



# TIGER PRIDE POST

Monthly news from  
Vista del Sur Accelerated Academy

**March 2024**

## **Principal's Note**

It's March and we're gearing up for spring. No surprise our Arizona weather has already been very unpredictable. Please make sure your child/children are dressed for the season. Remember it's always a good idea to label jackets, lunchboxes, etc, so items can be returned when misplaced. As always, please check our lost and found for any missing or misplaced items.

I hope you all have a wonderful and restful Spring Break!

Sincerely

Mrs. Epacs



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## Upcoming Events

- Friday, March 1st  
Student of the Month Breakfast, 7:30 am
- March 4th - March 8th  
Read Across America Week
- Monday, March 4th  
Art Club, 3:30 pm  
Fine Arts Club, 3:30  
MESA Engineering
- Tuesday, March 5th  
Girls on the Run, 3:30 pm  
Art Club, 3:30  
Girls Basketball @ Cash, 4:30 pm
- Wednesday, March 6th  
Half Day Release @ 12:00  
5th - 8th Grade Musical March
- Thursday, March 7th  
MESA Engineering, 3:30 pm  
Chess, 3:30 pm  
Girls on the Run, 3:30  
E-Sports, 3:30 pm  
Basketball & Flag Football Game @ Vista, 4:30 pm
- March 11th - March 15th  
Spring Break No School
- Monday, March 18th  
Art Club, 3:30 pm  
Fine Arts Club, 3:30 pm  
MESA Engineering
- Tuesday, March 19th  
Girls on the Run, 3:30 pm  
Art Club, 3:30 pm
- Wednesday, March 20th  
Site Council Meeting, 5:30 pm  
PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Thursday, March 21st  
E-Sports, 3:30 pm  
Girls on the Run, 3:30 pm  
Chess Club, 3:30 pm  
MESA Engineering, 3:30 pm  
Basketball & Flag Football Game @ Vista, 4:30 pm  
Campus Tour, 3:30 pm
- Friday, March 22nd  
Color Fun Run  
Student Council \$1 Dress Down  
Student Council Dance, 6th - 8th Grade,  
5:00 pm - 7:00
- Monday, March 25th  
Art Club, 3:30 pm  
Fine Arts Club, 3:30 pm  
MESA Engineering, 3:30 pm  
Basketball & Flag Football Game @ Trailside, 4:30 pm
- Tuesday, March 26th  
Girls on the Run, 3:30 pm  
Art Club, 3:30 pm
- Wednesday, March 27th  
Half Day Release @ 12:00pm
- Thursday, March 28th  
E-Sports, 3:30 pm  
Girls on the Run, 3:30 pm  
Chess Club, 3:30 pm  
MESA Engineering, 3:30 pm  
Basketball & Flag Football Game @ Vista, 4:30 pm
- Friday, March 29th  
Lifetouch Spring and Group Pictures  
Student Council Blood Drive, 9:00 am - 1:00pm



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## What' s Happening in Specials?

### **Band**

The band is in honor band season. Southern AZ Honor band was held on Saturday, February 17, at Flowing Wells High School (Tucson, AZ). The following students participated: Kylie (flute), Krispin (clarinet), Ben, (trumpet), Ezri (percussion), Trisha (flute), Nathaniel (alto saxophone), Evie (horn), Zane (tuba), Mya (flute), Maritza (clarinet), Khieve (alto saxophone). On March 2, Trisha (7th grade flute) will also participate in the All-State honor band.

### **PE**

As we close the 3rd quarter we are extremely excited to be holding our yearly Field Day activities on March 7th-8th. The schedule for those two days are below:

- K-2: Friday March 8th 9:00-11:00 am
- 3-5: Thursday March 7th 12:30-2:30 pm
- 6-8: Thursday March 7th 9:00-11:00 am

This is a fun opportunity for our students and we really appreciate all of the donations and volunteers that contributed to help make this day happen.



