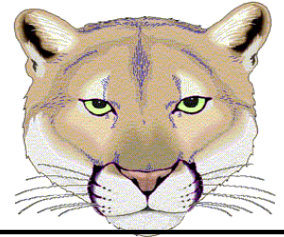


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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

Open House:

On behalf of Smoketree Elementary School we'd like to thank everyone who attended our open house! We enjoyed an ice cream social and our students read with their favorite Pet Partners. It was a great opportunity to meet new people and share ideas for the new school year.

Book Fair:

An incredible turnout led to a record-setting book fair this year! Your generosity helps support our library and provide the resources our students need.

Smoketree's Spotlight:

Tracy Culwell Smoketree's Site Based Council Representative

Tracy Culwell is one of our Community Representatives on Smoketree's Site Based Council.

Her contributions and valuable insights as a community member and parent are vital in the decision making process of reaching our school wide goals.

Not only is she making a difference in the elementary schools where she volunteers for Backpacks for Kids, Tracy is also vice president of the Booster Club at the High School.

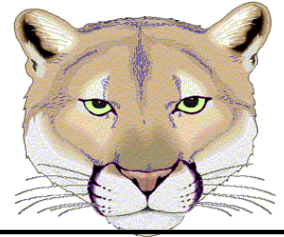
Her smile, enthusiasm and dedication for students and teachers reaches across the grade levels and schools. We're honored to have her as part of our team!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 928-505-6021 or email me at chogard@havas.k12.az.us

Your Partner in Education,

Connie Hogard, Principal

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PTSO in the News

The Smoketree PTSO is an organization dedicated to family-school interaction and achievement. The organization is solely run by volunteers, such as parents and teachers. The PTSO is in need of volunteers to assist in the Fall Fun Fair.

Fall Fun Fair Saturday, October 14, 2017

PTSO would like candy donations for the Fall Fun Fair. Please bring all donations to the office by Thursday, October 5, 2017.

Please contact Mrs. Fligg, PTSO President, at 505-6020 in order to volunteer your time and efforts.



CONFERENCES

Please mark your calendars for the Parent Teacher Conferences, the first week in October. All parents are required to attend a scheduled "report card" conference with your child's teacher, in order to receive your child's first report card. If you do not currently have a conference scheduled, please contact your child's teacher.

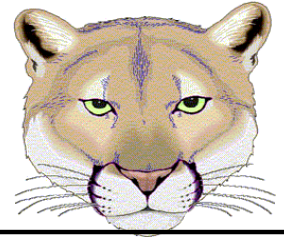
Our purpose is to help your child succeed.

This is an opportunity for a parent and teacher to discuss each student's performance in the classroom. This is also an excellent time to ask the teacher for specific suggestions on ways to help your child be a successful learner.

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Nurse's Corner

LICE

Every year, most elementary schools are confronted with head lice. Typically we see increases in cases of head lice during those periods following vacations or any time children begin to spend greater amounts of time in close proximity. Early identification of lice and prompt treatment can prevent the spread of lice to others. Early detection of head lice is imperative to controlling the spread and treatment of the condition. **It is very important for parents to check their child's head for lice on a regular basis. Screening at home helps to preserve the learning environment and our family's privacy.** Intense itching or scratching of the scalp are main indicators of head lice. The presence of lice can be confirmed by close visual inspection under bright light of the hair and scalp. A tongue depressor or other type of "stick" can be used to separate small section of the hair for examination. Nits are whitish or brownish and oval in shape. They are pinhead size and resemble dandruff. Unlike dandruff, they are sticky and not flakey. Lice are grayish bugs adhering to the hair shafts and 1/4 inch from the scalp. Additional policy information can be found on the district website.

Smoketree Families

The nurse/health office is in need of youth medium, youth large, adult small and adult medium school shirts.

If you have any gently used school shirts your child may have outgrown, we would greatly appreciate the donation.!



STUDENT COUNCIL

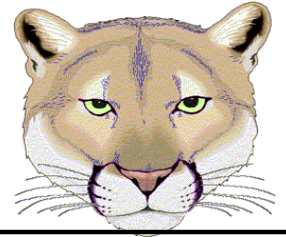
Student Council is an organization whose members are in the fifth and sixth grade. The representatives were chosen based on tasks that demonstrated good character, perseverance, and overall academic good standing. The members of the Student Council are Smoketree's positive role models who demonstrate leadership qualities for our students. These students must maintain a B average. The student council representatives for this year are: Daniela Martinez-Chacon (President), Allison Bartlebaugh, Savannah Baxter, Lauryn Castillo, Rachel Delgado, Sara Enamorado, Maya Harriss, Jorge Lerma, Jasmine Rizo, Maryssa Rodriguez, Kathryn Thomson, and Malia Toilolo.

Student Council will host their first spirit day of the school year on Tuesday, October 31st. This day will be Superhero Dress-Up Day. This will be an exciting opportunity for students to dress up as their favorite superhero. Students will not have to wear their standardized shirt that day, but student council would like to remind all students that the dress code found in the handbook must still be followed. We are looking forward to everyone showing school spirit by dressing up as their favorite superhero.

Student Council Advisors – Ms. Scavuzzo and Mrs. Zink

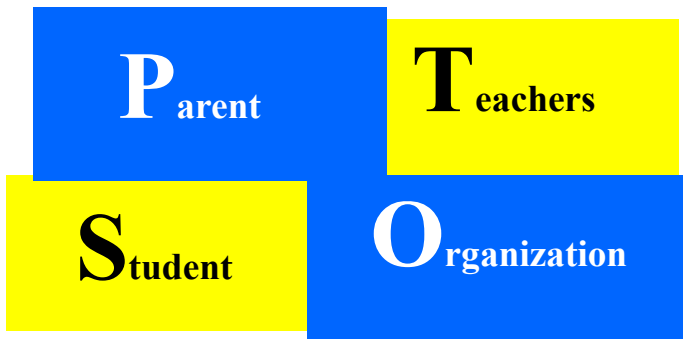


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Ways to help Smoketree!



P.T.S.O. is an organization dedicated to the success of each Smoketree student. All proceeds from activities will stay at Smoketree.

The school earns 10¢ per box top. All proceeds go directly to the library.



PTSO is asking parents for candy donations for the Fall Fun Fair. Please bring any candy donations to the front office.



The soda pull tabs are donated to the Ronald McDonald's House in Phoenix.



If you have any questions about the information provided, please call 928-505-6020

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<h2>Fall Break 10/9-10/13</h2>						
15	16	17 <i>Picture Retakes</i>	18	19 <i>Early Release</i> <div style="text-align: right;"></div>	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Early Release</i> <div style="text-align: right;"></div>	27	28
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Daily School Hours: 7:55-2:30

Thursday Early Release Dismissal: 1:00