting 2:00
- 14** Davidson to Crater Lake All classes leave at 7:00 and return at approximately 4:30
- 15** Catlett to Crater Lake
- 16** Chamberlain to Crater Lake
- 16** Kick Off to Kindergarten 5:30-7:00
- 17** Manzanita School Carnival 5:00 pm
- 24** Furlough Day NO SCHOOL
- 27** Memorial Day NO SCHOOL



Based on the book "Have You Filled A Bucket Today?" by Carol McCloud. We all carry an invisible bucket that contains our feelings. When our bucket is full, we feel great. When our bucket is empty, we feel sad. A bucket filler is someone who says or does nice things for other people. By doing this, they are filling other people's buckets and filling their own bucket at the same time. On the other hand, a bucket dipper says or does things to cause other people to feel bad. A bucket dipper empties their bucket when they say and do mean things. We are leaning to be bucket fillers not dippers!