

SUNSET SCHOOL K-8

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Sunset Award Winners!

Congratulations to all award winners! Parents, you are welcome to join our zoom awards assembly. Students will receive their award certificates in their classroom in front of their peers, and we invite our whole community to attend the zoom celebrations on December 16th for TK-5th grade, the awards show for middle school grades 6th-8th will be held at the end of the quarter on January 21st- We will send a Middle School reminder closer to that awards show!

You can tune in at Zoom Meeting ID: 867 8557 4148 Passcode: Awards

December 16th K-3 grade 12:30-1:00 4t

4th-5th grade 1:00-1:30

January 21st 6th - 8th 12:30 pm

Kindergarten, Mrs. Anctil: Matthew Salgado, Britney Tirado, Lenore Buttner, Shepherd Crane

Kindergarten Mrs. Torres: Weston Velasquez-Novstrup, Parker Nelson, Josie Brown, Zackery Torres, Sophee Marinos

1st Grade Ms. Mendoza: Shane Wilcox, Alex Gonzalez, Miguel Robles Romero, Ariana Jacquez

1st Grade Mrs. Hudspeth: Alexis Flores, Jaasiel Albarran, Joy Guzik, Julianna Sanchez

2nd Grade Mrs. Buck: Cooper Goodenough, Samantha Marlett, Clara Young, Reina Aguilar-Mendez, Xander Cease

2nd Grade Mrs. Martinez: Violet Alvarez, Tallulah Yerena, Abigail Villa, Aisling Regan, David Olea

3rd Grade Mrs. Hastie: Brandon Kemmerly, Liam McPherson, Jesse Carbajal, Layla Flores, Kade Kilgore, Logan Dailey

3rd Grade Ms. Eckerson: Jocelyn Patrick, Violet Lobato, Savannah Hair, Jacob Calderon

4th Gr. Mrs. Marshall/ Mrs. Bruner: Sophia Berber, Madeline Owens, Maria Tirado, Kaylee Davidson, Paula Hernandez, Dulce Reyes **4th-5th Grade Mr. Sarak**: Delilah Velasquez-Novstrup, Victoria Vint, Jaycee Honorato, Alexander Webster, Vance Horsting, Natalia Calderon

5th Grade Mrs. Votruba: Christian Diaz Jacobo, Alexander Lima-Martinez, Ashley Vera, Sequoyah Knott, Liana Sherman

Staff Awards: Ms. Mendoza and Mrs. Hudspeth: This dynamic 1st grade duo coordinated and helped to make sure every single Sunset student received a tie dye "Be Kind" shirt before the October break. This was such a fun event and their help is so appreciated. Mrs. Boydston: Our intervention teacher extraordinaire has been hard at work helping students to meet their academic goals. She is also coordinating our awesome GATE program that students adore, thank you Mrs. Boydston! Mrs. McCormick- Is our hard working cafeteria manager. She puts her heart into every meal she feeds our students and her flexibility and love are so appreciated!

Community Awards: Thank you to Gabe Munoz! Mr. Munoz is our YMCA ASES after school director. He is fun, organized and on it! Thank you for working with the Sunset staff to ensure that all of the Sunset students are getting the academic help they need after school. The Oak View Moose Lodge: Is a great partner to Sunset School. Thank you Moose Lodge for sponsoring the Thanksgiving baskets for families in need. Our community is a better place due to your hard work and we are grateful for you!

Calendar

Dec. 11- Saturday School 8:00-12:00 at Sunset-you must sign up

Dec. 15- Principal's Recess

Dec. 15th- 17th- Holiday store at lunch time- student's should not bring more than \$5 but can shop for family gifts during lunch at the holiday store- sponsored by PTA

Dec. 17th- Spirit Day- Pajama Day! Wear your PJ's to school!

Dec. 20- Dec. 31 Winter break - school resumes

Jan. 6- Spelling bee for 3rd through 8th graders- virtual so families can zoom in to watch the fun

Jan. 24- Skating Plus Night!!



Dude Be NICE Week Awesomeness The week before our October Break was filled with fun activities! Our amazing Sunset counselor, Ms. Agnes, planned several activities that all students had the opportunity to participate in; we made a kindness chain, wrote letters to our middle school students leaders, made kindness notes of appreciation at lunch for our local first responders, held wear orange day that included education in classes about bullying and being an Upstander, and had a blast at a BMX assembly focusing on character education. The week concluded on Friday October 24th, where our staff made a "Be Kind" tie dye shirt for every student on campus, and we took pictures on the field with a drone! The students surprised Mrs. Sims with signs and a school chant and superintendent Rice and Board member Lomax joined in on the fun. Check out these amazing pictures of our awesome school community!





<u>Teacher Appreciation Gift Idea</u> The office has gift cards for our district "supply warehouse". Gift your teacher with the opportunity to shop for extra school supplies for their room! The office can help you with purchasing a gift card if you are interested!

<u>Holiday Store Open</u> at lunch time from Dec. 15th through Dec. 17th. Thank you to our Amazing Sunset PTA! Our volunteers have gathered lots of items so that students can shop for their family members. Students can even wrap and label their gift before leaving the Paw Mart! This is a fun way for students to participate in the act of giving. It is suggested that younger students come with a sealed envelope stating how much to spend and who they are shopping for (example: Dad = \$2, sister = \$2). Students should not come to campus with more than \$5 to shop in the store. This a great learning opportunity for our students. Consider having them earn the money they might spend at home over the next few weeks.



Sunset Middle School Enrollment Going on Now!

The School Of Choice Window closes on December 3rd!

Did you know that Sunset Middle School boasts some of the highest academic achievement scores in all of the Ventura and Ojai area?! Sunset continues to have the highest attendance rate for middle school cohorts in the district, due to the fact that students just want to be here! The small school setting allows for optimum teacher to student ratio, with an increase in opportunities for all students. Sunset middle school students enjoy various field trips, clubs and visits to college campuses yearly. Sunset's 6th through 8th graders have the opportunity to show and grow their leadership skills in Student Council, with an emphasis on the importance of service. If you know of anyone who is looking into which middle school program will be their best fit, encourage them to set up a tour today!



Middle School Fun learning the Ukulele and being scientists in the Science lab!

Sunset Cross Country Finishes Strong!!

The Sunset cross country 4th- 5th team and middle school team, finished their season strong with some competitive and fun races. Congratulations to all of the racers! Every Sunset Cross Country runner improved their times over the season and had fun competing and being a part of the team! Consider joining Cross Country next year! Sport packets will come home in spring next year. Congratulations are also in order for our 2021 Turkey Trot Winners! This is an annual fun run open to all 4th through 8th graders, regardless of cross country team affiliation. The school comes out to cheer on the trotters and there are always fun surprises. These students will have their name on the perpetual plaque in the cafeteria in addition to other prizes and recognition. Middle School girl: Eryn Smith Middle School boy: AJ Chavez 4th/5th girl: Ellie Crane and 4th/5th boy: Vance Horsting

2021 Cross Country Top Finishers:

4th-5th Girls: Ellie Crane, Zen Guelcher, Sophia Berber, Maria Tirado, Cheyenne Mullins

4th-5th Boys: Vance Horsting, Oliver Tallerico, Andrew Montano, Aaron Buendia, Matthew Montano

6th-8th Girls: Usa Kateloy, Bari Davis, Eryn Smith, Violet Storey, Collette Parsignault

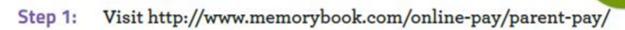
6th-8th Boys: Theo Souther Pasquarella, David Smith, Allen Kao, Jace Evans, Nicholas McSorley



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