



March 2023

Message from the Principal

Dear Sierra families,

The 3rd quarter has gone by fast! There has been so much going on and so much more to look forward to in the 4th quarter. Several grade levels have taken field trips and have enjoyed presentations. We also just finished up our Read-a-Thon week and danced the night away at the Glo Dance! It was fun to see everyone "glowing in the dark." A big THANK YOU to all who donated to our annual Super Bowl Food Drive. The Sierra community donated 38 boxes of food items to the Kyrene Family Resource Center. All donations go directly to helping Kyrene families in need. We also completed the Arizona Diamondbacks Attendance Matters Program and 178 students had perfect attendance for the month of February. Those students received a certificate for a free ticket to an upcoming Diamondbacks game. Way to "Seas the Day" Sierra Suns. Looking ahead there is Spring Break, Lunch on the Lawn, the PTO Gala and more field trips and presentations. And don't forget tonight is the Spring Carnival. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
Brian Gibson
Principal

Upcoming Events

MAR 3: Spring Carnival, 5:30pm-8:00pm
MAR 9: 2nd Grade Field Trip to Herberger Theater
MAR 10: 3rd Grade Field Trip to Shamrock Farms
MAR 10: Papa John's Restaurant Night
MAR 13-17: Spring Break, NO SCHOOL
MAR 20: Teacher Work Day, NO SCHOOL
MAR 24: 5th Grade Field Trip to BizTown

MAR 28: Governing Board Meeting, 7:00pm

MAR 30: Lunch on the Lawn

MAR 31: A Night in the 90's Gala Event

APR 7: NO SCHOOL

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23/24 REGISTRATION: Registration began on January 17 for all new students. If you have an incoming kindergartner you may register your student through your ParentVUE account. Current students staying at Sierra will automatically be enrolled for next year. All 5th graders are enrolled in Altadeña. If your student will not attend Sierra or Altadeña next year, please notify the office as soon as possible, 480.541.5200.

IMMUNIZATIONS: Has your student had updated immunizations this year? Please provide any updates to Miss Selena in the health office. They can be faxed from your doctor to 480.541.5210 or emailed to smaiefski@kyrene.org.

FOOD SERVICES: Smart snacks are now available for student purchase at any site, prices start at \$.50 and average \$1.00. All options are smart snack approved. Please feel free to add funds to your students account using [InTouch](#). You can also place restrictions and limits as you see necessary by contacting Food Services. Please reach out to Food Services for any questions or concerns 480-541-1660. The March lunch menu is available [here](#).

STUDENT ABSENCES: All student absences must be reported to the attendance line or school office. The attendance line is a 24 hour message line, 480.541.5201. If your student will be significantly late to school please call the office, 480.541.5200, or walk your student in to school. Students not reported absent will incur an unexcused absence/truancy.

PARKING LOT AND TRAFFIC: Please remember to obey all traffic laws and posted signs when coming to Sierra. Our preschool parking spots are designated for those families due to the location of the preschool and for the safety of those children. Please do not let your children out of the car if you are in the street. The safety of your children is our top priority and we look to parents/guardians to help ensure their safe arrival and departure from school.



Community Education Enrichment Classes

Summer and School Year 23-24 Registration. Community Education Summer and School Year 2023-24 registration opens March 21 6:30am. More information about program locations, tuition and enrollment can be found at <https://www.kyrene.org/communityed>.

2023 Special Day for Special Kids. The Scottsdale Sunrise Rotary Club is inviting families of children who have disabilities or special health care needs to the return of its annual [Special Day for Special Kids](#) on Saturday, March 11, 2023, from 10am to 2pm at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park in Scottsdale. For more than 30 years, Special Day for Special Kids has offered an opportunity for families of children with disabilities to connect and relax for one day in a safe and welcoming environment. The event is totally free for families and provides activities, games, hot dogs, chips, ice cream, popcorn and beverages for all. There is no advanced registration, just sign in when you arrive!

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Our learning is enhanced thanks to you! Tax credit donations provide countless opportunities for students to discover new passions. Your tax credit donations can help preserve robust arts and music programs, increase field trip opportunities, fund guest speakers, and so much more!

All of these programs help Kyrene de la Sierra develop well-rounded students, who in turn, build

strong communities. Arizona statute allows individuals/couples to donate \$200/\$400 for a dollar-to-dollar tax credit. The deadline for tax credit donations is April 18, 2023. You can donate online through our [Payment Portal](#). Thank you for your continued support!



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*top of the class.***

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School Hours: 7:30 am - 2:15 pm
Early Dismissal Wed: 12:15 pm

Office Hours: 7:00 am - 3:30 pm
Wednesday: 7:00 am - 1:30 pm

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