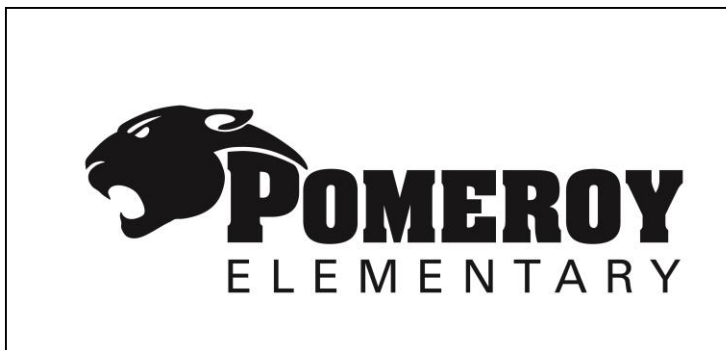


# Panther Paw Prints

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Mar 28<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Keyboarding (Media Center)	<b>Mar 29<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:15-3pm</b> - Jump Rope Club (MPR) <b>2:30-3:30pm</b> - ELL Tutoring (Rooms 13, 19, & 20)	<b>Mar 30<sup>th</sup></b> <b>10:30am</b> - Annual Western Day <b>*1:45pm-2:00pm</b> - Student Council ice cream sale (Ramada)	<b>Mar 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Chess Club (Media Center)
<b>April 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Keyboarding (Media Center)	<b>April 5<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:15-3pm</b> - Jump Rope Club (MPR) <b>2:20-3pm</b> - Battle of the Books 5th & 6th graders (Media Center) <b>2:30-3:30pm</b> - ELL Tutoring (Rooms 13, 19, & 20) <b>5:45pm</b> - General PTO Meeting (Media Center)	<b>April 6<sup>th</sup></b> <b>7:15am</b> - Student Council Mtg. (Room 29)  <b>11:45am</b> <b>Extra Early Release</b>	<b>April 7<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>**Testing Begins</b>  <b>Spirit Hat Day</b>	<b>April 8<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Chess Club (Media Center)
<b>April 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Keyboarding (Media Center)	<b>April 12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:15-3pm</b> - Jump Rope Club (MPR) <b>2:30-3:30pm</b> - ELL Tutoring (Rooms 13, 19, & 20)	<b>April 13<sup>th</sup></b> <b>*1:45pm-2:00pm</b> - Student Council ice cream sale (Ramada)	<b>April 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>April 15<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Chess Club (Media Center)
<b>April 18<sup>th</sup></b> <b>CRT Testing K-2nd grades</b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Keyboarding (Media Center)	<b>April 19<sup>th</sup></b> <b>CRT Testing K-2nd grades</b> <b>2:15-3pm</b> - Jump Rope Club (MPR) <b>2:30-3:30pm</b> - ELL Tutoring (Rooms 13, 19, & 20)	<b>April 20<sup>th</sup></b> <b>CRT Testing K-2nd grades</b> <b>*1:45pm-2:00pm</b> - Student Council ice cream sale (Ramada)	<b>April 21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>CRT Testing K-2nd grades</b>	<b>April 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>CRT Testing K-2nd</b> <b>gradea (make-ups)</b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Chess Club (Media Center)
<b>April 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Keyboarding (Media Center)	<b>April 26<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:15-3pm</b> - Jump Rope Club (MPR) <b>2:30-3:30pm</b> - ELL Tutoring (Rooms 13, 19, & 20)	<b>April 27<sup>th</sup></b> <b>*1:45pm-2:00pm</b> - Student Council ice cream sale (Ramada)	<b>April 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>April 29<sup>th</sup></b> <b>2:20-3:20pm</b> - Chess Club (Media Center)



**School Hours**

Monday - Friday, 7:45 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.  
Early dismissal every Wednesday at 1:45 p.m.

**Office Hours**

Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Important Phone Numbers**

Attendance 480-472-3753  
Main Office 480-472-3700  
Fax 480-472-3767  
Dr. Driscoll 480-472-3752  
Health Office 480-472-3764

**School Website:** [www.mpsaz.org/pomeroy](http://www.mpsaz.org/pomeroy)

\*See Student Council section for details

\*\*See Spring Testing section for details

## **GENERAL SCHOOL INFORMATION**

### Traffic:

Please be mindful of traffic laws and procedures throughout our school community. This includes the school speed limit that is in place for everyone's safety as well as stopping at crosswalks for people to cross. The safety of your children is the number one priority here at Pomeroy and we need your help to ensure that all students come to and from school safely.

### Late Arrival Procedures:

After the 7:45 am bell rings please take your child to the front office to be signed in.

### Attendance:

If your child will not be in attendance at school for any reason (i.e., illness, doctor appt., out of town) please be sure to call the attendance line at 480-472-3753 and excuse them from school. Always provide the office with a dr. note if applicable.

### Title I:

For information about Title I go to the school website [www.mpsaz.org/pomeroy](http://www.mpsaz.org/pomeroy) and scroll down to the bottom of the page. Under "Parent Resources" you will find the "Title I" link. Click on that link and you will find many helpful resources including homework help, curriculum, AzMERIT information and more!

