



An Arizona A++ School of Excellence

ACACIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



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Acacia's Mission: The mission of Acacia Elementary, in partnering with parents and community, is to provide a safe, comfortable and cooperative environment ensuring that all students develop the knowledge, skills and character necessary to achieve their highest potential; and to become productive members of an ever-changing society.

October 24, 2016

Dear Acacia Parents and Students,

I hope you all had a wonderful fall break. Family time is so important for the growth of all children. It goes by so fast. The first quarter has come to a close and it has flown by. Conferences are already here. I would like to stress the importance of every parent meeting with his or her child's teacher for Parent/Teacher Conferences. Our goal for Acacia is to have 100% parent contact for these conferences. Even if your child is meeting grade-level expectations, we want to motivate him or her to continue to grow academically. Your partnership with Acacia is crucial in the success of all of our students. Your child's teacher can answer any questions you have. We are happy to be a part of your child's success!

We are excited about our Annual Trunk or Treat and are always looking for "trunk volunteers." Talk to your neighbors, family and friends to invite them to host a decorated trunk for the event. Contact the office to sign up or for more information. If you can't host a trunk, we'd love your participation at this fun event. Join us for trick or treating and dancing on Halloween night. PTA will be hosting concessions too. We always have fun events at school, so keep up to date on our Facebook, website or our bi-monthly newsletters.

Did you see the new sod on the intermediate playground? We would like to extend a giant THANK YOU to our local Lowes Home Improvement Store (2929 W. Thunderbird Rd.) for choosing Acacia for their "Neighborhood Heroes" project. This past Saturday and Sunday volunteers delivered and laid sod so that Acacia kids could have a brand new field to play soccer, football and other games as well as PE class! It looks AWESOME! In addition, they painted our swing sets a bright blue color, painted over 4-square lines, and even created Hopscotch areas. There are no words to describe how much they are appreciated!



Sincerely,
Christine Hollingsworth, Principal



Dates to Remember

October 25	4 th Grade Music Concert * Science Rocks * Cafeteria * 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 26, 27, 28	Early Dismissal * 1:45 p.m.
October 31	Trunk or Treat! * Parking Lot * 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
November 1	Cross Country Meet * Acacia Park * 4:00 p.m.
November 1	Boys Basketball Game @ Acacia * 4:00 p.m.
November 3	Student Council Meeting * 'til 4:15 p.m.
November 3 & 4	Choir Practice * 'til 4:30 p.m.
November 4	Garden Club * 'til 4:15 p.m.
November 4	Boys Basketball Game @ Acacia * 4:00 p.m.
November 7	Boys Basketball Game @ Lookout Mountain * 4:00 p.m.
November 8	Cross Country Meet * Acacia Park * 4:00 p.m.
November 8	Site Council Meeting * Library * 4:00 p.m.
November 9	Picture Retakes and Group/Club/Team Pictures
November 10	Boys Basketball Game @ Acacia * 4:00 p.m.
November 11	No School * Veterans Day

**Early Dismissal
Wednesday, Thursday
and Friday this week
1:45 p.m.**

Boo Grams

Student Council will be selling Boo Grams again this year. Starting today, they will be selling them during lunch and in the office. The last day to purchase Boo Grams is Friday, October 28. Boo Grams include a card and a treat and will be delivered Monday, October 31.

**Picture Retakes
Team/Club Pictures
Wed., November 9**



Thank you to everyone for a successful
Kiwanis COIN DRIVE!
Acacia receives 75% of the amount collected.



*Nominate your teacher for the Silver Apple Award
Teachers will be featured on 3TV and will receive special prizes. For more information;
www.azfamily.com/silverapple Nominations accepted through February 24, 2017*



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Please be courteous to our neighbors
Do not park in front of or block driveways.
Favor de ser corteses con nuestros vecinos
No se estacionen en frente o bloqueen los
caminos de entrada de vehículos.

Safety in the Morning

Please remember that students are not allowed on campus before 7:55 a.m. Staff members are not on duty until that time, and we cannot have children on campus unattended.

Trunk or Treat

Mon., October 31 * 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Candy, Dance Contest, Food & more!

Everyone is Welcome!



Cheer Squad

Acacia's Cheer Squad provides a great spirit boost for our basketball team. The squad will be cheering at all home games led by their coach, Ms. McLendon. Being a member of the cheer squad comes with a great deal of responsibility. There are requirements that every cheerleader needs to exhibit in order to remain on the squad:

- Maintain grades (no Ds or Fs). At Acacia we take a great deal of pride in the fact that we are students before athletes. Grade checks will be required weekly.
- Display exemplary sportsmanship to teammates and opposing teams.
- Display exemplary attendance both at practice and in school (poor attendance at practice and/or school may result in not cheering at games).
- Display a positive attitude to yourself and teammates.

Congratulations to the following students for their participation on the Acacia A++ Cheer Squad:

Ava D., Skylar D., Diamond J., Isabel R., Lily O., Mia C., Amber S., Kylee P., Peggy N., Sophia H., Damone B., Katy F., Miranda O., Sonia E., Beija E., Vanessa R., Jacylyn V. and Ayla N.

Kindness!

We promote and encourage kindness to our students, and we would like to encourage our parents to do the same thing. Please be courteous to each other, especially in the parking lot, and set a good example for our children. Thank you!

Did you know we have a Kindness and Compassion Club? Students in grades 3-6 had the opportunity to join the KC Club and help promote community service and spread kindness. They were a part of the Love Our Schools Day with business partners and faith-based partners on a Saturday at the beginning of the month. They also sponsor the "kindness benches" on the playgrounds. When they see a student sitting on the bench, they go over and ask them to play and join them. It's a great group. Thank you to our Club sponsors, Mrs. Weed and Ms. Michael for teaching such great values to our students.



Cross Country

The Cross Country team members have been working on their endurance for several weeks to get ready for their Cross Country meets! We have a lot of talented students this year!

Thank you to Coach Scott for working with the student athletes at the morning practices.

Cross Country Team: Hayli B., Gabriel S., Alejandro P., Brandon A., Angelina G., Arianna F., Jhony B., Isabella F., Gildardo F., Angel C., Bruno Z., Cassandra F., Jadiel P., Matthew C., Isaiah T., Angel C., Yamilet C., Connor B., Bella C., Addison C., Jonah C., Lily B., Arthur W., Amy B., Stella S., Alanah H., Belize M., David J., Delena J., Tabian B., Hunter P., Deron B., Kaden R., Cody C., Nathan C., Austin M., Kallen M., Lilly M., Delaynee B., Lex D., Trenton C., Nathan Estes., Hailie C., Nathaniel P., Addyson H., Eric P., Everett H., James L., Ginna B., Victoria B., Isabella P., Jocelyn G., Emery S., Louis R., Adrianna R., Channel Y., Jose H., James S., Marley B. and Thomas S.



Cross Country Meets Scheduled @ 4:00 p.m.

Nov. 1...Acacia Park

Nov. 8... Acacia Park

Nov. 15...Sunburst School

Nov. 22... Moon Mountain School

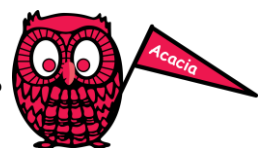


Veterans Day * November 11 * No School

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Have you joined us? Make sure it has "Norm".



Community Announcement:

Mollen Mile Kids Fun Run

Join 3TV and Dr. Art Mollen for the 41st annual event.

1 Mile Fun run for ages 3-12 at Cityscape on Sun., November 6 @ 9:30 a.m.

Register for only \$10 online at www.phoenix10k.com. All registered kids get a t-shirt and medal