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Sweetwater School

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Principal's Message:

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all of you who sent a "Grand Person" to Sweetwater on our annual Grand Person's Day, whether it was yourself or another special person in your child's life. We had an amazing turn out and students were able to share their leadership and scholarship skills at school. It also gave you a glimpse into your child's daily schedule at school. It's a busy day from start to finish, reminding us that **students' daily, on time, attendance is extremely important!**

The holiday time gives us a fantastic opportunity to showcase a wide variety of leadership skills that our students possess. From drama to musical presentations, Sweetwater students demonstrate that they have talent. I want to remind you that these opportunities are all supported by **your tax credit donations**. Please make a contribution this year if possible. The money comes back to you, dollar for dollar, when you file your taxes. Tax credit money is also used to support our Leader in Me program in a variety of ways, from purchasing curriculum to running an after-school class. Your contribution would be greatly appreciated.

Hopefully you are noticing that Sweetwater is being given a fresh new coat of paint. What a difference it makes to arrive every morning to newly painted doors and walls! And because you voted to pass the WESD Bond issue on November 8, we will be getting some other items replaced over the next few years – not the least of which will be updated and new technology for our students – a win-win for everyone! Thank you for your vote and enjoy a Happy Holiday Season with your family. By the way, the next time you visit the school office, check out our **Family Mission Statement bulletin board**. Our families rock with leadership!

Sincerely,
Luanne Herman

Sweetwater Library Updates

A big thank you to everyone who came to our fall Scholastic Book Fair. It was a big success. A portion of all sales comes right back to the Sweetwater library so we can purchase much needed new books.

The Washington Education Foundation Barnes & Noble Book Fair is this weekend – Friday, December 2 through Sunday, December 4. It will be held at the Barnes & Noble Metrocenter location. This is a wonderful event filled with fun activities for everyone. A percentage of your Barnes & Noble purchase benefits the Washington Education Foundation which helps fund educator grants in the WESD. Hope to see you there.

The Chipotle reading program is underway. Your child should have brought home a reading log for the month of December. This program is designed to help promote reading, especially over winter break. Have your child color in the log for every day that he or she reads 10 – 20 minutes. When your child returns his or her reading log after winter break, he or she will receive a voucher for a free meal at Chipotle. Yummy!



Lastly, the library is in need of tissues, especially during these colder months. If you can donate a box, it would be greatly appreciated!

Nicole Gonzalez, library technician

Thank YOU Phoenix ZOO!

Mrs. Clipper and Mr. Westmoreland, on behalf of the entire 6th grade, would like to thank the Phoenix Zoo for generously offering a scholarship to cover their incredible overnight field trip. The students were welcomed by a very friendly staff and pizza dinner followed by leadership and getting to know each other activities. They completed a Desert Survival and Adaptation program late in to the night when they finally settled in to their tents for the night. In the morning, they awoke at 6:00 a.m. for more activities, breakfast, and a fun-filled day at the zoo thanks to a multitude of chaperones.

Tax Credit

Please return the attached Tax Credit form with your donation to the attention of Norma Sanner, Sweetwater School, 4602 W. Sweetwater, Glendale, AZ 85304.

Donations are also accepted in the front office at any time.

Lost and Found

Please check the lost and found before we leave for winter break. All unclaimed items will be donated on December 23.



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Governing Board: Aaron Jahneke, President • Clorinda Graziano, Vice President
Bill Adams, Member • Larry Herrera, Member • Tee Lambert, Member

Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

Sweetwater Calendar of Events

Early Release Wednesdays Dismissal Time – 1:00 p.m.

December

6	Santa Visits Sweetwater Yogurtini Night, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
8	Drama Production, 6:00 p.m. Governing Board Meeting
10	Teacher Interview Fair, District Office 8:30 a.m. to noon
15	Spelling Bee, Library, 9:00 a.m. Family Links, 6-8 th Grade, 5:00-6:00 p.m.
22	Winter Concert, 7/8 Grade Choir, Band & Strings, Cafeteria, 7:00 p.m.
23	No School for Students
26-Jan 6	Winter Break, No School

January

9	School Resumes
11	Report Cards go home
12	Governing Board Meeting
16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day No School
17	Parent Lighthouse Mtg., 5:30 p.m.
23	Site Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
24	Peter Piper Pizza Night
26	District Spelling Bee, Board Room Governing Board Meeting
28	Teacher Interview Fair District, 12:00 p.m.

February

6	Yogurtini Night, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
7	Parent/Teacher Conferences
8	Parent/Teacher Conferences Early Release
9	Evening Parent/Teacher Conferences Early Release Governing Board Meeting
10	Parent/Teacher Conferences Early Release
15	Great Skate, 5:30-8:00 p.m.
25	Teacher Interview Fair, District Office, starting at 12:00 p.m.
27	Site Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

March

2	Read Across America
7	Peter Piper Pizza Night, 4:00-8:00 p.m.
9	Governing Board Meeting
16	Spring Pictures
20-24	Spring Break-No School
27	Site Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

April

4	Yogurtini Night, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
5	Report Cards go home
16	Governing Board Meeting
20	Greenway Choir Festival
24	Site Council Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
28	Leadership Day

May

2	National Teacher Appreciation Day
4	Great Skate, 5:3-8:00 p.m.
5	Lamp of Learning Awards
10	National School Nurse Day
11	Governing Board Meeting
23	Last Day of School
25	Governing Board Meeting

Yogurtini Self-serve

Tuesday, December 6

6:00-9:00 p.m.

25% of all sales will go directly to
Sweetwater School



*Sweetwater Staff
wishes you and
your family a
Happy Holiday
Season.*