## **STUDENT COUNCIL**

Student Council meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:15 am in room 29.

April 6<sup>th</sup> - Student Council Meeting

April 7<sup>th</sup> Spirit Day - Hat Day. Show school spirit and wear your favorite hat to school!!! **The classroom with the most participation will win a pizza party!**

Student Council will be selling ice cream for \$1 Wednesdays right after school near the Ramada right after dismissal

## **BUS RIDERS**

Reminder for bus riders: No food or drinks are allowed on the bus. This includes Kona Ice and ice cream. Also, all bus riders should promptly be getting on their bus after dismissal to ensure the buses stay on schedule for their routes.

## **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### Extra Early Release

Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> student will be released extra early at 11:45am. Please be sure to make arrangements for your student(s) to be picked up at 11:45am.

### New Parent Drop-off & Pick-up Procedures

New parent drop-off & pick-up procedures will go into effect on April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. A letter along with a detailed map went home with students on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016. If you need another copy, they are available in the office. We ask for your patience as everyone adjusts to the new procedures. If you have a suggestion contact Chandler Police Officer Dieu at 480-472-3310. Thank you for your attention to student safety and your continued support of Pomeroy Elementary School.

## **SPRING TESTING**

During the month of April, 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be taking the AzMERIT test. AzMERIT is the standardized test for all 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade students in Arizona to monitor student, class, school and district academic achievement (3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades). Testing dates are specific to each students' class. Be sure to look for those dates coming home from your student's teacher(s).

Families can access more information and sample the AzMERIT test at <http://azmeritportal.org/>

Also, CRT testing will take place April 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> for K - 2<sup>nd</sup> graders. The CRT test is the assessment test that Mesa Public Schools uses to monitor student, class, school and district academic achievement (K - 2<sup>nd</sup> grades).

### **Please remember:**

- It is important for students to arrive on-time on testing days.
- Avoid scheduling routine doctor and/or dentist appointments on testing days.
- Inform the office and your student's teacher if they will be absent during their testing days.
- Be sure students get enough sleep and a healthy breakfast.
- Remind your student(s) that there is no need to stress or have anxiety about the test. The work they have been doing at school has been preparing them for their test. Encourage them to do their best work and simply show what they know.

We appreciate your support in helping your student(s) succeed!

## HEALTH OFFICE

Parents of 5th graders: Your students will be required to have a TDap and Meningococcal immunization prior to starting 6th grade if they have already turned 11 at the start of the school year. Please get your student immunized and then bring a record of the immunization to the health office.

## KIDS CORNER

Kids Corner is on-site before and after school child care.

For more information about Kids Corner contact the MPS Community Education Dept at 480-472-7250.

The on-site contact for enrolled students is David Jaques at 480-250-5272.

## MONTESSORI

A huge THANK YOU to all of the wonderful parents who made our Montessori Field Day a success! The weather was beautiful and the kids had a great time!

Here is a description of Montessori by one of our own Montessori students. Brandon Bednar (4th Grader) says, Montessori is a school program that allows students to learn independently at their own pace. Students can go ahead of their grade level in academics if needed. The children independently choose the order they will complete their assignments.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### Check Your Child's Backpack:

Please remember to check your child's backpack and folders daily for regular school and classroom information. Call or email your child's teacher or office when you have questions or concerns. Staff contact info can be found at [www.mpsaz.org/pomeroy/staff/](http://www.mpsaz.org/pomeroy/staff/). Please read the MPS Information & Guidelines manual for elementary students which is available on the Mesa Public Schools website, it provides you with valuable information.

### Resources:

The Child Crisis Center (CCC) - Family Resource Center (FRC) is a free resource for all families and community members. They offer parenting classes, workshops, childrens playgroups, support groups, and many other resources. Visit their website at [www.childcrisis.org/frc](http://www.childcrisis.org/frc) or call them at (480)834-9424.

## PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

### PTO Board for 2016-2017 School Year

If you want to be part of the PTO Board please submit your name to the office with the position you are interested in. All submissions need to be turned in by April 4 2016. Voting will be held at the April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 general meeting at 5:45pm in the Media Center.

### Next General PTO Meeting:

Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:45pm in the Media Center

### Volunteer Contact Info

If you would like to volunteer with the PTO, email [pomeroypto@gmail.com](mailto:pomeroypto@gmail.com)! We ♥ Volunteers!

### Fundraising



Login to your Amazon account thru [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and select "Pomeroy Elementary Parent Teacher Organization" as your Charity. Amazon will donate 0.5% back to the school for any orders made thru Amazon Smile. **Remember, always start at smile.amazon.com when you place an order!**



Don't forget to log onto the Fry's website and link your Fry's card to Pomeroy Elementary.



THANK YOU, THANK YOU for all of your Box Tops! Together as a whole the school was able to raise \$1,020 during our Spring Box Tops contest!!! Congratulations to the winning class - Ms. Murphy's room. Their class alone collected 1194 Box Tops (\$119.40)! When we come together as a community we can do great things! The next competition will be the Fall of next school year. Be sure to save those Box Tops over the summer!

Pomeroy Elementary PTO



## MEDIA CENTER

Friendly reminder to please turn your library books in on time!

