

# Senita Valley Elementary

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Home of the Mustangs!

## Spirit's School News

Weekly Communicator for Parents & Student

School Web Site: [sve.vail.k12.az.us](http://sve.vail.k12.az.us) (no www)

August 29<sup>th</sup> - September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

Monday 9/5	Tuesday 9/6	Wednesday 9/7	Thursday 9/8	Friday 9/9
 <p><b>LABOR DAY</b> No School!</p>	<p><i>Benchmark Testing</i></p>  <p><b>DREAM IT BELIEVE IT ACHIEVE IT</b> On The Test</p>	<p><i>Benchmark Testing</i></p>  <p><b>Yes I Can Do My Best</b> On The Test</p>		<p><b>MUDventure!</b> 5:00-7:00 PM \$5 per person at the gate</p>
<p><b>NO SCHOOL!</b></p>	<p><i>Adventures in Clay</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (4-5<sup>th</sup>) Room #210</p> <p><i>Choir- Primary</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (1-2<sup>nd</sup>) SVE Music Room</p> <p><i>Culture Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (4-5<sup>th</sup>) Room # 309</p> <p><i>Girls on the Run</i> 2:45-4:00 PM (3-5<sup>th</sup>) Steps to the field</p> <p><i>Nature Beautification Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (2-5<sup>th</sup>) Room # 301</p> <p><i>Orchestra- Accelerated</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (4-5<sup>th</sup>) RVMS MPR Stage</p> <p><i>Phonics Power Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (1-2<sup>nd</sup>) Room # 422</p> <p><i>STEM Club</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (3-5<sup>th</sup>) Room # 502</p> <p><i>Village Gardeners</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (3-5<sup>th</sup>) Room #201</p> <p><i>Chess Mentors</i> 5:15-6:15 PM, #306</p>	<p><b>PTSA MEETING</b> 4:00 PM in Library</p> <p><i>Art Smart Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (Q1-5<sup>th</sup>) Room # 305</p> <p><i>Band- Accelerated</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (4-5<sup>th</sup>) RVMS Music Room</p> <p><i>Choir/Bells- Advanced</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (3-5<sup>th</sup>) SVE Music Room</p> <p><i>NO 1-2<sup>nd</sup> Coders Club</i></p> <p><i>Coders Club</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (4-5<sup>th</sup>) Room #302</p> <p><i>Kind Kids Club</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (3-5<sup>th</sup>) Room #403</p> <p><i>KSVE Broadcast</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (5<sup>th</sup>) Library</p> <p><i>Mustang Milers</i> 2:45-3:30 PM (K-5<sup>th</sup>) on the field</p> <p><i>Orchestra- Beginning</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (3-5<sup>th</sup>) RVMS MPR Stage</p> <p><i>STEM Club</i> 2:45-3:45 PM (1-2<sup>nd</sup>) Room # 502</p> <p><i>TGA- Tennis</i> 2:45-3:45 PM, BBCourt</p>	<p><i>Orchestra- Accelerated</i> 2:50-4:00 PM (4-5<sup>th</sup>) RVMS MPR Stage</p> <p><b>Library CLOSED</b> 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 (3-5<sup>th</sup>) Steps to the field</p> <p><i>The Language Project</i> 2:45-4:15 PM #306 &amp; #210</p>

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- ❖ **Benchmark Testing- September 6<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>.** Benchmarks are tests that measure quarterly concepts taught. Benchmarks are given in math and reading in grades 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> and in writing for grades K-5<sup>th</sup>. 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 7<sup>th</sup>** at 4:00 PM in the library. All welcome.
- ❖ **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Family MUDventure- Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** from 5:00-7:00 PM. *All for mud, mud for all.* This event is for the entire family. *Detailed flyer and registration form available online at [sve.vail.k12.az.us](http://sve.vail.k12.az.us).*
- ❖ **PTSA Fall Book Fair- September 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> - Bookaneer Book Fair- Ahooy 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. 12<sup>th</sup> for teacher preview
  - Open till 7:00 PM on Thursday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ **Jr. Achievement Volunteer Training Dates-** This will be the time that returning volunteers can pick up their kits. If you have questions, please contact Kaitie Swoger at 879-3156 or [swogerk@vailschooldistrict.org](mailto:swogerk@vailschooldistrict.org)
  - **Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00-7:00 PM in classroom 402
  - **Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00-7:00 PM in classroom 402
- ❖ **Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences- Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> & Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.**  
*Dismissal is at 12:00 PM.* Be watching for a flyer and/or an email regarding online conference scheduling.
- ❖ **1<sup>st</sup> Grade Bat Events-**
  - Bat Night on **Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>** (time yet to be determined based on sunset)
  - Batty Breakfast on **Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 8:00-9:00 AM in each 1<sup>st</sup> grade classroom
- ❖ **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Program- Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 7:00 PM in the MPR.
- ❖ **1<sup>st</sup> of 3 Box Tops Contest- 1<sup>st</sup> Contest Deadline is Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** 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.