

## *A Note from Principal Duff*

Dear Parents,

- On Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, your MTA Site Council approved the addition of red socks, tights, leggings etc, to the current allowable colors of navy blue, white, or cream. In addition, they also approved the discipline rubric that they began constructing last year. The rubric will soon be posted on the MTA web page for you to view. The MTA Site Council will begin looking at the current uniform policy and discussing possible issue of refinement. If you have any thoughts or concerns about the possible revision of the current uniform policy, please voice your concern to a Site Council representative. Contact information for all MTA Site Council representatives can be found on the MTA web page.
- In case you had not noticed, the city has granted us an official school crosswalk designation, complete with school zone signs. Please remember that it is illegal to pass cars inside of the school zone area (ie: passing cars turning left onto 10<sup>th</sup> street by going around them in the bike lane).
- Arizona Revised Statutes prohibits dogs from being brought onto school property. It's fine if you have little "Woofy" in the car during morning drop-off or afternoon pick-up, but please note that you cannot take them, regardless of size, out of your vehicles (yes, even if they are on a leash). All other animals require the permission from the school principal (that's me) prior to being brought onto campus (ie: show and tell).

Sincerely,

Mike Duff

Principal

## Important Dates & Events

11/18 - Friday  
Donuts with Dads  
7:15-8:00am

11/22 - Tuesday  
\*\*No MTA T-shirt  
REGULAR UNIFORM DRESS

11/23-11/25 - Wed.-Fri.  
Thanksgiving Break

11/30 - Wednesday  
TCT Early Release,  
1:30 (10:20 for half-day K)

12/2 - Friday  
MTA T-shirt Day



12/2 - Friday  
All Teacher/Staff  
Breakfast, 7:00am. Sponsored  
by 4<sup>th</sup> gr. parents

12/6 - Tuesday  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Music Program  
6:30pm MTA cafeteria

12/5 - 12/7 - Mon. - Wed.  
Scholastic Book Fair

12/6 - District Board  
Meeting, 6pm

12/7 Wed. TCT Early Release  
1:30pm (10:20 for half-day K)

# Important Announcements

## Winter Sports Teams

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### Varsity Girls' Basketball

**Coach Amy Hardy**

Abby Jones  
Emma Johnson  
Katie Desmond  
Peyton Prigge  
Gabby Grajales  
Zoe Traynor  
Ellie Forsythe  
Raiyah Patton  
Lily O'Conner  
Larisa Krueger  
Tatum Cork  
MJ Machen

### JV Girls' Basketball

**Coach Jennifer Wolf**

Katie Butler  
Emma Walker  
Sinai Urbietta  
Alana Querciagrossa  
Elma Huseinovic  
Daisy Turton-Peterson  
Maddie Jaeger  
Spencer Green  
Angela Agee  
Meghan Koonce  
Anisa Sweiss  
Celina Duran

### Varsity Boys' Basketball

**Coach Jonathan Simon**

Thomas Albin  
Elijah Arellano  
Morgan Billingsly  
Coleman Busselle  
Juan Carlos-Lopez  
Michael Darden  
Trey Dillard  
Sean Miller  
Peter Schneider  
Henry Travland

### JV Boys' Basketball

**Coach Ian Serdenia**

Sam Tiffany  
Zach McCarthy  
Ayden Rafael  
Sam Harris  
Abel Cortez  
Teddy Krueger  
Chris Blessington  
Andres Pacheco  
Charlie Albin  
Jaxson Baker  
Marcus Fox  
Theo Schneider  
Ethan Robinson  
Brayden Salmins

### Flag Football

**Coach Alex Pierson**

Trevor Thompson  
Mason Freeman  
Seth Boggess  
Jax Hudgens  
Trenton McGill  
Skyler Duty  
Brady Wheeler  
Tristan Willet-Hardy  
Andrew McDougal  
Cullen Querciagrossa  
Nick Nelson  
Brody Thompson  
Colin Cool  
Zach Mederios  
Max Turton-Peterson

### Cheer

**Coach Jessica Sexton**

Bryanna Morales  
Maddy Turton-Peterson  
Laurel Senn  
Sierra McWenie  
Lauren Jackson  
Jaylenn Dempsey  
Brooke Atteberry  
Alex Robinson  
Mia Baumunk  
Jade Welty  
Kayla Reuterma  
Nicole Costello  
Justine Figueroa  
Liz Nelson  
Lilly Silva  
Caitlin Pena



**GO OWLS!!!**

Be Safe



There has been a great deal of improvement in safety during drop-off and pick-up. Being safety-minded and respectful, along with the addition of crosswalks, great crossing guards and school zone signs has helped keep everyone safe. **Thank you!**

For those (few) of you who continue to:

- jaywalk across Maryland
- drop your child onto Maryland to "make a run for it" to avoid being tardy

Please stop doing so. **Drivers have difficulty seeing you or worse, your small child crossing alone - particularly drivers exiting the MTA parking lot.** A tardy slip is much better than a terrible accident. Please take care.

