



Tiger News

The School of Champions  Where Everyone is a Winner

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TUMBLEWEED MISSION STATEMENT

Tumbleweed's mission is to provide relevant, quality education to our students that will enable them to participate successfully in the changing world. In pursuit of this mission, Tumbleweed will: seek innovations that encourage excitement for learning, create a learning environment characterized by caring and trust, help each child develop to his or her fullest potential, and provide opportunities that help students meet the challenges of change.

VISION STATEMENT:

"Tumbleweed Elementary school is committed to providing an engaging and enriching environment that will promote academic and social excellence for all students."

MOTTO: *"Tigers to the Top"*

MRS. RUSSELL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! Welcome back to the third quarter and the second semester of school. We hope you all had a pleasant Winter Break and are ready to put forth lots of effort in the second half of the school year. We have been busy already with our teaching and activities. The PTA-sponsored **Bingo Night** and **Internet Safety Presentation** was a huge success. Thanks for coming to support the school and play with your children. Thanks to the PTA for planning this activity and for all those who assisted and attended.

On our early release Wednesdays, teachers have been working on and collaborating with data analysis of Interim test results, reading intervention strategies and a mid-year reflection activity. They also have worked on intervention and acceleration plans to fit the needs of individual students.

Welcome 2017



WESD Community Food Drive Coming in February



Washington Elementary School District will be hosting the WESD Community Food Drive from Monday, February 13 through Friday, Feb. 24 to benefit St. Mary's

Food Bank Alliance. Right now, one in four children in Arizona is going to bed hungry. WESD can help change that. As a community leader and partner with St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, WESD is asking every school to participate. Each student is asked to bring in canned food to donate during those two weeks.

Last year we collected more than 57,000 pounds of food! Questions about getting involved may be directed to Jill Hicks, WESD

community outreach coordinator, at 602-347-2644.



Parent/Teacher Conferences



Our second round of conferences are on February 8, 9, and 10 during early release. Thursday, February 9 will be our late night. We

are anxious to meet with each parent. Please make every effort to attend.



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Governing Board: Bill Adams, President • Larry Herrera, Vice President
Aaron Jahneke, Member • Tee Lambert, Member

Dr. Paul Stanton, Superintendent

Spelling Bee

On December 21, 2016, Tumbleweed fourth, fifth and sixth graders were buzzing with excitement during our annual spelling bee. Two participants from each class spelled words "bee-autifully." They had to "bee" brave as they spelled words in front of students and parents. Our winner was a 4th



grader named Tammy N. from Mrs. Barseness' class. She will go on to the District-level spelling bee at 9:30 a.m. in the Board room of the Administrative Center on January 26, 2017. Kira A. from Mr. Brennan's class was our runner up. Congratulations to both of them! Our other participants were Jordan S., Alexander H., Stephen C., Tony K., Melody H., Tiana D., Shunnon E., Chase M., Jasmine K., Isabel C., and Madison F.

Principal's List

Fourth: Liliana C., Caitlyn F., Kyana R., Stephen C., Elisha F., Briauna H., Mia H., Zoey L., Ezekiel L., Landen L., Tammy N., Jorge S., Kamaya W., Abby U., Tony K., Damian C., Brooklyn C.

Fifth: Halen B., Trevor C., Jasmine K., Chase M., Nathaniel O., Nadalie V., Isaac H., Braiden L., Brisa M., Denise O., Levin R., Kaylee S., Nestor T., Jenna L.

Sixth: Emmanuel B., Cristina M., Elizama S., Kaylee S., Prescilla W.

Honor Roll

Fourth: Robert D., Natalie G., John J., Kylee K., Tyrone L., Melissa M., Carlos M., Jordan S., Martin B., Dominic D., Jakob S., Tatum S., Lexy Jo S., Edwin T., Jasmine Z., William S., Jose R., Kelsey M., Marlee C., Adam H., Sophia H., Melody H., Dyanna G., Jonathan E., Noah E., Maurice B.

Fifth: Sylvia D., Edrianna E., Lilly L., Sherilin L., Emese S., Jacob R.

Sixth: Raechal F., Madison F., Jamie G., Daija L., Mason R., Jesus S., Maribel V., Alina W., Ajha A., Beyance C., Nathan C., Galilea M., Deegan S.

