

# Panther Paw Prints

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
August 8 <sup>th</sup>	9	10 First Day of School	11	12
15 7:00am-7:30am - Back to School Pool Party Presale (Ramada) 5:30pm - PTO Mtg. (Media Center)	16 7:00am-7:30am - Back to School Pool Party Presale (Ramada)	17 7:00am-7:30am - Back to School Pool Party Presale (Ramada)	18 7:00am-7:30am - Back to School Pool Party Presale (Ramada)	19 *6pm-8pm - Back to School Pool Party (Desert Oasis Pool)
22	23	24	25 **7:15am - Student Council Mtg. (Room 29) ***2:20pm-3:20pm - Community Garden Club (Garden Beds)	26 4pm-9pm - Chipotle Dine & Donate (101/Elliot)
29	30	31	Sept. 1st *5pm-6:30pm - Curriculum Night	2



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 \*\*See Student Council section for details  
 \*\*\*See *NEW* Community Garden section for details

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

## GENERAL 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 doctor's 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!

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Welcome back to another fun and exciting year of P.E. at Pomeroy!

Mrs. Pitts is our new School Based P.E. Teacher, and she can't wait to get to know each of you.

Your child will attend P.E. class twice per week for 30 minutes. Please remember to send your child prepared with comfortable tennis shoes and appropriate clothing for movement on their P.E. days.

Let's have a fun and active year!

## KIDS CORNER

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

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

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

## SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- August 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> - Back to School Pool Party  
Ticket Sales 7:00-7:30am  
Ramada near Office
- August 19<sup>th</sup> - Back to School Pool Party  
(see below)
- September 1<sup>st</sup> - Curriculum Night 5-6:30pm  
Parents will be informed of the opportunities that Pomeroy provides through the use of Title 1 Funds.

### Back to School Pool Party

Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> is the Back to School Pool Party! Come out for a swim and enjoy some pizza and drinks. This annual event is always a splash hit for the returning students and families.

Location: Desert Oasis Pool  
1400 W Summit Pl, Chandler

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Drinks and Pizza slices will be on sale!

This is a PRESALE event only, tickets will be available 7-7:30am August 15-18<sup>th</sup> under the ramanda near the office. Get your ticket before they are SOLD OUT! (Max capacity of 600 people).



## 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 the office when you have questions or concerns. Staff contact info can be found at 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, children's 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.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council will hold its first meeting of the year on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Officers will discuss planned activities and fund-raisers for the 2016-17 school year!

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>  
**Attendees:** Officers Only  
**Time:** 7:15 am  
(MUST BE ON TIME)  
**Location:** Room 29

## BUS RIDERS

### Reminder for bus riders:

No food or drinks are allowed on the bus. This includes any after school treat sales. Also, all bus riders should promptly be getting on their bus after dismissal to ensure the buses stay on schedule for their routes.

## MEDIA CENTER

Welcome Back to the Media Center!

- Please help your child remember to bring library books back the day **BEFORE** they come to Media Center!
- Be on the lookout for a booklet about the databases we have. They can be accessed from home or school!

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

## COMMUNITY GARDEN CLUB

We welcome the NEW addition of the Pomeroy Community Garden Club to the school this year!

### Details:

The Community Garden Club will meet the last Thursday of every month from 2:20-3:20pm (with the exception of breaks and school holidays). Club will meet at the Garden Beds located on the South side of the school. Students need to be accompanied by their parents. This is NOT a drop off and pick up program.

### Additional Information:

Please sign-in at the front office. Come ready to work and have some fun! Bring water, sun protection, and wear clothing and shoes that can get dirty. Garden activities will vary as seasons change.

**First Meeting:** Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

**NEW!**



## PARENT TEACHER

## ORGANIZATION

The Pomeroy Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization is a nonprofit group comprised of parents, teachers, and staff dedicated to improving the educational experience of all students at Pomeroy Elementary School.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>  
**Attendees:** Everyone's Welcome  
**Time:** 5:30 pm  
**Location:** Media Center

### Dine & Donate

**Date:** Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 4:00pm-9:00pm  
**Location:** Chipotle  
2020 E Elliot Rd #102  
(West of Loop 101/Elliot)

### Fundraising

Don't forget to log onto Fry's website to re-enroll in the Community Rewards program at the beginning of each school year.

Log onto your Amazon account through [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and select "Pomeroy Elementary Parent Teacher Organization" as your charity. Amazon donates 0.5% back to the school for any orders made through Amazon Smile.

Keep collecting Box Tops, a turn them into your child's teacher.

Check out more details on upcoming events and PTO information on our Facebook page!



## HEALTH OFFICE

The health office can always use extra kid-sized shorts, shirts and underwear. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

It's still very hot outside. Please provide water bottles for your students and encourage them to drink water throughout the day.

Parents of 6th graders, if your student has not gotten their 6th grade immunizations (meningitis and Tdap), please do that ASAP and get the record of those immunizations to the health office.

Thank you for your continued support of the Pomeroy community!

**THANK YOU!**