



J.G. Johnson Elementary School

Mustang Minutes

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Upcoming Events

September 6	Labor Day (No School)
September 7-10	NWEA Tests (Grades 1-5)
September 13	Picture Day
September 17	Dress Like A Pirate Day & Progress Reports Go Out
September 23	Treat Day
September 24	Inservice (No School)
September 30	Kona Ice



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Assistant Principal's Message

Happy September, Mustang Families!

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who came to our Open House event in August. We loved seeing all of the support from families and our community! We have family events planned once a month, so please keep an eye out for other opportunities to join and connect with us!

It is hard to believe that we are already a month into the school year. While this year has brought back some of the normalcy that we had all hoped for, it has also brought on some unique challenges. We truly appreciate the patience and grace that you, our Mustang Families, have offered us as we adapt, make changes, and forge ahead on this journey.

I am proud to be starting my 2nd year as your Assistant Principal, and look forward to many more years serving your children, your families, and our community. I want J.G. to be a school that everyone is proud to be a part of; a school that challenges our students and our staff to grow and to be better than we were the day before.

Having grown up in Pahrump, I know the importance that our schools and community play in the lives of our young people, and I endeavor to support your children and your families as we learn and grow together.

As we move forward, please take care of yourselves and your family. Your wellbeing is very important to us, and we appreciate you being part of our Mustang community.

Sylvia DeMasi
Assistant Principal



NWEA Testing

NWEA MAP testing started this week for 1st -5th graders!

This test is important because it helps the school keep track of student progress and growth throughout the school year. It lets teachers know where a student's strengths are and if help is needed in any specific areas. Teachers use this information to help them guide intervention and instruction in the classroom.

Our next NWEA testing will take place in December.

Picture Day

When:
Wednesday, September 13th

Payment Methods:
Online, Check, Cash

Retakes:
Absent or forgot it was picture day?
Retakes will be November 3rd

Please Dojo your child's teacher if they have money for pictures or if you paid online.



Speak Like A Pirate Day

We will be celebrating Speak Like A Pirate Day on September 17th!

Students can dress up like a pirate and will be enjoying pirate themed activities and guest readers throughout the day!

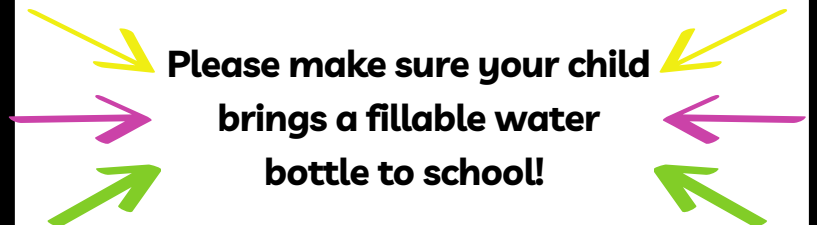


Hydration Stations



Check out the new water fountains that were installed over the summer. They are touchless and the students are loving them!

Please make sure your child brings a fillable water bottle to school!



School Expectations

RESPECT *yourself*

RESPECT *Others*

RESPECT *Property*



Treat Day!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Per NCSD nutritional regulations, treats must be limited to once a month. Therefore, once a month J.G. Johnson will be holding a "Treat Day." Teachers will send out notifications via Dojo and you are welcome to bring in store-purchased treats on that day if your child has a birthday that month.

Treat Day is scheduled for:
September 23rd!

COVID Symptoms

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea



COVID Guidelines

- **If your child is sick, please keep them home.**
- Masks are required for adults on campus and recommended for students
- If a child has COVID-like symptoms, you will be asked to pick them up from school.
- Schools are required to follow CDC guidelines when students or staff are symptomatic, when exposures to COVID positives occur, and when presumed positive cases occur.



Student Progress



We encourage parents to check in on their student's grades and progress on a weekly basis. Access the Infinite Campus parent portal and sign up to be notified when grades are posted!

1st Quarter Grades

Progress Reports: September 17th

Report Cards & Parent Conferences: October 19th

9/11

On the 20th Anniversary of September 11, 2001, we take a moment to honor the victims of this tragedy, as well as the first responders and volunteers who displayed acts of selflessness and heroism.



Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday
9:00am - 4:00pm

School Day for Students
Doors Open 9:05am
Dismissal 3:15pm



Counselor's Corner



Dear Parents,

Parents and families are an integral part of instilling a "Growth Mindset" in students. Please help your child to be persistent and to develop self talk that encourages new learning. The way your child talks to themselves makes a huge impact on their mindset. If they have a "fixed mindset", they tell themselves "This is too hard," or, "I can't do this." Give them the words to say that model a growth mindset, such as, "I can't do this yet", or, "With practice, I will be able to do this."

Growth Mindset: How You Can Help Your Child

Talk about it. Ask them about their day with questions like: What did you learn? What was difficult? Did you make mistakes? Were you able to figure out what you did incorrectly?

Praise the process. Instead of saying, "You're so smart," reinforce the persistence, the effort, being creative, and getting through the challenges of the day. "Wow. You must have worked really hard on this."

The brain can grow. Remind your child that their intelligence is not fixed. Help them to understand that when their brain struggles through new information, their brain grows. Each time they learn something new, their brain makes connections.

Encourage through failure. Your child needs to understand that failure happens, mistakes happen. Each time they fail and try again, their brain improves. It is important that they learn and persevere through challenges.

-Ms. Gardner