



Weekly Update

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News for all

Better late than never

Every attempt is made to get the Weekly Update to you all by Monday afternoon. But sometimes circumstances prevent this from happening. Your patience and flexibility is much appreciated.

S.O.S

We are still missing health forms for *many* students. Please, **it is critical** that we know basic health information about your child. Do they have asthma? Allergies? Medications? Every Wednesday the Middle School is off campus and at times hiking in the wilderness. On Fridays new high school students are out with Pete, Kristin,(and Orien on CO, and all other High School students are at internships. Backpacking trips are on the horizon. We NEED to be in the know about any issues that may affect your child in the field so that we can be equipped to handle emergencies in the field. Thank you and have a nice day!

Lunch

If your child wants to eat school lunch, he or she must bring the checked off menu with a parent signature on it, to school by the previous Wednesday. For example, if Moonpie Jones would like to eat school lunch the week of Sept. 4-Sept 8, she must return her menu with her chosen days to eat checked off by Wednesday Aug. 30. If you have never seen these menus, come inside the building, Cathie keeps a stack at the front office. Soon we will be posting menus on the website. We really

appreciate everyone's patience and flexibility as we get used to this new way of doing lunch.

Next week's menu 9/5-9/7

Monday: NO SCHOOL

Tuesday: Hot dog on a bun, macaroni & cheese, veggie tray, and fruit

Wednesday:(High School only) Chicken fajitas, black beans, veggie salad, fruit

Thursday: Vegetable lasagna, steamed seasonal vegetables, Caesar salad, fruit

Friday: (Middle School only)No lunch. Middle School at Camp Thunderbird; High School at internships

If you work hard, there is a day for that

We sure do that here, so just like the Canadians we will be taking **Labor Day Monday September 4** off. We have the laborers of the late 1800s to thank for getting us this day. If you'd like to know more about Labor Day click [here](#).

Wherever two or more are gathered...some work is getting done.

To be on a committee is to know your voice is being heard. To be on a committee is to know that your parent hours are being fulfilled. To be on a committee is to feel connected to the place where your child spends 7+ hours a day. To be on a committee gives you insight into how and why decisions are made around here. To be on a committee connects you to other parents and some of the Aldo staff. To be on a committee gives you peace in your heart at night that you have contributed to the good world around you. To sign up call the school!

Policy Wed. 8/30..... 8:30amPete's room

SHAC..... Wed. 9/6..... 4:30pm.....Jim's room

SAC..... Thurs. 9/7 5:00pm.....Mr. Sherwood's office

High School

Hiking is the answer. Who cares what the question is.

It is that time of year again when Aldo High School students suit up in all things not cotton, strap a 40-pound pack on their backs, and say good-bye to showers for four days. For some it is the best of times and for others it is the worst of times. For

all, it is an experience that will shed a bit of light on who they are. If you have any questions, perhaps you may want to know where the heck your kid will be for these four glorious days, come to the **parent backpack meeting this Wednesday August 30 from 5-6pm, meet in the front lobby**. Click [here](#) for Pete's letter to parents about the BP trip.

Internships

This from Deb (internship and YCC coordinator)

All eligible sophomores, juniors, and seniors should be starting their internships or YCC on Friday. Deb will post who are on which YCC Crews on Tuesday. If students have not handed in their **completed contracts to Deb** by **Thursday, August 31**, they will lose 10% on their quarter grade.

Friday morning at 8:30 Archelogy, EcoMonitoring, Garden, and Trails YCC Crews will meet in Alli's room for a short orientation presentation by Deb.

Water Harvesting Crew will meet at 8:30 at The Volunteer Center, 501 E. 13th Street.

Murals Crew will meet at 9:00 at Leyba & Ingalls Art, 315 N. Bullard Street.

Around and around you go, where you'll stop nobody knows (Well, actually, someone does know)

The **Community Orientation class** will be at the upper box of the Gila River this Friday September 1. Students will be in two groups. One group will be learning about **water monitoring** from eco-monitors. The other group will be **harvesting mesquite** and working at the **Butterfly Way project**. A copy of the CO schedule is in the parent letter home that Pete emailed to you a couple of weeks ago.



The CO class learning rock climbing and team work with Stefan Link



Semilla getting belayed

Middle School

Camp Thunderbird

If we want students to be able to go backpacking in the high school, we gotta start somewhere, so camping in cabins at beautiful Camp Thunderbird is what we do. This is a fun time for all! We appreciate the challenge this will pose for some and the opportunity to begin leading that this inspires in others. Students need to be at school at the **regular time on Thursday**, and we will return by **the end of the school day on Friday**. If you haven't already, please, please, please return the

signed **permission slip ASAP**. Your child needs to bring a **sack lunch for Thursday** but after that we will provide the food (that they will be preparing). We do not allow electronics on this trip. If you need to get a hold of your child you can call Jennifer Bjornstad (8th grade teacher) 575-654-5717. Don't worry; we will take good care of each of these little dears.

Get in the habit!!

Every week the Middle School goes on a Wednesday trip, this week we are not, because we are going to Camp Thunderbird on Thursday and Friday. Even though we are not going on a trip your child **MUST BRING A LUNCH THIS WEDNESDAY!!** Getting into the habit of bringing a lunch every Wednesday is hard. For this reason Middle School students are do not to participate in the school lunch on Wednesday's.