Mt. Mahogany News for Rams & Ewes

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Principal's Message

February 2012

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration will be held on Monday, February 6, 2012 from 9:30 – 10:30 in the auditorium for all students who will be attending kindergarten at Mount Mahogany next year. Students must live within Mount Mahogany School boundaries to register. We ask that you please provide proof of residency (i.e. lease agreement, utility bill, pay stub, etc.) when you come to register. *Children do not need to come with you to register*.

A child must be five on or before September 1, 2012, in order to attend kindergarten in the fall. This is a state law and no exceptions can be made. A birth certificate and record of immunizations are required to complete the registration procedure. If you are not the birth or adoptive parent of the child you are registering, you must provide court documentation, at the time of registration, stating that you have *legal guardianship*. Also, if you are not currently married to the child's other biological parent, you must provide court documentation, which states you have *physical legal custody* before the child can be enrolled.

We would appreciate it if you would share this information with neighbors whose oldest child would qualify for kindergarten next year. We look forward to meeting with you on February 6. If you are unable to attend that day please contact the school.

Love and Logic

Also, our school will be providing parents an opportunity to take a five-week course in "Love and Logic". "Love and Logic" is a class designed to assist parents in their communication and listening skills, how to use correct discipline techniques, how to teach responsibility, and how to effectively give choices and consequences. The classes will be held on February 15, 22, 29, March 7 and 14 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. The registration fee for the class is \$25.00 and \$8.00 for the cost of the workbook and materials. If you are interested in taking the class please contact the school at 801-785-8794.

Stake Holder Report

Also, our school's 2011-12 stakeholder report, which provides a thorough definition and perspective of what we value at Mount Mahogany Elementary, is now available on our website for you to see. You can visit our site at: www.mahogany.alpinedistrict.org

Mr. Westover

February Calendar Kindergarten Registration (9:30 am – 10:30 am)	February 6
PTA Movie Fundraiser	February 7
Minimal Day	February 13
SOM Assembly	February 13
Presidents' Day (No School)	February 20
School Storytelling Festival	February 27
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March Calendar	
Second Semester Ends	March 2
Sixth Grade Pre JH Registration	March 6
SOM Assembly	March 12
Sixth Grade Final JH Registration	March 13
Report Cards Sent Home	March 16
Sixth Grade World Fair	March 19
Minimal Day	March 26

6th grade news

The 6th grade has been busy, busy, busy! We have been learning all about planets and space, along with the Moon, Sun, and Seasons. There sure is a lot to learn about out there! We've also learned all about how to make the perfect experiment for the Science Fair! With oral reports, written reports, experiments, and display boards, we barely have time to think about anything else! But, we have made time to learn all about Ancient Greece and the differences between the two city-states, Sparta and Athens. Boy, they sure believed in a lot of gods and goddesses. The Spelling Bee was another big time-consumer this month. The nine 6th grade finalists worked hard studying spelling, along with everything else. CONGRATS to Kenton Ridgeway for winning the Spelling Bee this year! We are more than half way through the school year and still have a lot to learn ©

6th Grade Science Fair Winners:

Earth Science:

1st place - Haley Greer

2nd place - Brandon Ballantyne

3rd place - Michael Nowlin

Physical Science:

1st - Kenton Ridgeway

2nd - Dylan Payne and Aaron Azzarello

2nd - Braydon Jacobs and Spencer Walker

(tie for 2nd place)

3rd - Sam Furniss and Josh Hernandez

Life Science:

1st - Trevor Wakefield and Brett Anderson

1st - Kayla Perez (tie for 1st)

2nd - Matthew Dzubak

3rd - Shaylee Ferrell and Emma Bringhurst

Engineering:

1st - Lucas Ten Bosch

2nd - Tyler Orr

2nd - Jacob Frisby and Connor Swenson (tie for 2nd)

3rd - McKay Giles

3rd - Mason Mayo (tie for 3rd)

Product Testing:

1st - Owen Barnes

2nd - Anna Christopherson and Katie Kinder

3rd - Kody Johnson

3rd - Christina Zavaleta and Emily Fonua

(not going to Science Fair) (tie for 3rd)

All these finalists are going to the District Science Fair except Christina and Emily. Congratulations to all!

