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## ANLC NEWSLETTER MARCH, 2010

### News from Charles Grisier, Principal

Dear ANLC Community,

We are ready for Spring Break!! Take the time to spend with your children during this week. Play a game, go for a hike, take a stroll along the greenway, or other activities that will allow your family to spend some quality time together. It does not take a lot of money to build family memories.

While students are gone, so are the teachers. The teachers will be relaxing and being rejuvenated to be able to do their best with your students during the last quarter. The past couple of months have been tough for our community. We are starting to hear more about the impending budget crisis and possible staff reductions for next year. The district has created a video discussing the budget situation. You can view the video from the SUSD website [www.susd.org](http://www.susd.org). I will continue to provide information as I receive it at PTO, Think Tank, and Family Read. I hope you stay informed.

As a reminder, March 15, 2010 is our first day back from break. Four weeks later we start state testing (Stanford for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, AIMS for 3-8 grades) on April 12. The testing window will be during the weeks April 12-23. Please be sure your child(ren) are here everyday and on time. Testing will start at 8:00 a.m. and we want the children to have time to get settled before testing begins.

Have a great break,

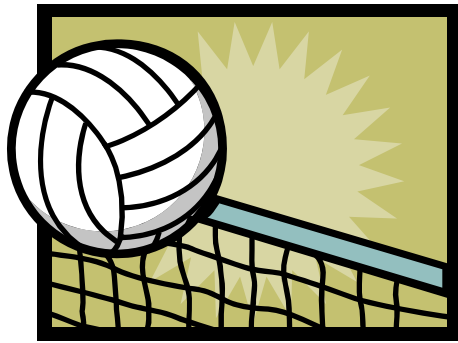
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### March

- 2 Read Across America  
Think Tank Meeting (Site Council), 2:30-3:30 p.m.  
Governing Board Mtg @ Ed Center, 5:30-8:30 pm
- 3 Wednesday Wellness Walk  
Not My Kid Internet Safety Presentation, 6-7 pm
- 8-12 Spring Break – NO SCHOOL!
- 16 PTO Meeting, 6-7 p.m.  
Bilingual Advisory @ Paiute Center, 6-7 p.m.
- 17 Spring Picture Day
- 19 Report Cards Issued
- 24 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 26 Family Read, 7:50-8:20 a.m.  
Ladybug Release Day
- 31 Wednesday Wellness Walk, Talent Show, 5:30-7 p.m.

### April

- 2 District Recess – NO SCHOOL!
- 6 Think Tank Meeting (Site Council), 2:30-3:30 p.m.
- 7 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 8 ANLC – Battle of the Books
- 12 AIMS Testing, April 12<sup>th</sup>-April 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 13 Stanford Testing, April 13<sup>th</sup>-April 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Bilingual Advisory @ Paiute Center, 6-7 p.m.
- 14 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 20 Battle of the Books @ Mohave, 9:30-10:30 am  
PTO Meeting, 6-7 pm
- 21 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 22 DNA Day @Arcadia High (Gleam 4), 8:15-10am
- 23 Exploration Friday, 8:20-10:40 am
- 28 Wednesday Wellness Walk
- 30 Family Read, 7:50-8:20 am  
Silent Auction & Carnival, 5-9 pm



## SPORTS SCHEDULE

### March

- 1 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Cocopah, 4-6 p.m.
  - 4 Volleyball & Flag Football @ Mountainside, 4-6 p.m.
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### “First Things First” Grant

Scottsdale Unified School District is pleased to announce the receipt of the ‘First Things First’ grant through the Arizona Department of Education. The grant provides preschool scholarships effective *now until the end of the school year* for eligible children. Your child must be age four by August 31, 2009.

Questions? Contact Jan Brusca ([Jbrusca@susd.org](mailto:Jbrusca@susd.org) or 480-484-5037) or June Torrance ([juntorr@susd.org](mailto:juntorr@susd.org) or 480-484-5040).



## CHARROS Teachers of the Year at ANLC

The CHARROS organization of Scottsdale has a strong connection to education. Each year they sponsor the CHARROS teachers of the year for each Scottsdale school. Because we are a K-8 school we are able to recognize the accomplishments of both an elementary and a middle school teacher. Teachers nominate their colleagues for this recognition.

*It is with great pleasure that we announce that Kathy Mason, K/1 teacher, is the ANLC Elementary Teacher of the Year and Michelle King, art teacher, as the ANLC Middle School Teacher of the Year.*

Both teachers received flower arrangements congratulating them and invitations to an awards banquet for all Scottsdale teachers of the year to take place in April. Please congratulate these fine candidates.

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The Exploration Friday Committee Chairs would like to thank all of those who made our February 12 Exploration Friday a great success. It is only possible with the dedicated help of committee members and parent helpers. *Thanks to Lou Rodarte, Nancy Dicke, Margaret Ann Lippencott, James Allen, Allison Siegel, Adam Grimes, Lara Wolfe, Jennifer Funke, Anthony Horne, Heidi Alexander, Steve Desch, Allison Newlen, Mike Benner, Jackie Lee, Kathy Denious, Alice Burmeister, Eleanor Beger, Sandy Oglesby, Judy Maltz, Allison Espinosa, Aurelio Espinosa, Gail Lillard, Shannon O'Donnell, Ann Rodarte, Diane Sanders, Lisa Maksym, Sherry Dodgson, and Fred Marderness.*

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## SPRING PICTURE DAY

Wednesday, March 17, is Spring Picture Day. This is an additional opportunity to have your child's picture taken. It is optional and all orders require prepayment. Check your child's backpack for order forms.

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**Campus beautification:** Ann Rodarte reported on the status of the different projects that have improved the look of the campus. Tons of gravel have been added to areas that used to flood, a snake bench was built in the Habitat, and benches have been added in the breezeway. Other benches will be built in the café courtyard. Also new striping will be painted on the concrete near the south playground and maps of the USA and Arizona will be painted in the courtyard outside the café, among other ideas.

This has all been made possible by your contributions to Friends of ANLC's 2007 and 2008 Fall Fundraisers. Be sure to check it out!



## Friends of ANLC's Garden

**Committee** installed 5 additional raised beds so every class now has space in a raised garden. Exploration Friday classes painted the raised beds cheerful colors. Our garden will look great for Ladybug Release Day on Friday, March 26, 2010.

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A Note from Nurse Kay: Please remember all medication must be brought to the nurse's office with a signed district form. Any medication given to the student must be brought in by a parent or guardian and come in the original bottle with directions on the label. Please do not send students to school with a few stray pills in their pocket. If you cannot get to school, send the medication with a hand written note to school and I will send the official form home for you to sign that night and return the next day.

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We've been doing great collecting box tops for education and soup labels. Keep the submissions coming to the library.

Also, we are looking for a new box top/soup label coordinator, if you're interested, please contact Jules Scofield at [julz3035@yahoo.com](mailto:julz3035@yahoo.com) Thank you!



## "Out of This World" Spring Carnival and Auction

Save the date! April 30th, 5-9 p.m. There will be lots of fun rides, great food, raffles, games and our famous silent auction!

Contact Natalie at [natalielahr@gmail.com](mailto:natalielahr@gmail.com) to donate items or volunteer. The best donations come from our parents!



On the anniversary of Dr. Seuss' birthday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, ANLC will be celebrating Read Across America with various presentations from individuals, groups, and classes on the Announcements. During the morning students will carry with them their favorite books to be ready when "Stop, Drop, and Read" is announced. In the afternoon each gleam's classes will mix their students who will then attend various activities associated with Dr. Seuss books presented by their teachers. This is how ANLC will participate in a nationwide celebration of reading!!



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