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ANLC NEWSLETTER

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News from Charles Grisier, Principal

Dear ANLC Families,

The month of February is African American History month and the month of Friendship and Love with Valentine’s Day right in the middle. Throughout the month you might hear about projects and home learning focused on historical impact of famous African Americans and building relationships/community through honoring and respecting our friends.

The budget will also be on people’s minds this month (and continuing in future months). Many of you are aware that the Arizona state budget has a deficit. There will be cuts to K-12 education, but we are not sure yet how much will need to be cut. I have spoken to teachers and parents about the possible impacts to ANLC of budget cut to ANLC. The budget cuts could affect resources; programs; administrative, classified, and teacher layoffs resulting in larger class sizes; and more.

The most up-to-date information can be found on the SUSD website. On the homepage you can find the powerpoint presented to the SUSD Governing Board (Governing Board tab) and there is information and mini-video of Dave Peterson presenting budget information. I encourage you to take a moment to become better informed. Do NOT feel powerless. There are things you can still do to help the situation; write your legislature, attend Scottsdale Parent Council Meetings, and get involved.

Dr. Catalani will be at ANLC on Monday, Feb. 22; 12-2 for office hours. He will be available for “drop-in” conversations. No scheduled appointments needed.

Regardless of the impact, ANLC staff and parent groups will work together to ensure a continuous enriched program for all our students.

Sincerely,

Charles Grisier, Principal
 480-484-7510

February

- 2 Focus Group, 6-7:30 p.m.
- 3-5 Early Release (Parent-Teacher Conferences), 12:15 p.m.
- 9 Bilingual Advisory @ Paiute Center, 6:00p.m.
- 10 School Tour, 8:30a.m.
Early Release 12:15 p.m. – Teacher Inservice
8th Grade Field Trip to Arcadia, 9-11:30 a.m.
- 11 Poetry in Motion Assembly, 8-10:15 a.m.
- 12 Exploration Friday, 8:20-10:40 a.m.
- 15 President’s Day – NO SCHOOL!
- 16 Health in the Park – 2nd Graders, 9:00-1:45 p.m.
PTO Meeting, 6-7 p.m.
- 17 Ice Castle Day, 7:45-8:15 a.m.
- 18 Not My Kid Presentation – Internet Safety, 7-8:30 p.m.
- 22 Dr. Catalina visits ANLC, 12-2 p.m.
- 24 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 26 Family Read, 7:50-8:20 a.m.

March

- 2 Think Tank Meeting (Site Council), 2:30-3:30 p.m.
- 3 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 8-12 Spring Break – NO SCHOOL!
- 16 PTO Meeting, 6-7 p.m.
Bilingual Advisory @ Paiute Center, 6-7 p.m.
- 17 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 19 Report Cards Issued
- 24 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 26 Family Read, 7:50-8:20 a.m.
- 31 Wednesday Wellness Walk



Battle of the Books has begun at ANLC! The four books being read are: **Ranger's Apprentice: Ruins of Gorlan** by John Flanagan, an adventure story taking place in medieval times and centering on a 15 year old boy who learns skills to protect the kingdom and must apply them at the same time; **The Hunger Games** (Young Adult) by Suzanne Collins, a futuristic story taking place in Panem (former United States) where annual Hunger Games occur to remind the populace of the Capitol's supremacy and a sixteen year old girl, Katniss, attempts to survive them; Jordan Sonnenblick's extremely funny **Drums, Girls & Dangerous Pie** focuses on a middle school student, Steven, as he and his family cope with his little brother's leukemia; and Sherri Smith's **Flygirl** (Young Adult) takes place during WWII and revolves around a Black eighteen year old girl, Ida Mae, who wants to fly planes for her country by joining the WASP's, but must pass for a white woman to do so.

To participate in the Battle of the Books students must be in fifth to eighth grade and be willing to read all four books. Fifth graders must bring in permission slips to read the Young Adult books. Our school competition will be held on April 8th, and our competition with Cocopah and Mohave will be held on April 20th at Mohave. We will hold practice sessions on the books prior to the competition.

In order to do this, we need parent volunteers to join us in reading the books and preparing questions on them. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Bonnie Kertman or Traci Wilbur in the library. **GO ANLC!!!!**



SPORTS SCHEDULE

February

- 11 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Ingleside, 4-6 p.m.
- 17 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Copper Ridge, 4-6 p.m.
- 18 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Cheyenne, 4-6 p.m.
- 22 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Supai, 4-6 p.m.
- 24 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Mohave, 4-6 p.m.
- 25 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Desert Canyon, 4-6 p.m.

March

- 1 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Cocopah, 4-6 p.m.
- 4 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Mountainside, 4-6 p.m.



Carpool!

If anyone is interested in carpooling, please send an email to friendsofANLC@cox.net.



The "Good Morning ANLC" crew is looking for your unused A/V equipment. If you have tripods, digital video cameras, digital cameras, or any other unused technology around the house, the ANLC A/V Crew would be happy to take your donations. These items will primarily be used to help with the production of ANLC's morning announcements.

Thank you for your support!

-- Mr. Eklund and the A/V Crew



MORE FUNDRAISING NEWS

Friends of ANLC is about to spend the money we raised through our last fundraising campaign on several improvements to our campus! Watch for welcoming artwork, new lighting and signs, and very inviting outdoor benches! Family Read will never mean sitting in the mud again!



Thank you for using the crosswalk to cross 62nd Street! It is making ANLC a much safer place!



Has any of your contact info changed? If so, please stop by the office and update your information as soon as possible. We need to ensure that we have the most up-to-date phone numbers and other contact info so that in case of emergency we can reach you and your child's other listed contacts immediately.



Are you getting our emails?

Friends of ANLC maintains a volunteer database and email list. If you're not getting our emails, we probably don't have your email address.

You can add, update, or verify your email address or other information, including your volunteer interests, online at www.friendsofanlc.ptomanager.com. On the right side of the webpage, there are 3 ways to access our database:

- If you know your password, sign in using your email and password;
- If you don't know your password but you're getting emails from us, enter your email address in the "forgot your password" space. Additional login instructions will then be sent to you;
- If you're new to ANLC or not yet on our email list, register through the "new user" link.

If you have questions or problems, please email us at friendsofANLC@cox.net or call *Diane Sanders, 602-826-2233*.