5th grade News

For those of us who have been counting; the school year is half way over! We just finished with parent-teacher conferences, which were a huge success. Parent involvement is a huge indicator of academic success. Thanks for your support; we could not do it without you! The 5th grade will be launching into space as we head to the Space Center at Central Elementary the first part of February. We wish our students luck and hope they don't get stranded on another planet. (If that happens we will be sure to notify parents.)

The 5th grade has been preparing diligently for the upcoming "Traveling Show". Performance dates will be the first Monday and Tuesday in April. This will be an exciting event where students have the opportunity to visit different eras through song and dance.

This has already been an amazing year and we are hoping to finish strong. Thanks for your support!

4th grade news

First of all, we can't believe that Valentines Day is just a few weeks away, and that the school year is already half over.

We are moving onto science and have enjoyed water, weather, and rock experiments. We enjoyed a visit from The Living Planate Aquarium, who shared with us a greater understanding of the water cycle and Utah's wetlands. They are a wonderful group who bring tables that demonstrate the water cycle and how we use water.

We are so proud of all the students who participated in this years Spelling Bee. It was wonderful to see our forth grade students doing their best to spell many words that most adults would have trouble with.

We are beginning to study some harder math topics and would like to encourage all of you to be working with your students on their Times Tables. As we move into fractions, advanced multiplication, and advanced division students need a good grasp of basic multiplication.

Thanks for all you did for us each day, and everything you do to support us throughout the year.

Sincerely, The Fourth Grade Teachers

3rd grade news

No Submission

Kindergarten News

We have a lot of fun things going on in Kindergarten in February! February 8th is our 100th Day of School and we are ready to party! We have been counting each day all year and are excited to finally reach 100! We will be talking about dental health this month and a dentist is coming to teach us about taking good care of our teeth. There are a lot of holidays we will celebrate in February, too. We have Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, and President's Day. It is a busy month!

In March, we will celebrate St. Patrick's Day and go on a field trip to Macey's grocery store. Kindergarten is a great place to be!



A Word From Our Student Council

Candygrams (for Valentine's Day) are currently for sale before and after school for 25 cents.

TWO REMAINING MINIMAL DAYS FOR THE SCHOOOL YEAR

"Minimal Day" will be held on Monday, February 13th and Monday, March 26th. The bell schedule for each "Minimal Day" will be as follows:

AM Kindergarten 9:15 am - 11:15 am PM Kindergarten 11:45 am - 1:45 pm Track A 1st - 6th grade Track B 1st - 6th grade 9:15 am - 1:45 pm

2nd grade news

2nd Grade was able to attend a Utah Symphony Concert on Jan. 10th. It was a wonderful concert and a fun field trip. We also just completed another round of science rotations. We are looking forward to more wonderful things such as learning double and triple digit addition, a dental presentation, and Valentine's Day! To celebrate Valentine's Day, please send your child to school with their valentines to share with the class. Also, we will be having class parties that day. And last but not least, please continue to read with your child and help with homework as we enjoy seeing them progress! Thanks for your support.

1st grade news

THANKS to all First Grade parents who attended Parent Teacher conferences. We appreciate your involvement, support, and the time you spend working with your child on first grade skills. Your participation, encouragement and praise are critical to your child's reading and math development. The children are working hard on increasing reading accuracy and fluency, both of which directly affect reading comprehension. Accuracy, fluency, phrasing, expression and comprehension will be a major focus for the rest of the school year. Please continue to listen to your child read at least 15 minutes per night then ask questions and discuss details about what they read.

During February, we will continue our science and social studies rotations. We will also be learning about presidents Washington and Lincoln. We will celebrate 100's day February 1st and we are looking forward to our Valentine's Day parties!