## Not too late for November Volunteer Hours!

Please email [daniellevargo@cox.net](mailto:daniellevargo@cox.net) if you would like to help facilitate a

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Art Project,

**TWO Hours ON CAMPUS,  
Monday, November 28th.**

**Please meet in the Parent  
Room at 11:45. Details to  
follow! Thank you!**



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## Health Hoots

from Staci & Meagan, MTA Health Aides (602) 745-4020

Effective communication between the Health Office *and* parents is extremely important in order to help your child in the event of an illness or injury, especially communicable diseases. You may leave a message any time of day/night, even weekends, to update the Health Office with any information we need to be aware of regarding your child. Please make sure the home phone, work and cell numbers on file are the most recent and up to date. Call the main office if any changes are made during the school year.

Proper hand washing is the #1 way to prevent the spread of illness. We understand that it is difficult to miss work, school, and other commitments but there are important guidelines to follow if your child is showing symptoms of illness.

### Sick Child Guidelines: Students should not attend school if:

**The student has a temperature. The student may return to school after having a normal temperature for *at least 24 hours* while **not** taking any fever reducing medications (ex. Tylenol or Motrin).**

**Antibiotics are prescribed.** The student may return to school after taking the antibiotics for a minimum of 24 hours *and* without a temperature over 100 degrees F *for at least 24 hours* without taking any fever reducing medications.

**They seem tired/lethargic, pale, with little appetite, and generally "not him/herself".**

**The student is vomiting.** The student may return to school approximately *24 hours* after symptoms resolve, and is able to tolerate a normal diet.

**The student has diarrhea.** The student may return to school approximately *24 hours* after symptoms resolve, and is able to tolerate a normal diet.

**The student has an undiagnosed rash.** A rash may be indicative of many things, frequently of illnesses that are contagious. Therefore, a student will be excluded from school until a physician evaluates and determines the nature and contagiousness of the rash. A note is required from the physician upon return to school.

**The student has severe cold symptoms, upper respiratory infection, a persistent cough, a runny nose that they cannot manage by themselves &/or contain with tissues, or other symptoms that would interfere with effective school participation.**

**The student is diagnosed with a communicable disease or illness.** (For example, influenza, strep, pneumonia, pertussis, head lice, chicken pox (Varicella), impetigo, pink eye). Please contact your school health associate before sending your child back to school.

**ITEM OF THE WEEK: Cough drops and/or throat drops**



**Staci Motley (MTA Health Aide),**

## ***WHOOOOOOOO ARE YOU?***

### **Where are you from?**

I have lived in Arizona my entire life in the small towns Payson, Snowflake, and Safford. I have lived in Phoenix for the last 15 years.

### **Where did you go to school/college?**

I am currently going to ASU for a Bachelors degree in Psychology and also to Phoenix College for a degree in Nursing.

### **What was your inspiration to become a nurse?**

My original plan was to become a teacher, but I wanted to help others more one-on-one. I love helping people get and stay healthy, and caring for them when they are sick or injured. Working here at MTA I get to do all of that!

### **How long have you been nursing?**

I am still in nursing school but this is my 3rd year as a school Health Associate!

### **What is your favorite thing about nursing?**

I love to help others and make a positive difference in their lives. I want to be the one people talk about when they say "I had the best nurse!"

### **Why did you choose nursing at the elementary/middle school level?**

I get to spend my days with awesome kids and the greatest staff! It's the best job!

### **What do you do when you're not nursing?**

I spend most of my time with my 4 kids, I love to read and watch movies, and I study for school a lot!

### **What are your favorite books?**

I love the Twilight books, Women of the Otherworld series, Sookie Stackhouse series, books by L.J. Smith (and lots more).

### **What is your favorite food?**

Mexican!



