

THE DODGE DISPATCH

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Dates to Remember:

Orchestra/Band Concert	3/6
8th Grade Field Trip to the Renaissance Festival	3/6
Spring Dance	3/13
Grading Day—NO SCHOOL	3/14
SPRING BREAK — NO SCHOOL	3/17 to 3/21
PAC Meeting 6 pm	3/24
Site Council 4 pm	3/26
AZ Pizza Fundraiser 4-9 pm	3/27

AWARDS ASSEMBLY



We will hold our third quarter award assembly on Friday, March 28th at 2:50 pm in the Dodge Traditional Magnet Middle School Cafeteria. Parents are invited to come and see students receive certificates for Gold, Silver, and Gold Honor Roll. We will honor student with perfect attendance as well as students selected for the

Kind Campus student of the month. Grade level teams will also draw for gift cards for students during the awards assembly.

PASTA FOR PENNIES

Dodge will wind up the Pasta of Pennies campaign on Friday, March 7, 2014. We joined with 27,000 schools nationwide in the *Pasta for Pennies* program to help people who are sick with blood cancers, like leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma. Thank you to all of our students and their families for all of your donations to this worthy cause. The Builder's Club will announce the winning home base who will receive a Spaghetti dinner from the Olive Garden for the entire class.



"Cut my pie into four pieces; I don't think I could eat eight."

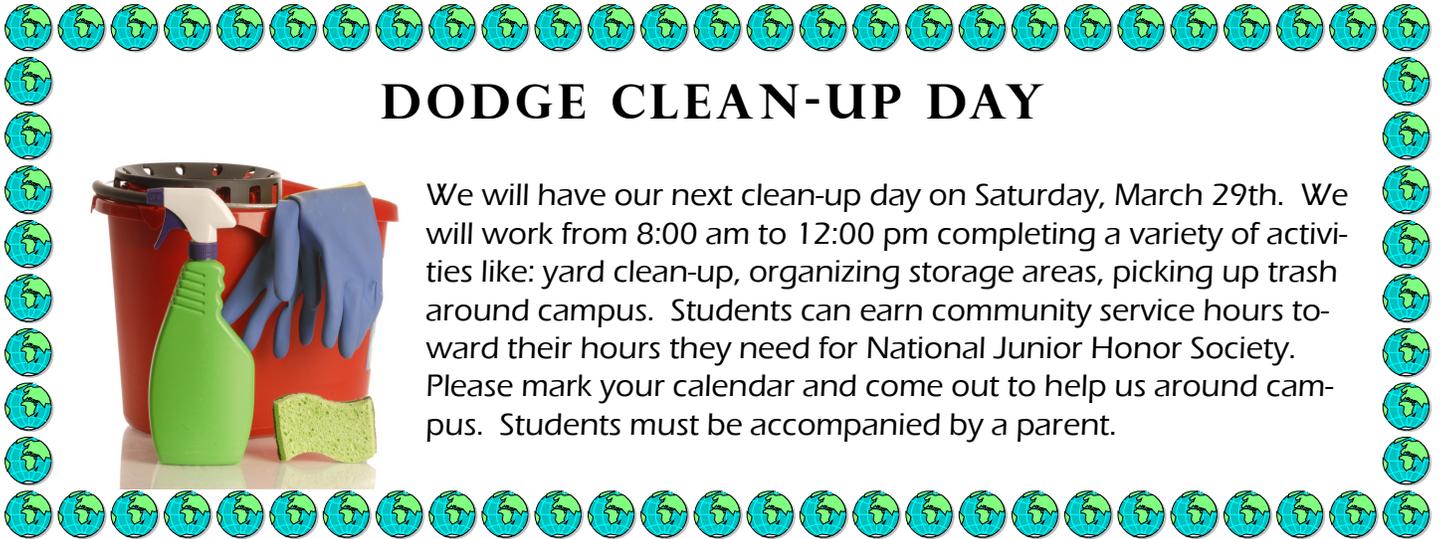
- Yogi Berra

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COSTCO FUNDRAISER

PAC will hold a COSTCO Fundraiser on Saturday, March 8, 2014 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Students will take home a flyer and wish list for the Costco Event. We will receive a ream of paper for every \$55.00 of sales made by Dodge. You can also pick up items off the wish list to be donated to the school. Please tell your friends and family that we need them to come out and support Dodge PAC at this event.



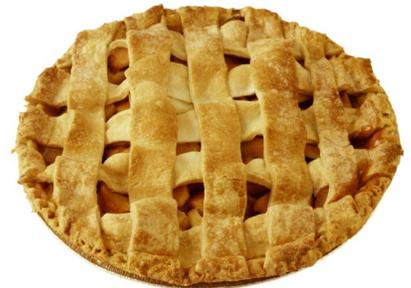
DODGE CLEAN-UP DAY



We will have our next clean-up day on Saturday, March 29th. We will work from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm completing a variety of activities like: yard clean-up, organizing storage areas, picking up trash around campus. Students can earn community service hours toward their hours they need for National Junior Honor Society. Please mark your calendar and come out to help us around campus. Students must be accompanied by a parent.

