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EDITION

Greetings Eduprize Families,

The end of quarter 1 is always full of many zealous celebrations like Cottage Fairs, Spirit Week, our end of quarter assembly, and the Gilbert Chamber of Commerce Ribbon Cutting Ceremony we had on Thursday - celebrating EDUPRIZE's 30th year of educational excellence. Mrs. Yeargain, Mrs. Deist and I have enjoyed being part of all of these celebrations because there is ALWAYS excellence to be celebrated at EDUPRIZE!

This Fall Break brings a transition in leadership where we pass the torch of the Principal role from Mrs. Yeargain to me in quarter 2. To that end, I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself to families that may not be familiar with me yet.

First, I'm thrilled to begin my 23rd year in education—and my 11th year here at EDUPRIZE! As an Arizona native, I proudly attended Arizona State University for my Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. I later earned a Master's Degree in Multicultural Education from Northern Arizona University, and in May of 2022, I completed a second Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from Western Governors University. On a personal note, I recently married my partner of 10 years, Michael Manfredi, in February 2025!

My teaching journey began on the Gila River Reservation, where I taught 3rd and 4th grades and coached teachers in math instruction. I later served as an Educational Consultant, supporting schools with professional development and improvement initiatives. I returned to the classroom when my son, Julian, started kindergarten here at EDUPRIZE—and I haven't looked back!

Over the years, I've found joy in both teaching and serving as Assistant Principal/Dean of Students. I believe that behavior skills are just as essential as academic skills—and that both need to be explicitly taught and practiced for students to succeed. It is an honor to support our incredible teachers, dedicated families, and phenomenal students. Please always feel free to reach out with your well wishes, questions, or concerns. I am so excited to partner with you to make this the best school year yet!

Cheers to 30 years,
Heather Vehon-Manfredi
Principal

P.S. - Be sure to check out the brand new Student Profile on the bottom right hand side of page 2 of this newsletter!

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LINKS

EVENT FLYERS

For the **PTO Newsletter**

Click [HERE](#)

Upcoming Events Include:

- Fall Festival (**Tickets LIVE!**)
- Basket Coordinators
(**Volunteers Needed!**)
- **Q2 School Lunch Orders DUE!!**
- Spelling Bee
- 26-27 Enrollment
- 6th Grade Vaccinations
- Clothing Drive

To see **ALL Event Flyers**

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PARENT SUPPORT

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**NEW!
CHECK IT OUT**

[THE STUDENT PROFILE](#)

MONTH



GLANCE

SEPTEMBER

26th: Project Exploration Applications DUE!

26th: Q2 Lunch Orders DUE

29th-30th: No School

Fall Break

hello
FALL



OCTOBER

1st-14th: No School

Fall Break

15th: First Day of Second Quarter

16th: Board Meeting

1:00 PM B1 Media Center

21st: Battle of the Books

B3 Theater - 3:45 PM

24th: Fall Festival



FALL FEST "Harvest Carnival"



CLASS RAFFLE BASKET COORDINATORS NEEDED!

What Coordinators Do:

- Come up with a theme (movie night, gift cards, free trips etc) -Organize a sign up genius for items or money to be donated to the class basket and send it to all parents in class. **Each class enters a basket every year.** Secondary can participate as well and choose a teacher/class period.
- Work with parents and local businesses to donate items for the basket. Have parents help reach out to others/businesses as well. PTO provides donation receipts.
- Assemble the basket and or create a full unique display. Drop off/set up the day before or morning of Fall fest.

Perks:

- Help your class earn a chance to win a pizza party
- You'll be entered to try and win yourself a \$100 gift card
- All coordinators receive free admission to fall fest!
- Help earn money for the school to put on future events, staff appreciation and more! Fall festival is a community event and fundraiser but not possible without parent help!

Help Provided:

PTO provides a full guide with pictures to help coordinators. This is a very easy process that should take minimal time. We can provide additional training calls or zoom if needed!

**Can you help? Please Email: PTO@eduprize.com
and/or let your teacher know. Thank you!**



A vibrant, stylized illustration of a circus tent with red and white stripes and a blue flag at the top. The tent is flanked by two clusters of colorful balloons in shades of purple, blue, green, yellow, and orange. The background features a warm orange and yellow sunburst pattern. The entire scene is framed by a red and white striped border.

FALL FEST

“HARVEST CARNIVAL”

OCT. 24TH 5-8 PM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



**PLEASE SCAN OR CLICK
HERE IF YOU CAN HELP,
THANK YOU!**