

**MESA SCHOOL**  
**"CAT TALES"**

**Volume 17**

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**Purpose:** KIDS FIRST! Working with families to get the job done!

**Mission:** Growing Life-Long Learners, One Child at a Time

**Vision:** *ALL Mesa students will be reading and computing at or above grade level by the end of third grade and maintaining that level of proficiency throughout their school careers!*

**Please join us for our Fifth Annual Community Resource & Gallery Night Thursday, May 10th, from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** Many community organizations will be here to hand out information. Some of these are opportunities for activities being offered in the summer and others are services offered to families in the community. It is also our Gallery Night and students will have art work and class projects on display in their classroom.

Some of the community resources who will be here are:

Cortez Public Library  
Cortez Recreation Center  
Boy Scouts  
Pinon Project  
San Juan Bible Camp  
Junior Golf Program  
Anasazi Heritage Center  
Elise Schuster with Juice Plus  
Montezuma School to Farm Project  
Ute Mtn. Ute Tribe - SafeCare Colorado  
Four Corners Child Advocacy Center  
Mesa Verde Aquatics

**Dates to Remember**

- 5/4 ~ Kindergarten, 2nd, & 4th Grade Field Trips
- 5/10 ~ Community Resource and Gallery Night
- 5/14 ~ 5th Grade Field Trips
- 5/17 ~ K-3rd Grades Field Day
- 5/18 ~ 3rd Grade AR Reward Trip
- 5/18 ~ 4th & 5th Grade District Track Meet
- 5/21 ~ 4th & 5th Grade Track Awards
- 5/22 ~ 5th Grade Presidential Awards & Celebration
- 5/23 ~ Last Day of School ~ 11:00 Release

**K-3rd Grades Field Day ~ Thursday, May 17th**  
**K & 1st grades ~ 9:15-10:45**  
**2nd & 3rd grades ~ 1:00-2:30**

We will be having our Field Day for Kindergarten, First, Second, and Third graders on Thursday, May 17th. The field day will consist of several stations that the children rotate throughout on the playground and in the gym.

**Children should wear: sunscreen, hat, shorts, t-shirt and tennis shoes you don't mind getting wet.** You may choose to send an extra pair of shoes and clothes that they can change into after the field day games.

**\*\*TENNIS SHOES MUST BE WORN IN ORDER FOR CHILDREN TO PARTICIPATE.**

Ms. Domenichini, Movement Educator

**Congratulations 5th graders for graduating to 6th grade!** A lot of BIG changes are heading your way! Please remember that you will need your Tdap vaccine before starting your new adventures in middle school. Tell your family that they can make you an appointment at the Montezuma Cortez Health Dept (564-4776), Ute Mt. Ute Health Center (565-4441) or your own medical provider. Parents can call Jill Dunsten, RN at 565-7824 x3216 or Sue Ciccio, RN at 565-7313 for any questions.

**Please see the attachment from Mrs. Lori Haukeness, Superintendent about the retirement of Mrs. KD Umbarger and Mesa's new principal, Ms. Melissa Roberts.**

**A Note from Mrs. Umbarger** ~ I just wanted to take the opportunity to thank the staff, students, and families of Mesa School for all the support I've received the last eighteen years (nine as principal). I look forward to retirement and new adventures, but I will also miss this job. It came to my attention that I have been continuously in school since the age of five...either as a student, a teacher, or an administrator. It will be strange come August when I don't have to get up for school!!!! You will see me around as I continue to support the great work Mesa staff have been doing in increasing student achievement and the District in their initiatives. I will miss the most, but highly treasure, the relationships I have made over the years with all of you. I am grateful for ending my career here, where I have been very happy! Thanks for taking care of me.....

Please see the back of Cat Tales for more information about upcoming events and celebrations.

The last day of school is Wednesday, May 23rd, with an 11:00 a.m. release. Breakfast or lunch will not be served that day.

