

# PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 18, 2023



## EVENTS 12/18-1/15 (SCHOOL EVENTS, PTA EVENTS, HOLIDAYS)

12/18-12/24 (A-WEEK)

12/25-1/15 (A-WEEK)

Homeroom: Making a Difference Continued	Homeroom: Goal Setting
18 Band Visits to Elementary Schools	25 Christmas Day
18 Science Demo Team Family Night 6:30	1 New Years' Day
19 SCC Meeting in the the TLC 2:30-3:30	9 Eagle of the Month 9:00 in the Library
19 DLI/ALL Town Halls with Mark Clement (see below)	9 PTSA Meeting 9:30 in the Library
20 Student Appreciation Day (PTSA) During Lunches	10-11 7th Grade CCRs in Classrooms
20 Utah Opera Presentation in the Auditorium A3-A4	10 Girls' Basketball Game @ Orem 3:00-4:30
20 Girls' Basketball Game @ Am. Heritage 3:00-4:30	10 Boys' Basketball Game vs. Orem 3:00-4:30
20 Boys' Basketball Game vs. Am. Heritage 3:00-4:30	11 Girls' Basketball Game vs. PGJR 3:00-4:30
21 Minimal Day 7:45-11:15	11 Boys' Basketball Game @ PGJR 3:00-4:30
22 Teacher Work Day--NO STUDENTS	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day--NO SCHOOL
22 End of Term 2	
22-7 Winter Break	

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

For my last newsletter of 2023, I'd like to express appreciation to every member of the Oak Canyon community for their positive contributions to our school. No matter our role, we are all committed to the same basic thing--student learning and student success. We have different points of view at times about how to achieve this, but that speaks to the importance of the work we are doing. We all want to be seen and heard, we want to feel that our efforts matter, and ultimately we want to be part of something that matters. That goes for adults and students. Our vision is to become lifelong learners by developing the 6 Cs in ourselves and others. That doesn't just magically occur because we put it on a poster. It requires deliberate and consistent effort. It also requires reflection and revision. It can be a difficult, exhausting process, but certainly worthwhile. Thank you for your patience with us as we try new things and then make revisions to those things. Thank you to all members of our school community for showing up each day and continuing to try, especially when it is hard. We see you. We appreciate you. We wish you a peaceful Holiday Season and Winter Break that allows you to engage in the things you love, to reflect on progress and improvement, and to resolve to make any changes necessary to powerfully participate in the second semester of the 23-24 school year. Happy Holidays, Eagles! We'll see you next year!

Mrs. Ross

## NEW INFORMATION

### FACULTY FUNDRAISER THANK YOU!

We are humbled and pleased to report that our faculty Holiday Donation Drive has yielded \$2000 in donations to assist members of our school community in need at this time. Thank you to all that joined our faculty in donating what you could to this worthy cause. Together we were able to do something great. Thank you!

### COMMUNITY TOWN HALLS WITH BOARD MEMBER MARK CLEMENT 12/19

If you have questions, concerns, etc. concerning the recommendations made for ALL and Dual Immersion Programs in our feeder elementary schools, mark your calendars for this opportunity.



The poster features a portrait of Mark Clement on the left. To the right, the text reads: "Community Townhalls with Mark Clement, Alpine School District Board of Education Member since 2017". Below this, the event details are listed: "Tues. Dec. 19th, 2023" with a star icon, "4:00 pm" with a star icon, "at Lindon Elementary, 30 N Main St, Lindon, UT 84042", "2:30 pm & 5:00 pm" with a star icon, "at Rocky Mountain Elementary, 55 S 500 E St, Lindon, UT 84042", and "Come & share feedback about the Advanced Learning Lab and Dual Language Immersion Programs".

### MINIMAL DAY SCHEDULE 12/21

Thursday, December 21st is a Minimal Day and our last day with students before the Holidays. December 21st is also the last day of the 2nd Term. There will be no homeroom on the 21st, classes will be 40 minutes each, and passing periods will be 7 minutes as per usual. There will be one lunch at the end of the day from 10:45-11:15.

A1/B5 7:45-8:25

A2/B6 8:32-9:12

A3/B7 9:19-9:59

A4/B8 10:06-10:45

Lunch 10:45-11:15

### END OF TERM 2

Thursday is the last day of Term 2 for students to attend school. Teachers have until Sunday to complete their grading and finalize Term 2 grades. When students return to school on January 8th, it will be the 1st day of Term 3.

Please take a moment to review your student's Term 3/Semester 2 schedules with them prior to January 8th so there aren't any surprises!

## LINDON CARES COMMUNITY EVENTS



**Teen Coping Skills Class**

Come learn stress management, social skills, and communication in fun and engaging ways.

Jan 23- Feb 22  
Tuesdays/Thursdays  
Age 12 and up, 5-6pm

Class is FREE!  
Sign-up online at [lindonrecreation.org](http://lindonrecreation.org)  
Taught by a Recreational Therapist



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*Strengthen Your Relationships*

**FREE WORKSHOP**  
for parents of kids aged 9-14



**GUIDING GOOD CHOICES**

- Dinner for the whole family
- \*\$50 gift basket
- \*Must be able to attend all 5 sessions
- Childcare for ages 8 and under
- Activities for ages 9 and up

**MONDAYS 6PM-8PM**  
LINDON COMMUNITY CENTER  
25 N Main St Lindon

Jan. 22 Jan. 29 Feb. 5  
Feb. 12 Feb. 26

*Sign up now!*

**Questions?**  
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Guiding Good Choices gives families information and tools that work to protect preteens and teens from the inevitable risks they encounter as they become more independent. Families will learn ways to build or maintain lasting relationships, because teenagers who are more closely connected to their families have better health and educational outcomes.

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## STUDENT PICTURES FOR THE YEARBOOK!

The yearbook team is looking for some good talent! Make sure you add your first and last name(s) to each photo, your grade, and an optional caption! Get creative! If your talent is hard to show with a photo, try to find a way to represent it. Send anything from your art, playing a sport, coding, cooking, fixing a Rubix cube, playing an instrument, the options are endless! If you want a chance to be put in the yearbook and showcase something unique, send a picture of showing your talent to [mredford@alpinedistrict.org](mailto:mredford@alpinedistrict.org). We are excited to see what hidden gifts you have!

## REMINDERS

### ASD RISE NOMINATIONS

Do you know a teacher or school employee who is Remarkable, Inspiring, Selfless, and/or Encouraging? Nominations are now open for the [2023-2024 ASD RISE Award](#). Nominees will be recognized at their school, highlighted on our website, and a few each month will be selected for Board Recognition during a Board meeting at the District Office.

## UTAH JAZZ/INSTRUCTURE NOMINATIONS

Nominations are now being accepted for the Utah Jazz MVE (Most Valuable Educator) Award. If there is an #ASD educator who has had an impact on your student, please nominate them [HERE](#). Each honored educator will be a guest of Instructure at a game and will receive a personalized Jazz jersey. In addition, they will receive a \$1,000 classroom grant and a surprise classroom visit or organized assembly involving the Jazz Bear mascot and personnel from the Utah Jazz and Instructure. We have AMAZING teachers!!