November/December Student of the Month Recognition

The Following students where recognized during the January 23rd Student of the Month Assembly:

Carson Smith	Smith, L AK	K	Mya Suman	Woolf	2
Gracie Macfarlane	Bunting AM	K	Hannah Simister	Dobson	3
Amanda Vanderwel	Naylor PM	K	Skip Ludlow	Rutland	3
Carlie Bowen	Christensen AM	K	Shaylee Anderson	Van Wagenen	3
Trenton Pagliarini	Christensen PM	K	Abby Powell	Van Zant	3
Danielle Moody	Spaulding AM	K	Daisy Rodriguez	Bean	4
Brody Cook	Spaulding PM	K	Kenneth Falgoust	Briggs	4
Sadie Hayes	Christiansen	1	Isabelle Barnes	Hillman	4
Brandon Romo	Glass	1	Jenna Walker	Martin	4
Ariana Adams	Longnecker	1	Tanner Hughes	Crowton	5
Calvin Nielson	Nielsen	1	Sadie Beck	Dominguez	5
Ethan Swenson	Pack	1	MaKayla Conrad	Lindley	5
Spencer Wright	Smith, V	1	Bridger Carson	Miner	6
Nate Anderson	Leavitt	2	Susan Falgoust	Anderson	6
Cambree Fox	McClure	2	Bryson Goodrich	McAllister	6
Taylor Price	Olson	2	McKay Giles	Sumsion	6
Ryler Olson	Valdez	2			

Congratulations!

Congratulations to all of our Class Spelling Bee Finalists who participated in our Fourth Annual Mount Mahogany School Spelling Bee Competition on Friday, January 27th

4th grade Mrs. Bean Joshua Winder Travis Burkett Benjamin Haderlie

Mrs. Hillman Luisina Martinez Austin Greenberg Kathryn Stevenson

5th grade Mr. Crowton Josh Bishop Lily Steel Zach May

Mrs. Lindley Kelsey Manning Seth Sumsion Brayden Anderson 4th Grade
Mr. Briggs
Rebecca Manning
Jessica Hardy

Rebecca Mannin
Jessica Hardy
Emily Felt

Mrs. Martin

Ammon Swenson

Bryant Price

Noah Lewis

5th Grade
Mr. Dominguez
Joel Ramos
Lily Bringhurst
Ian Walker

Mr. Miner Nicholas Thomson Bridger Carson Samantha Smalling 6th Grade Mrs. McCallister Caitlyn Lamb

Logan McNatt Spencer Walker

Mrs. Anderson Kenton Ridgeway Candee Childress Josh Hernandez

Mrs. Sumsion Shaylee Harris Brandon Ballantyne Connor Stevenson

WINNERS Kenton Ridgeway (1st) Brayden Anderson (2nd) Lily Steel (3rd)

We would also like to CONGRATULATE, <u>KENTON RIDGEWAY</u>, WINNER of the Mount Mahogany Spelling Bee Competition. Kenton will go on to compete in the Utah Valley Regional Spelling Bee Competition at VIVINT in Provo Riverwoods on Saturday, March 17th at 9:00 am. In addition, we would like to thank the PTA, Candice Young, Mr. Miner, Mr. Briggs, and Mrs. Stevenson for their coordinated efforts in hosting the spelling bee competition.

Mt. Mahogany Fundraiser of the Year!

Tuesday, February 7th ANY SHOW - ALL DAY – JUST SAY





The value of your ticket price will be donated to the PTA. Bring your family, your friends, your neighbors, anybody!

Mount Mahogany School Spelling Bee

The Spelling Bee this year was very exciting. It came down to a spell off between 5th grader **Brayden Anderson** from Mrs. Lindley's class and 6th Grader **Kenton Ridgeway** from Mrs. Anderson's class. The final correct speller was **Kenton Ridgeway** spelling *Literati* which means: a class of people given to study, reflection and speculation. The spectators and participants were very respectful and encouraging. A big congratulation to all the Spelling Bee participants, and Mount Mahogany's 2012 winner **Kenton Ridgeway**.

Submitted by Candice Young, Spelling Bee Coordinator

We would like to say Thank you to all our <u>WONDERFUL</u> teachers and parent volunteers who helped provide assistance with the January SEP Parent/Teacher Conference.

A **NEW** facebook page has been established for the 2011-2012 school year. (Please note that "Mount Mahogany PTA" is no longer active on facebook). To stay updated on upcoming school and PTA events "Like" us on Facebook at "Mt Mahogany PTA".