The Cafeteria Staff has worked hard to feed your children healthy, home cooked meals this year. The last day of school will be here soon. If your child has an outstanding balance, please get this taken care of by 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 22nd.

**Congratulations to Dylan Erickson for being the Mesa Arbor Day Poster Contest Winner!!**

**4th & 5th Grade Track Meet**

**Friday, May 18th at the CMS Track**

**8:50 a.m.— 2:00 p.m. (The mile run begins at 8:50.)**

**Everyone is invited to cheer on our Mesa Wildcats!**

**Students must be to school on time.** If they are not in their classrooms by 8:00 a.m., their events will be given to the alternates and they will remain at school to do work in another classroom.

We are also looking for "quick shade" canopies to use in the stands with the students and staff. If you have one that you are willing to lend for the track meet (or you will be attending the meet and will share with the staff and students), please contact Ms. Domenichini.

**End of Year Awards Schedule**

**Monday, May 21st**

**8:30 a.m.** ~ Track & Field Awards for 4th & 5th Grade

**Tuesday, May 22nd**

**1:00 p.m.** ~ Presidential Awards for 5th Grade followed by 5th Grade Celebration Activities

**Wednesday, May 23rd**

**8:15 a.m.** ~ Attendance Awards followed by Minute to Win It

**11:00 a.m.** ~ Dismissal

**All family members are welcome to attend!**

**The following students had perfect attendance for the month of April. Congratulations!!**

Stephanie Adams, Suhren Anguiano-Aragon, Tremaine Arnold, Juanique Bancroft, Mo'Nique Bancroft, Quannah Begay, Bobby Beletso, Elethan Beletso, Carlisea Benally, Alexander Bennetts, Asher Bennetts, Nathan Black, Dalt'Lynn Box, Natalie Brito, Evelyn Caciagli, Isabel Caciagli, Daniel Calderon, Leah Casey, Noalany Chadborn, Nuvia Chadborn, Jerek Conner, Damien Cordova-Beattie, Amita Crowley, Brady Dale, Loren Darlington, Alina Davis, Kinsley Decker, Andrew Duncan, Alexia Espinola, Sadria Fish, Gage Fitzgerald Fuchs, Brooklyn Forkner, Kingston Gallegos, Ruqayyah Gonzales, Ivy Gray, Jace Gray, Nathan Hackett, Alicia Hernandez, Jazlynn Jackett, Eli Kop, Joseph Lancaster, Kadence Laner, Kaiden Laner, Johnathan Livingston, Memphis Lone Bear, Daniel Marshall, David Marshall, Donald Marshall, Damian Martin, Morningstar McCook, Amber Medina, Cynthia Moffitt, Baylee Molzahn, Aaliyah Montoya, Briana Montoya, Matthew Montoya, Sarah Nelson, Rose Nez, William Parnell, Julia Paytiamo, Cade Phillips, Mona Ramirez Perez, Zurina Ramirez Perez, Kimberly Ramirez-Aquino, Carlitos Ramirez-Perez, Manuel Ramirez-Yanez, Alonso Rascon, Angelina Rodriguez Yanez, Cherly Rodriguez-Yanez, Brea Ruiz, Bryn Ruiz, Trey Ruiz, Lucas Shipman, Remington Sisneros, Kaleb Smith, Kyle Smith, Conner Speroni, Brooke Stafford, Connor Tamminga, Logan Tamminga, Elyse VanBuren, Gage VanBuren, Adae'a Watts, Liliene Watts, Reign Watts, Paige Wayman, Dakota Williams, Andrea Windy Boy, Nizhoni Windy Boy, Anderson Yanez-Orellana, Dayron Yanez-Orellana, Allyiah Yanito, LeKean Yazzie, Mattie Yoder, and Troy Yoder

**May 7th-11th is Teacher Appreciation Week!**

**You and your child might want to take some time to thank our wonderful staff!**

**Students ~ Wear Red for Public Ed on Tuesday, May 8th, as part of Teacher Appreciation Week.**