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### **ART**

Kindergarten all the way through 8th grade has created artwork for Art to Remember! Art to Remember is a unique fundraising program that gives you the opportunity to purchase keepsake items with your child's artwork on them. The best part is that every keepsake order supports our school. Order forms are scheduled to arrive at the school no later than March 27th. Make sure to keep an eye on parent square for reminders and updates!

The 5th-8th grade Art club is so excited for the mural we are painting in the school! Our club officers worked together to plan a mural for the entire art club to paint and bring to life during our weekly club meetings. Art club will begin painting the mural next week, and we will have a grand reveal at Family Art Night on April 23rd! Family Art Night is going to be a school wide event by Art Club. Our goal is to bring families together by making art! More information to come.



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### **Music**

Kinder and 1st grade will be learning the difference between loud and soft and fast and slow in music terminology. 2nd grade will be learning how to read music notation. 3rd grade is beginning to play recorders focusing on the first three notes, BAG. 4th grade is learning about chords and harmony using string instruments. 5th-8th grade will be finalizing their performance for their spring show of Aladdin on March 6th at 5:00 in the gym, admission is free.



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### **Spanish**

kindergartens will work on writing and saying numbers from 1-30. They will pay special attention to pronunciation. 1st grade will continue working on grammatical gender and number. They will also explore the structure of simple sentences. 2nd grade will learn new prepositions to indicate location. To do so, they will use the vocabulary about the city they are currently learning. 3rd grade will work on descriptions and 4th grade will learn the difference between verbs "ser" and "estar" (both verbs mean "to be"). 5th grade will start Unit 4 and they will learn and reflect about their academic future. 6th grade will finish their unit about Latin food and they will start a new unit where they will explore and discuss cultural legends. Finally, 7th and 8th grade will start a unit about the universe.



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## Volunteer Hours

Total Families: 605

Number of Families that have completed their hours:  
177 (29%)

Number of families that have completed some hours:  
155 (26%)

Families with no hours: 273 (45%)

Our goal is to have 100% of our Vista Families complete their required 7 hours. Families, please remember our Vista student/parent handbook states: At least one adult from each family that enrolls their child at Vista del Sur Accelerated Academy is expected to volunteer a minimum of seven hours for the school year. As a reminder, volunteer hours may be earned at classroom and school functions, as well as things done at home. Here are just a few ideas to help you get involved at Vista.



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## Girls Basketball/Football Schedule Games start at 4:30p.m.

**Tuesday, March 5th at Cash**

**Thursday, March 7th at Vista**

**Thursday, March 21st at Vista**

**Monday, March 25th at Trailside**

**Thursday, March 28th at Vista**

**Monday, April 1st at Laveen**



### Bus Passes

All bus riders must present their bus pass/student identification badge when they board and exit the bus.





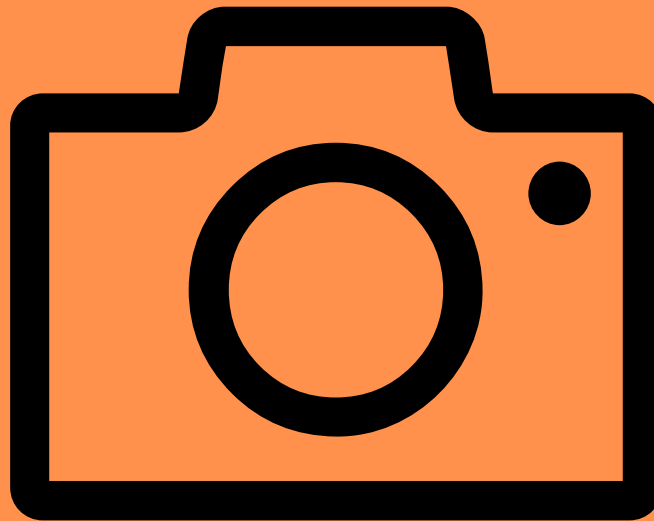
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## **Lifetouch Spring/Class Group Pictures**

**Friday, March 29, 2024**



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