

Senita Valley Elementary

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Home of the Mustangs!

Spirit's School News

Weekly Communicator for Parents & Student

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August 29th- September 2nd, 2016

Monday 8/29	Tuesday 8/30	Wednesday 8/31	Thursday 9/1	Friday 9/2
 <p><i>Sale ENDS TODAY</i></p>		<p><i>Half Day!</i></p>  <p><i>Dismissal at 12:00 PM</i></p> <p><i>No After-School Clubs</i></p>		
<p><i>Band- Beginning</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (4-5th) RVMS Music Room</p> <p><i>Colt Cheer Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (2-5th) Room #306</p> <p><i>Guitar</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (4-5th) SVE Music Room</p> <p><i>Kind Kids Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (K-2nd) Room #403</p> <p><i>Mad Science Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (2-5th) Room #401</p> <p><i>Mustang Milers</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (K-5th) on the field</p> <p><i>Orchestra- Accelerated</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (4-5th) RVMS MPR Stage</p> <p><i>The Language Project</i> 2:45-3:45 PM, #210</p> <p><i>Cub Scouts Pack 711</i> 6:15-8:15 PM, MPR</p>	<p><i>Adventures in Clay</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (4-5th) Room #210</p> <p><i>Choir- Primary</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (1-2nd) SVE Music Room</p> <p><i>Culture Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (4-5th) Room # 309</p> <p><i>Girls on the Run</i> 2:45-4:00 PM (3-5th) Steps to the field</p> <p><i>Nature Beautification Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (2-5th) Room # 301</p> <p><i>Orchestra- Accelerated</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (4-5th) RVMS MPR Stage</p> <p><i>Phonics Power Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (1-2nd) Room # 422</p> <p><i>STEM Club</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (3-5th) Room # 502</p> <p><i>Chess Mentors</i> 5:15-6:15 PM, #306</p>	<p><i>TGA- Tennis</i> 2:45-3:45 PM, BBCourt</p>	<p><i>Orchestra- Accelerated</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (4-5th) RVMS MPR Stage</p> <p><i>Library CLOSED</i> From 2:45-4:00 PM Teacher's Meeting</p> <p><i>KidzArt</i> 3:00-4:00 PM, #210</p> <p><i>Bricks 4 Kids</i> 2:45-3:45 PM, #306</p> <p><i>TGA- Golf</i> 2:45-3:45 PM, Field</p>	<p><i>Girls on the Run</i> 2:45-4:00 PM (3-5th) Steps to the field</p> <p><i>The Language Project</i> 2:45-4:15 PM, #306</p>

- ❖ **Entertainment Books- Ends on Monday, 29th**- This is an annual Vail Education Foundation (VEF) fundraiser. Books sell for \$30 each. A flyer and collection envelope went home with students on Friday, August 5th. All money and orders are due by Monday, August 29th. **Books will be sent home at the end of the sale.** Thank you for your support!
- ❖ **Half-day- Wednesday, August 31st**
 - Students dismiss at 12:00 PM on half-days.
 - Please note that *ALL kindergarteners* attend school from 7:55-12:00 PM.

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- ❖ **NO SCHOOL!**- Monday, September 5th- Labor Day!
- ❖ **Benchmark Testing-** September 6th-16th. Benchmarks are tests that measure quarterly concepts taught. Benchmarks are given in math and reading in grades 2nd-5th and in writing for grades K-5th. Results will be sent with Quarter 1 report cards. Please make sure your child gets a good night's rest and has a nutritious breakfast. A detailed schedule will be in your child's classroom newsletter.
- ❖ **Monthly PTSA General Meeting-** Wednesday, September 7th at 4:00 PM in the library. All welcome.
- ❖ **5th Annual Family MUDventure-** Friday, September 9th from 5:00-7:00 PM. *All for mud, mud for all.* This event is for the entire family. *See attached flyer for detailed information!*
- ❖ **PTSA Fall Book Fair-** September 12th-16th- **Bookaneer Book Fair-** *Ahoy Bookaneers! What arrggh you reading?*
The book fair hours in the library are:
 - Before and after school everyday (7:30-7:55 AM & 2:45-3:30 PM)
 - Closed before school on Monday, Sept. 12th for teacher preview
 - Open till 7:00 PM on Thursday, Sept. 15th
- ❖ **Jr. Achievement Volunteer Training Dates-** This will be the time that returning volunteers can pick up their kits. If you have questions, please contact Kaite Swoger at 879-3156 or swogerk@vailschooldistrict.org
 - Tuesday, September 13th from 6:00-7:00 PM in classroom 402
 - Tuesday, September 20th from 6:00-7:00 PM in classroom 402
- ❖ **Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences-** Thursday, September 15th & Friday, September 16th.
Dismissal is at 12:00 PM. Be watching for a flyer and/or an email regarding online conference scheduling.
- ❖ **1st Grade Bat Events-**
 - Bat Night on Wednesday, September 21st (time yet to be determined based on sunset)
 - Batty Breakfast on Friday, September 23rd from 8:00-9:00 AM in each 1st grade classroom
- ❖ **5th Grade Music Program-** Thursday, September 22nd at 7:00 PM in the MPR.
- ❖ **1st of 3 Box Tops Contest-** 1st Contest Deadline is Friday, September 23rd Start saving those Box Tops! Classes with the most Box Tops collected will win a prize! Please make sure all Box Tops are identified with the teacher's name.

Front Office Notes

- ❖ **When your child is absent** please contact the front office at 879-3102. You may inform the teacher, but please also inform the front office. **It is your responsibility to notify the office when your child is absent and give the reason for your child's absence or the absence will remain unexcused.** (Per policy on page 5 in our family handbook.) After 5 unexcused absences or 7 unexcused tardies (3 unexcused tardies equals one unexcused absence) a "**School Truancy Warning Letter**" is mailed informing parents/guardians of their child's' attendance concerns.
- ❖ **Reverse Tardy Policy-** Senita Valley takes tardies and absence seriously. In addition to tracking morning tardiness, we also monitor early release, referred to as a reverse tardy. Students who are checked out before 2:45 PM (or 12:00 PM on a half day) from school without a valid excuse will receive consequences mirroring our standard tardy policy. Medical appointments, school-sponsored events, student illness, behavioral consequences, and other valid excuses will be excused.
- ❖ **Parking Concerns-** **Be a positive example for your children and others by following school rules.**
 - The drop-off & pick-up zones along the north and west parking lots should have continuous movement as children are dropped-off or picked-up. Please pull forward once the car in front of you leaves.
 - **PLEASE do not leave your car unattended in the drop-off/pick-up zones.**
 - We encourage our students to use the crosswalk in the parking lot instead of walking between cars.
 - Do not park in a handicap spot unless you have a permit. Police can fine violators up to \$500.
 - When driving on Bilby Road, do not enter a school crossing zone when a crossing guard is present with their stop sign up.
 - THANK YOU to the parents that are following the rules and setting a good example.