

Prescott Promise

I promise to be
RESPECTFUL
RESPONSIBLE
And
RESOURCEFUL

To make my home, community
and school a better place.

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Office

563-552-4200 7:30am-4pm

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL ...

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Students with chronic absenteeism – missing 10% or more school days, are at an increased risk of reading failure by the end of third grade and an increased risk of not graduating from high school. This is true for preschool, Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade students. Older children are also at increased risk of learning problems when they are chronically absent. Please take a moment to review your child's attendance on his/her progress report. Thank you for all the planning, sacrifice and persistence that you dedicate toward having your child in school, on time, as much as possible. It is equally important that students who are too ill to come to school are kept home so that they can rest and recover. You can always call our health office at 552-4207 if you have questions about whether your child is too ill to attend school.

AUTHOR BUCK WILDER VISITING PRESCOTT

We are very excited that author Tim Smith (aka Buck Wilder) will be at Prescott today from 10:30-11:15 in the gym. He will be sharing an important message with our 2nd-5th grade students about perseverance and persistence. All are welcome to attend this event. You can learn more about this author at <http://www.buckwilder.com/index.asp>.

HOURLY OF CODE

We live in a world surrounded by technology. And we know that whatever field our students choose to go into as adults, their ability to succeed will increasingly depend on understanding how technology works. That's why our entire school is joining in on the largest learning event in history: The Hour of Code, during Computer Science Education Week (December 5-11). More than 100 million students worldwide have already tried an Hour of Code. Our Hour of Code is making a statement that Prescott is ready to teach these foundational 21st century skills. Special thanks to Ms. Weydert, Technology Coach & Librarian, for leading Prescott's Hour of Code.

NEW EVENT: PREK-5 WINTER PROGRAM – Thursday, Dec. 15

PreK-5 students will perform a winter concert featuring the same pieces they will perform at the Soup Luncheon fundraiser. Here are the details:

- Doors will open at 6pm.
- Students report to their classrooms while parents/guardians are in the gym. The performance begins at 6:30pm and will last 35-40 minutes.
- We respectfully ask for your help in honoring the hard work for our student performers by staying for the entire performance.
- After the performance ends, parents/guardians pick up their children in classrooms.
- All students and their families are warmly encouraged and invited to attend.

DRESS REHEARSAL FOR SOUP LUNCHEON – Monday, Dec. 19

We want to be READY for our soup luncheon fundraiser and we want students to be able to see each other's' performances so a dress rehearsal will be held in the gym on Monday, Dec. 19, at 2:15pm. All are welcome!

SOUP LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER – Tuesday, Dec. 20

This year's Soup Luncheon will be on Tuesday, Dec. 20, from 11am-1pm at Prescott. The inclement weather date is Wednesday, Dec. 21, from 11am-1pm. This is our only fundraiser for the year, and we rely on the proceeds to fund critical elements of our instructional design; fieldwork, community experts and additional arts experiences for



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students. Tickets are \$15 per person and may be purchased in advance or at the door. Please contact the school office at 552-4200 with questions.

WELCOME TO NEW STAFF MEMBERS!



Raizel Hanson, Multicategorical Paraprofessional, Gr. 1 with Mrs. Biver & Ms. Kimm “Once upon a time, there was a young lady who emigrated from the Philippines to Arizona to teach third graders about the world of reading & writing. She enjoyed it so much that she stayed there for four years. After the young lass found her Prince Charming she moved from Arizona to Iowa in 2009. Meanwhile, she found her place in Dubuque as a teacher at Hills & Dales Childcare Center. Five years in the two-year-olds’ room was a heartwarming experience for her. Her heart melted with the smiles and hugs that the toddlers shared. Then one quiet night, the young lady had a dream. She dreamed of becoming a paraprofessional and being in the classroom setting again. And lo and behold, her dream came true! She is now officially a Prescott Dolphin!



Chelsey Middendorf, Multicategorical Paraprofessional, Gr. 4 with Mrs. Gehl, Mrs. Dickens, & Mrs. Morley Hello Prescott Community! My name is Chelsea Middendorf and I was born and raised just over the bridge on a small farm in Menominee, IL. I moved to Chicago many years ago to attend Columbia College and pursue a career in the art world. After a few years of creating, curating shows, teaching after-school art classes and co-running the social art group *Potluck: Chicago*, my heart and curiosity took me to Cambodia. There, my deep desire and passion to learn more about international education systems and art communities further unfolded. For nearly 2 years, I taught in galleries and worked as an early elementary teacher and International Program Coordinator at a small school in the area. Exciting family events have brought me back to the States, where I am so thrilled to be joining the Prescott team of fabulous teachers, staff, students and families!

Calendar Highlights

Fri Dec 2, 2016

- 8:10am Professional Learning Session/1-Hour Late Arrival
- 2:30pm Prescott Crew

Mon Dec 5, 2016

- 5th Graders, bring your instruments! -Lessons w/ Mr. Garde
- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read
- 8:15am Prescott Pans Percussion Practice w/ Mrs. Millius
- 9:15am Life Skills Class -3FC Guest Speaker Geri Buelow
- 10am 3DC Life Skills Class Guest Speaker Geri Buelow
- 3:30pm Full Group Orchestra Rehearsal w/ Mr. Garde

Tue Dec 6, 2016

- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read

Wed Dec 7, 2016

- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read
- 8:15am Prescott Pans Percussion Practice w/ Mrs. Millius
- 11:25am Kindergarten brown bag lunch
- 3:30pm DCSD SMART Tutoring at Prescott

Thu Dec 8, 2016

- 7:30am Rise and Shine
- 8:15am Just Read
- 8:15am Prescott Choir Practice w/ Mrs. Millius
- 11:50am First Grade Brown Bag Lunch
- 3:30pm DCSD SMART Tutoring at Prescott

Expeditionary Learning Design Principles

The Primary of Self-Discovery

Collaboration and Competition

Diversity and Inclusion

Responsibility for Learning

Success and Failure

Service and Compassion

The Having of Wonderful Ideas

Empathy and Caring

Solitude and Reflection

The Natural World



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