

Manzanita Dragongram



2017-2018
A Tradition of Excellence
since 1963

December

Arizona Tax Credits

Your donations are appreciated! Please consider making a donation - up to \$400 for a married couple. Your donation helps fund our field trips and after-school programs like: band, choir, tutoring, and chess. Thank you!

Lost and Found

Please be sure to check our Lost and Found. All unclaimed items will be donated at the end of December.

Boy and Girl Scouts

If your child has a Boy or Girl Scout meeting after school, he or she may come to school in uniform for the day. A KUSD shirt will not be required.



Some Words from Mr. Taylor

FIVE SCIENCE-BACKED STUDY DO'S AND DON'TS

- 1. CAP STUDY SESSIONS AT 30 MINUTES**—Studying is most effective in small spurts of twenty to thirty-minute study sessions, especially over a period of a few weeks.
- 2. CONSTRUCT GOALS**—If your child has a due date, help him/her learn how to complete part of it each day. Books can be divided into sections so that due dates are met.
- 3. HAVE YOUR CHILD TEACH IT TO YOU**—Tutors have a certain advantage over their peers. When the brain needs to turn its gears and teach, it formats information in a more logical way. This helps your child learn.
- 4. DEDICATE SPACE AND TIME FOR STUDYING** Designating a space exclusively for studying improves study performance. Also, collect all of the tools necessary for studying beforehand to remove any hurdles or distractions.
- 5. CUT THE MUSIC, TELEVISION, AND PHONE**—Studies have confirmed that children who study without music, television, or the distractions of a phone absorb information better. If you really want to play music, other research has shown classical music helps people study.

IMPORTANT DATES

December 5-7
Candy Cane Grams Sold

December 7
Unisource Bright Students Presentation
for Fourth Grade

First Grade Music Concert 2:00 and 6:00

December 11
Spirit Day
Wear an Ugly Christmas or Holiday
Sweater.

December 12
Manzanita Marketplace
1:40 for Session 1
2:20 for Session 2

Manzanita Moms and Dragon Dads
Meeting at 5:30

December 14
Popcorn Day

December 15
Friday School (Fundamental Friday)
8:00-11:30 a.m.

December 16
Manzanita Chess Tournament
at 8:00 a.m.

December 18
Santa Visits Manzanita

Candy Cane Grams Delivered

December 19
Movie Day

December 20
Minimum Attendance 7:50-12:15

Papa Murphy's Fundraiser for
Manzanita School

December 21
Minimum Attendance 7:50-12:15

End of Grading Period

December 22 to January 7
Winter Break