

DESERT MEADOWS PAW PRINTS

SEPTEMBER 2022

Desert Meadows Families,

We are now halfway through the first quarter and the school year is off to a great start. Our staff is working diligently with our students to support academic success. Parents, thank you for actively participating in your child's education. It was wonderful to see parents and students at our Curriculum Night on September 8th. Our teachers truly appreciate your support and look forward to working closely with you throughout the year, thanks again!

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held the week of October 3rd. Your child's teacher will be reaching out to you in the next few weeks to set up an appointment. This is an excellent opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and discuss progress and any concerns you may have. During P/T conference week, our PTA will be sponsoring The Scholastic Book Fair, which will be held in our library. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you for the opportunity to teach your child each day. Please make sure to have your child at school every day. We want to maximize their learning experience but we can't do that if students are not here consistently. As always, thank you for supporting Desert Meadows School. Our staff is committed to the success of all students and we appreciate your continued assistance. I wish all of our students and families a successful first quarter. Have a great month!

Sincerely,

J.P. Ketcham



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Upcoming Events

9/22: Basketball & Softball at Paseo Point



9/22: PTA Peter Piper Night



9/26: Basketball & Softball at Vista Del Sur



9/28: Half Day Release

9/29: Basketball & Softball at Trailside

9/30: \$1.00 Dress Down Day



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August Students of the Month

Amina Valdez
Christopher Cruz
Nuer Koang
Juan Diego Ochoa
Jayvon Foster
Rylan Ordinola
Robert Johnson
Salvador Duran
Jet Pedersen
Kayla Campbell
Messiah Hyacinth
David White
Alton Dang
Natalie Ortega
Kavin Thach
Eva Ayala
Kimberly Negrete
Sydney Miller
Angel Martinez
Judith Siegel-Anderson
Audrii Rosales

Haow Koang
Riley He
Anabella Soto Torres
Maliya Saiz
Leopolodo Valenzuela
Eduardo Leon
Kalia Burgos
Xavier Morano
Trayvion Johnson
Ethan Mendoza
Joseph Dela Cruz
Ka'leel Nestor
Augustus Otioti
Kingston Williams
Alina Gascon
Aaron Ayon
Holly Taylor
Damien Ayon
Sophie Jimenez



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Celebrations



Mr. Gutierrez received the Golden Apple Award for his work in the special education department.

Ms. Saltarelli received the Excellence in Education award for her work in the classroom.



Ms. Zuckerman received district employee of the month for August.



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PBIS

Our students have been using the PBIS Rewards app to earn TRACK Coins for their excellent, on TRACK behavior!

Students can go to the TRACK store every morning and use their coins to purchase prizes or supplies such as key chains, stickers, pencils, and notebooks.

Want to see what your students are earning and help them redeem coins? Download the PBIS student app and have them log in using their Chromebook username and password.

Students have been able to spend their TRACK Coins at our Bobcat Store for prizes, supplies, and entries to our BBQ raffle!



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Pre-School



In Mrs. Romero's class, students are learning how to retell a story using vocabulary words such as first, next, and last.

Students in developmental preschool learned all about the color yellow.

They took a walk around

Desert Meadows to find all the things that were yellow!

Students found yellow bulletin boards, staff members wearing yellow, and giant yellow pencils!



Coming up is red day on September 30th!



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Science



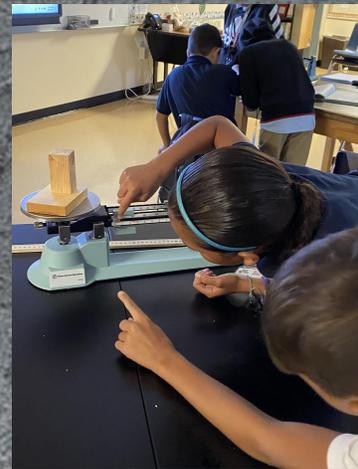
Students at Desert Meadows have been getting hands-on with science this year! With a newly revamped curriculum, teachers are able get students thinking, questioning, observing, and evaluating like a scientist!



2nd grade began the year digging in sand to create landforms with water and modeling.



6th graders were using balances and blocks to measure the physical properties of matter.



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Computer Science

Great things are happening in the Desert Meadows Tech Cave. This September we are starting our preparations for the upcoming Esports season. This is a club and we are excited to start our season of Fall Major competitions.

We will be broadcasting our competitions soon for all our supporters to watch.

