



DESERTFOOTHILLSNEWS

Name of the Scorpions • The higher we climb, the better the view!

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Ms. Susie Smith
Principal

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Mr. Steve Whynott
Assistant Principal
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A Message from Ms. Smith

We are busy as can be at Desert Foothills with many events!

- **Parent/Teacher Conferences**
Please mark your calendar for our **P/T Conferences to be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2017, from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. in our gymnasium.** Midterm grade reports will be distributed at conferences for third quarter. Your presence is strongly encouraged and appreciated to continue the communication and partnership for your child's success at Desert Foothills. (Early Dismissal February 8, 9, and 10, 2017, at 2:30 p.m.)
- Please remember to stay informed on your child's grades by using our online **ParentVue** 24 hours a day. If you need assistance with your Activation Key, please call the office.
- **Future Freshman Night** and high school registration was a huge success for our eighth graders at all GUHSD schools.
- **Future Scorpion Day** was awesome for all current 6th graders at Acacia, Chaparral, Ironwood and Sunburst on January 31, 2017. Students participated in a great assembly with performances by the DF choir, orchestra, band, and our cheerleaders. The tours of our campus led by the leadership class of students was a highlight for all.
- **ASA, After-school Academy**, started last week with students enjoying robotics, Kodu, drama, fitness, STEM, math and reading classes.
- **Valentine Dance** is Thursday, February 9, 2017, from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. in cafeteria.
- **WESD Canned Food Drive is coming soon!** Please encourage your child to participate and contribute canned food to the homeroom teacher to support St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance. We will be having a "2 Can Dance" for all students who bring in two cans of food.
- **The eighth grade panoramic class photo** is scheduled for Wednesday, March 1, 2017, during homeroom. Students will receive their picture envelopes in homeroom for the opportunity to purchase this photo memory.
- **Our teachers are busy preparing students for the AzMERIT assessment the weeks of March 27, and April 3, 2017. Please mark your calendar for these very important dates to assist you when making any appointments for your child.**

These, along with many other events, keep us very active and allow us to continue to provide the outstanding academic and social environment that we are very proud of at Desert Foothills. Thank you for your partnership with the support of your child, our school and teachers. As always, my door is open to discuss any concerns or issues to assist with your child's success at Desert Foothills.

Principal Susie Smith

February 2017 Calendar of Events

2/1	Early Release	2:30 p.m.
2/2	Girls B-Ball DF @ PV	4:15 p.m.
2/4	Best Buddies Annual Friendship Walk	8:00 a.m.
2/6	Winter Sports Pictures	
2/8	Early Release	2:30 p.m.
	Parent Teacher Conferences	4-8 p.m.
	Midterms Go Home	
2/9	Early Release	2:30 p.m.
	Valentine Dance – café	
2/10	Early Release	2:30 p.m.
2/14	Girls B-Ball RP @ DF	4:15 p.m.
	Boys Soccer RP @ DF	4:15 p.m.
2/15	Early Release	2:30 p.m.
	Site Council	5:15 p.m.
	B.E.ST.T. - P.T.O. Meeting	6:00 p.m.
2/16	Girls B-Ball DF @ CH	4:15 p.m.
	Boys Soccer DF @ CH	4:15 p.m.
2/20	Presidents Day – NO SCHOOL	
2/21	Girls B-Ball DF @ MS	4:15 p.m.
	Boys Soccer DF @ MS	4:15 p.m.
2/22	Early Release	2:30 p.m.
2/23	Girls B-ball PV @ DF	4:15 p.m.
	Boys Soccer PV @ DF	4:15 p.m.
	Governing Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
2/24	Regional Spelling Bee	9:00 a.m.
2/25	WESD Job Fair	
2/27	Spring Sports Pictures	8:30 a.m.

To view Desert Foothill's online calendar, insert the URL address below into your Internet browser, <http://desertfoothills.wesdschools.org>; click on Desert Foothills Calendar.

Congratulations Spelling Bee Winner

Congratulations to Krisandra W. for placing fourth at the district spelling bee. Krisandra will go on to represent Desert Foothill at the regional spelling bee on Friday, February 24.



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Governing Board: Bill Adams, President • Larry Herrera, Vice President
Aaron Jahneke, Member • Tee Lambert, Member
Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

2017 7th Grade Girls Basketball Team

Julietta G. Shelby V. Elayna P. Jasmine K.
Destiny A. Jenessie G. Sara N.
Lydia B. Ashley S. Delylah H.
Hailey C. Sydney Z.

2017 8th Grade Girls Basketball Team

Vlera S. Emily C. Almaaime M.
Marisol E. Ana A. Deziree B.
Brianna W. Alena H. Chloe F.
Shayla D. Arianna V. Katelynn M.

2017 Lady Scorpions Softball Team

Jamie C. Katie D. Jennifer E.
Ashlyn F. Cami F. Hailey H.
Kendra K. Jocelyn L. Arianna O.
Kaitlyn R. Kiany R. Jacey W.

2017 Scorpions Soccer Team

Rafael B. Jaime C. Eduardo E.
Carlos G. Jose L. Carlos M.
Ramiro M. Alfredo N. Andrew N.
Javier O. Jhoan (Tito) Q. Eduardo S.
George W. Brandon W. Armando D.

Managers

Maya B. Susi M. Kiany R.