Health and Safety week Feb. 21st-24th

Tuesday is Drug Awareness Day and we want everyone to wear red. Wear red shirts, coats, hair accessories, or whatever you have. Red is the color that shows that you want to be a part of the fight against drugs. We will have a treat for all the students to have at the end of the day. This is also the day that you are supposed to bring your anti drug posters and anti bully posters to the school to be put in the hallways for the week. Posters need to be at the school on **Tuesday or Wednesday only**. Anyone who does a poster will be put into a drawing for a bike that will be given at the assembly on Friday. All students who do a poster will receive a prize for participating, so get your poster done and bring it to school Tuesday or Wednesday.

Wednesday is Crazy Hair Day or Crazy Sock Day. Wear your hair crazy or get out those crazy looking socks to show your individuality, and to show that **everyone is different and that is okay**. Be unique, be different, and be proud of who you are as a person. This is what makes the world a fun place to live.

Thursday is Wear your fitness clothes or sports jersey because it is Health and Fitness Day. Make sure you **eat your fruits and veggies at lunch** and you might get a **special prize** from a special guest at lunch time. Eating healthy is very important and eating fruits and vegetables is a great way to be healthy. Eat them everyday to be healthy your whole life. Put those chips and fries down and pick up an apple. We will also be having a **fitness boot camp at lunch time** so eat your lunch and then come out for an awesome 5 minute workout "army boot camp" style. There will be a **healthy treat** for those who come to the boot camp and can complete the exercises.

Friday is **Wear your hat day** to remind you to **wear a helmet**. We will also be having an assembly this day that reminds us why it is so important to wear our helmets, learn about a drug cop and his dog, and ways to be healthy.

Reflections winners

We were well represented at the council Reflections awards night. Of the 19 entries that we were able to send on to Council, 13 of them received awards.

Olivia Adamson- Visual Arts
Lilyanna Steel- Visual Arts
Sam Haynie- Literature
Supriya Bollers- Literature
Lilyanna Steel- Literature
Caleb Price- 3-D
Sam Haynie- 3-D
Seth Sumsion- 3-D
Baylor Payne- 3-D
Rachel Naylor- Film Production
Desiree Adams- Dance Choreography
Breanna Hasson- Dance Choreography
MaKenna Dunn- Photography

Well done Rams. Thank you for your participation and have fun with next year's theme: "The Magic of the Moment..."

Crosswalk Safety Awareness

Recently there was an occurrence at the school crosswalk located on 1300 West and 1100 North where a speeding motorist failed to yield to school children and the crossing guard who were in the crosswalk. According to the Utah Driver Handbook, "Pedestrians have the right-of-way at intersections, whether or not the crosswalks are marked by painted white lines. You must yield when a pedestrian is on or near the half of the roadway you are traveling. Vehicles turning right or left must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians who are in the marked or unmarked crosswalk within the intersection. Use caution where children may be present." To ensure the safety of our children we ask that all motorists please, please obey the traffic laws by yielding correctly; **Do** NOT enter the crosswalk with your vehicle if children OR the crossing guard are in the crosswalk. Thank You.



New to our school this year we are participating in the Maceys Pleasant Grove School Cents Program. Simply save your Pleasant Grove Maceys grocery receipts, make sure receipts are dated after May 1st 2011, cut off all payment information below the total sales price (including your gas rewards), put your child's name and teacher on the back of the receipt, and turn receipt into your child's teacher. The class with the most receipts will earn a monthly party thrown by Maceys. Maceys will also give the school back 1% of all total receipts that have been collected throughout the year up to \$500.00! The school with the most receipts will receive an extra \$100 incentive.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



This year we have made a goal to reach \$1,914 in Box Tops. So far we have met 85% percent of our goal with a total \$1,625 earned (yay!). We brought in a total of 9,490 boxtops for the months of October, November and December (6,370 boxtops in October, and 3,120 boxtops in November/ December). We would like to congratulate Mrs. Woolf's class who won the boxtop piñata, at the Student of the Month Assembly on January 23rd, for having the most November /December boxtop submissions with a total of 493 boxtops.

Help us meet our goal by turning in your Box Tops each week. Just cut out each box top and turn them in to your child's teacher to earn classroom rewards and incentives. There are also new ways to earn boxtops online at boxtops4education.com by watching video clips, playing games and entering drawings. Each Box Top submission you earn helps to raise money for educational programs and activities at our school.