π DAY

March 14th is Pi Day. π is the mathematical constant which is the ratio of circumference of the circle to the diameter of the circle. The number pi is approximately 3.141592653589793238462643...



ATI TESTING



Students will be taking the ATI post-test on Monday, March 3rd and Tuesday, March 4th. Teachers have requested that home base parents solicit donations from parents for healthy snacks and water for the testing. I would like to thank all parents who have donated water and healthy snacks for the ATI testing.

Students have been encouraged to perform well on the ATI test as it will be an indication of how students will perform on AIMS in April. We will put students who show eight percent or better improvement will be entered for a drawing for gift cards by grade level.

STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Students are expected to display their Dodge identification cards when on campus. Students who do not have their ID or lose their ID, will have to replace it at the cost of \$2.00. Student may write an IOU for one identification card. Students who owe money will not be able to get another identification card until they have paid the IOU.

Students need to make sure that they have paid all debts including, library fines, lost book fees, lunch money, and any other fee. Students will not be able to pick up their Yearbook at the end of the year until all of their debts are cleared up.

All parents and visitors to the Dodge campus are required to check-in in the main office and provide a photo ID prior to being issued a visitor ID badge. All gates around the campus will be secured throughout the day; parents and visitors will only be able to access the campus through the northwest gate.



PAC PIZZA FUNRAISER

Dodge's PAC continues to sponsor the Arizona Pizza Night fundraiser to benefit Dodge's PAC organization. The next fundraiser will be Thursday, March 27th from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Please mention that you are from Dodge so that twenty percentage will go to Dodge PAC. Eat in or take out! Come out and support the Dodge PAC.

NEWS FROM THE SIXTH GRADE

The final game by Ilias Montoya

The last soccer game at Magee before the playoffs was such an eventful game! We faced the boy's team with a mix of sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. The event took place on February 6, starting with a kick off from Dodge. In the first five minutes, Magee shot a goal! As fifteen minutes went by Dodge had scored two times! As all the people on the side lines were wondering "isn't it time for the subs to go in?" We figured out that the referee had lost track of time! So the subs went in for about seven minutes instead of a full 15 minutes. The Magee team continued to hold Dodge off for a little bit, then Dodge scored again! That was the end of the game and we had won!

Solving Crimes by Janay Ladriere

This week, in Mrs. Lee's class, we've been working on solving crimes. Mrs. Lee has taught us to solve them with a claim, evidence, and a warrant. Usually, we have a picture of the crime scene and then use the evidence that we see to answer the questions. At the end of the case, the class comes together as a group and we check our answers and compare.

When Mrs. Lee tells us the answer to the crime, we have to write two or three paragraphs about what happened, who did it and the conclusion. Almost every week we get a new crime to solve. Then, we have to do the same steps all over again. I have a lot of fun doing these crime stories and especially getting to solve them!

NEWS FROM THE SIXTH GRADE CONT'D

A Big Surprise by Sydney Ruskin

This quarter some of the sixth graders got to have a party. We had it on February 7th, on the patio. Those students were recognized for their hard work and enthusiasm. The sixth grade team did this to recognize and celebrate those students.

A few minutes before the bell certain students received certificates from their sixth-period teachers. Then we were invited out to the patio. Awaiting us were cupcakes with sea blue frosting and bottled water. We also signed a big poster, before hanging out with our friends and teachers. What is a better, more amazing sur-

Builders Club by Elysia Garcia

Builders Club has been working on two different things this quarter. One of the things we have done is embroidery. For embroidery we sew different images, using needles and thread, on things like pillowcases. To sew the image we pick out the color threads that we would like our image to be and sew it on whatever we are going to put it on. We are only allowed to keep one of the many things that we make. The rest of the things are donated to an organization like Red Cross or Casa De Los Niño's. Builders Club is not made of money and is always open to donations, such as needles, thread, yarn, fabric, embroidery hoops, crochet hooks, and anything else that you can think of that will benefit Builders Club.

We have also been working on Pennies for Pasta since the beginning of February and it will be ending once February ends. Pennies for Pasta is ran by Builders Club. Every Friday a couple of members go to every class and pick up the weekly earnings that the class has brought in. Then the members that stayed in the classroom count the money and mark it. We are just one of the many schools worldwide collecting money for kids that have diseases like leukemia or lymphoma. This is what Builders Club is about- helping the economy and people in our community.

Greek Gods Presentations by Blaise Yeater

In late January 2014, the sixth-graders did presentations in Ms. Ponticelli's class. The students had to dress as Greek gods and talk about their Greek gods. They did this so they could learn more about Greek gods. The title of the presentations was called "Meet the Greeks!" It's supposed to be like a radio talk show with Ms. Ponticelli as the host.

The person the students talked about was their Greek god with Ms. Ponticelli helping the person. The student who was speaking out loud to the class would get their information about the Greek god on the internet or from other sources. This came about when the sixth-graders were learning about Greek gods in their *Journey Across Time* textbooks. At the end, the audience would ask questions if they had any about the student's God.

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