2ND QUARTER PRINCIPALS LIST 3.5-4.0

7TH GRADE 4.0 GPA- The "A" Team

Naila A. Nathaniel A. Mackenzie A.
Arelly B. Lydia B. Kyle B.
Noe Antonio B. Abimel B. Trinity B.
Josue C. Penelope C. Josef C.
Sierra C. Vicente C. Melina C.
Emma D. Armando D. Kairi D.
Aiden D. Diana E. Anthony F.
Gabriel G. Andrea G. Wynona G.
Jenessie G. Julieta G. Elizabeth G.
Shyanne H. Hailey H. Fernando H.
Phillip H. Caitlyn H. Vivian H.
Peyton H. Adam H. Nathalia I.
Nathan L. Zachary L. Carla L.
Arianna M. Mykayla M. Carlos Alexis M.
Blanca M. Daniel M. Alexa M.
Peter N. Nataly O. Sandra P.
Jessica P. Tammy P. Jenika P.
Sanaii P. Michaela P. Kaitlynn R.
Madiana R. Sara S. Ashley S.
Kelly S. Cristal S. Kristina S.
Everett S. Teeanna T. Thu T.
Gentiar T. Lillian T. Jordyn W.
Sydney Z.

8TH GRADE 4.0 GPA- The "A" Team

David A. Ana A. Alfieri A.
Rita B. Taylor B. Daisy C.
Kirstin C. Emily C. Henry D.
Shayla D. Tana D. Jaedynn E.
Tarynn E. Chloe F. Cameryn F.
Modesto G. Alina G. Rylee H.
Isabelle H. Diana H. Avah H.
Christian J. Lindsay L. Julie L.
LaDashya L. Bernardino L. Alexis M.
Nadia M. Dachelys M. Lovely M.
Alexandria M. William N. Jose O.
Javier O. Arianna O. Kaitlyn R.
Kiany R. Sara R. Abbey R.
Ariana R. Valeria S. Rolando S.
Mena S. Hannah S. Payton S.
Jacob S. Skyler S. Orion S.
Vlera S. Christina T. Diana Jasmine T.
Hayden T. Arianna V. Conner V.
Cheyanne V. Juliana V. Anahi V.
Grecia V. Alhasan W. Brianna W.
Helene W. Ashlii W. Cory W.
Samuel W.

7th GRADE 3.5-3.99 GPA- Renaissance Gold

Olga A. Hasan A. Kalen A.
Haleigh A. Lyndsey A. Gabrielle A.
Elvis A. Jackson A. Zachary B.
Celeste C. Grace C. Stevie C.
Jorge C. Matthew C. Hailey C.
Cassandra C. Owen D. Katelyn D.
Anthony D. Kristal D. Kathleen D.
Dylan F. Eduardo F. Caitlyn G.
Samantha H. Oscar H.. Delylah H.
Isabella I. Kevin J.. Tavyon J.
Jasmine K. Brandon K. Shanandra L.
Laisha L. Alyssa M. Bernardo M.
Angel M. Xavier N. Kelvyn N.
Janie O. Jaiden O. Elayna P.
Lorena Q. Grace R.. Leeah R.
Joseph S. Michelle S. Kailey S.
Brianna S. Claudia S. Rose S.
Joshua S. Nathan S. Eva S.
Ricardo S. Chance S. Elizabeth S.
Xander T. Anthony T. Michael T.
Serena V. Bernadette V. Shelby V.
Megan W. Jaylen W. Mckenzie W.
Brooklyn W.

8th GRADE 3.5-3.99 GPA- Renaissance Gold

Abbas A. Zoey A. Benjamin A.
Rachel A. Makenzie B. Deziree B.
Ethan B. Alyson B. Benito C.
Gwendolyn C. Amy C. Harerimana D.
Soleil D. Miguel D. Maryam E.
Amaya E. Zackary F. Haiden G.
Dylon G. Alexis G. Michelle G.
Jaylen G. Hailey H. Daisy H.
Daniel H. Alena H. Dacia J.
Shade J. Brent K. Devin L.
Lili L. Caroline L. Jeremy M.
Skyler M. Kenan M. Anahi N.
Victoria N. Maral O. Berenice O.
Sydney O. Jake R. Avery R.
Anthony R. Kyle R. Orlando R.
Brianna R. Faythe S. Cameron S.
Jocelyn T. Kevin Samuel V. Jose V.
Kenna V. Bobby V. Krisanda W.
Allen W.

Read Across America 2017

It's time to break out the infamous red-and-white-striped, stove-pipe hats and your favorite books because the annual Read Across America celebration is nearly here! Read Across America is celebrated every year on March 2, Theodor Geisel's birthday – better known to millions as Dr. Seuss.

Now in its 20th year, Read Across America is an annual reading motivation and awareness program sponsored by the National Education Association that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on or around Dr. Seuss's birthday. The event's purpose is to motivate children to read and focus the country's attention on the importance of reading.

This year's theme is "Grab Your Hat and Read With the Cat." To help us celebrate, the Washington Elementary School District is inviting parents, community leaders and neighborhood partners into the classroom to read to students.

If you love to read and enjoy children, then Read Across America is the volunteer opportunity for you. Whether you bring your favorite book or need a book provided for you, we invite you to share your love of reading with our students.

For more information, please contact **Monica Bridges at 602-896-5500**.