## Great Donuts with Dads this morning!!

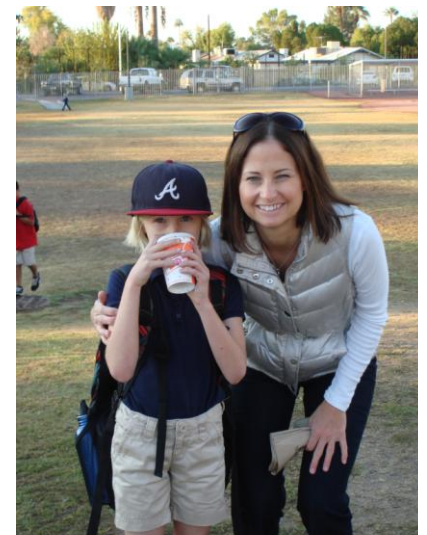
A big thank you to the **Belanger Family** for their generous donation of **Dunkin Donuts** and hot chocolate, and to the **Shafer Family** for the fantastic **Hava Java coffee**. Their donations make "Donuts with Dads" a very fun and successful event for MTA.



Please be sure to visit the Belanger's Dunkin Donuts store located at 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Northern, and Hava Java at 32<sup>nd</sup> St. & Camelback.



Thank you for making our school such a great place,  
MTA families!!!



# Fresh & Easy Shopping Night Success!

Thanks everyone for shopping at Fresh & Easy on Wednesday night. The store was really busy the whole time. We will know in 2 weeks how much we made from the gross sales in the store. We also collected a ton of receipts.



A BIG THANK YOU to our volunteers who helped bag groceries, greet customers, and collect receipts. Mr. Duff, Ms. Venberg, Ms. Sexton, Ms. Weistart and Coach Shiffman had lines of students waiting to be helped at checkout. Even Meg Ingram, Student Council President, and Abby Franklin came out to join the fun!

Fresh & Easy Raffle Winners: Kathy Davison, Ben Longini, Kim McDougall, and Ashley Simpson. They each won a bag of free food from Fresh & Easy.

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## Win prizes valued over \$2500 for you and your school.

Take sixty seconds and help Doozy of a Deal give back to local Arizona schools through our Facebook Doozy of a School Give-Away Contest.

- 1 Go to Doozy of a Deal Facebook page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/doozyofadeal>
- 2 Click the VOTE tab on the left
- 3 Vote for your favorite school
- 4 Subscribe to Doozy of a Deal for great deals and fun contests

Voting starts **Monday, November 7** and ends **Monday, November 21**  
Get on Facebook to vote once a day, everyday.

Logos at the bottom: SES, Mub, Airy Time.

Remember, contest rules state voters can only vote once per day per ISP address.

### Governing Board to Vote on Calendar Options on December 6th:

A few weeks ago, parents district-wide were polled to see if they prefer Option A (start date of August 6<sup>th</sup> with a 2-day Fall Break) or Option B (start date of August 1<sup>st</sup> with a 5-day Fall Break).

This is going to be voted on at the **District Meeting on December 6<sup>th</sup>**. Parents who would like to learn more about this or state their opinions are welcome to attend. The meeting will start at 6:00pm on 12/6 at the Madison School District office.

See forms below to order Fall Logo Items. Be sure to fill out both pages and select which logo you prefer. One form per logo, and keep the pages together (staple, clip, etc).



**MTA**



**PLEASE CIRCLE ABOVE LOGO OF CHOICE**

Use a separate order form for each LOGO

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method  
Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Visa# \_\_\_\_\_ Security # \_\_\_\_\_

For VISA payment  
Name on Card \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address

City \_\_\_\_\_, AZ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed	
Treasurer	
Logo Chair	

PROTAL ITEMS

TOTAL PRICE

**MTA 2011/2012 LOGO ITEM  
SALES/LONG SLEEVE**

Please print and return to student's teacher in an envelope addressed to  
LOGO SALES with your cash/check/visa payable to MTA Guild by Tuesday November 22.  
Orders will be delivered to student's classroom by Friday, December 18.

Youth Long Sleeve Polo's with logo/embroidered \$18.00	White	Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			

Youth Long \$ lee vet-Shirts with logo/screen print \$12.00	White	Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			

Youth Sweatshirt Hooded/Zipper with logo/screen print \$18.00	White	Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			

Youth Athletic Fleece Jacket/Zipper with logo/ embroidered print \$23.00		Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			

Adult Long Sleeve Polo's with logo/embroidered \$20.00	White	Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			

Adult Long Sleeve T-Shirt with logo/screen print \$15.00	White	Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			

Adult Sweatshirt Hooded/Zipper with logo/screen print \$20.00	White	Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			

Adult Athletic Fleece Jacket/Zipper with logo/ embroidered print \$25.00		Red	Navy
Small			
Medium			
Large			
X Large			