Lost and Found

Our lost and found is growing. Please take the time to check the bins in the cafeteria for missing items. Any items that are not claimed by January 31, 2017, will be donated.



Event Schedule

February

- 01 Early release 1:00 p.m.
- 03 Spirit Assembly 2:10 p.m.
- 06 Student Council mtg. 2:30-3:30 p.m.
- 07 Gr 2 – Field Trip
- 08 Donuts with Dad 7:00 a.m.-7:30 a.m.
Early release 1:00 p.m.
Parent/Teacher Conferences
Neighborhood meeting 6:30 p.m.
- 09 Early release 1:00 p.m.
Parent/Teacher Conf. (late night)
Governing Board meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 10 Early release 1:00 p.m.
Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 13 District-wide Food Drive begins
Student Council mtg. 2:30-3:30 p.m.
- 15 Early release 1:00 p.m.
Mid-terms go home
Site Council 3:30 p.m.
- 16 PTA Peter Piper 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- 20 **No School – Presidents' Day**
- 21 Spring Pictures
- 23 Governing Board meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 24 District-wide Food Drive ends
Gr 4 – Field Trip
Gr 3 – Field Trip
- 27 Student Council mtg. 2:30-3:30 p.m.
PTA Meeting – 4:00 p.m.

Girls Basketball

Congratulations to the girls selected for the 2016-2017 girls' basketball team: Lilly L., Abby U., J'Meha P., Alina W., Amira K., Janiya F., Anjelica H., Madison F., Alexandra M., Kaylee S., Te-Asia G., Emese S., Dana W., Zoey L., Briauna H., Prescilla W., Trinity H., Ui'Lani J.



Congratulations!

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen as student of the month for the month of January.

Kinder: Laniyah D., Aiyana R., Emily G.

First: Preston S., Logan S., Fabien H.

Second: Madison L., Ava H., Liliana H.

Third: Sammy A., Nevaeh G., Reese W.

Fourth: Dyanna G., Briauna H., Caitlyn F.

Fifth: Jacob R., Brianna F.

Sixth: Daija L., Kenneth G.

Special Areas: Jeremy S., Juan G., Lilly L.

**Additional Days of
Early Release
1:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 9
and
Friday, February 10
during
Parent/Teacher
Conferences**



**Yearbook
Presale**

The 2016-2017 yearbook will be going on sale soon. It is full of special events, photos and memories. It's a wonderful way to remember your child's school year! Watch for pre-sale order forms to come home in the next few weeks.

**NO SCHOOL
Monday, February 20, 2017
Presidents' Day**

NEWS FROM OUR PTA



Welcome Back Tigers!

We are excited to kick off our second half of the school year!

We have Bingo Night in January, Donuts with Dad in February, Read Across America in March, Spring Carnival in April, Muffins With Mom in May and then it's time for summer! *Can you believe how fast time is flying?*

We are in need of any and all help you may have to offer for the Spring Carnival! Do you have outdoor/yard games or other ideas for games that can be played at the carnival? Let us know and we would love to pick them up and drop them off in order to be able to use them for the day on April 8!

Contact us with any questions, concerns or ideas you may have!
TumbleweedPTA@gmail.com

SCHOOL HOURS
Daily Schedule:
Kindergarten – grade 6: 7:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday Only:
Kindergarten – grade 6: 7:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Students are not to be on campus before 7:15 a.m. as there will not be supervision prior to this time.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb. 13 District-wide Food Drive Begins
- Feb. 24 Food Drive Ends
- Mar. 20-24 No School
Spring Break
- Mar. 27 School Resumes
State Testing Week
- Apr. 8 PTA Carnival

GIFTED SERVICES

In accordance with ARS §15-779, special education is provided to students of lawful school age identified as gifted in one or more of the verbal, quantitative or nonverbal reasoning areas. The Washington District has a continuum of gifted services from which each school selects those that best meet their students' needs. Center-based services for highly gifted students are also available. If you think your child may need these special education services, evaluation is available. Contact your child's teacher for more information.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Office	896-6600	Attendance	896-6610
Fax	896-6620	Cafeteria	896-6617
Library	896-6609	Social Worker	896-6658
Sp. Needs	896-6625	KidSpace	896-6615
Transportation	896-5270	Head Start	896-6667

