



April 1, 2022

## Message from the Principal

It is no April Fool's joke that time is speeding ahead!

Our 8th graders worked hard on the AZSci testing on Thursday and Friday and they roll right on to the AASA Writing Test next week, starting on April 6th, with 6th and 7th graders also doing the AASA Writing Test.

As a reminder:

April 6- 6th-8th grade AASA Writing Test: 8:15am-11:29am

April 7th & 8th - 6th-8th grade AASA Writing Test Make-Ups: 8:15am-11:29am

April 11: 6th -8th grade ELA Part 1 and Math Part 1: 8:15am-11:29am

April 12: 6th-8th grade ELA Part 2 and Math Part 2: 8:15am-11:29am

April 13-14: 6th-8th grade ELA and Math Parts 1 and 2 Make-ups: 8:15am-11:29am

The Kyrene Summer Academy has Math Course Offerings. Courses will be hosted at Kyrene Traditional Academy campus as part of summer academy.

Current 6th graders option, Math 7: This course is appropriate for a student who was in Math 6 but has strong potential to possibly advance to Math 8. Here is the registration [link](#).

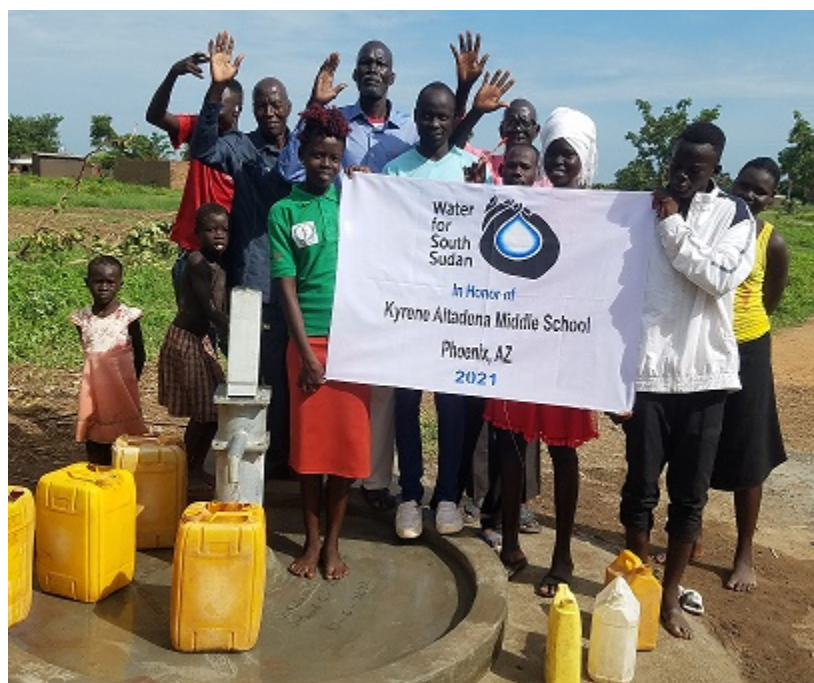
Several of our classes have been hard at work on Passion Projects and learning new skills. A few of those are listed below. I am proud to be part of such an enthusiastic and kind Altadena Community.

**Erica Modzelewski, M. Ed. | Principal**

## Water for South Sudan Project

Mrs. Badgley and Mrs. Camarano take on the Water for Sudan project every year in conjunction with their ELA Curriculum. Their students raise funds to help build wells to provide clean water to the people of Sudan. Thanks to their efforts the program has drilled a well with Altadena's name on it.

The GPS coordinates of the well are 7.777847 27.978129. To view this location, copy and paste these numbers into a browser and hit "Enter" on your keyboard, then click on the map. (You may need to zoom out to see the entire area.)



## Helping Working Dogs Rescue

Mrs. Janowiak's students chose to help Working Dog Rescue because of how important working dogs are to our society. Many veterans have PTSD and other mental illnesses from their time in the military. Working dogs help those people participate in everyday life. This organization also gives these dogs a purpose and home. They have collected many items to help these dogs help others.



## One Tree Planted

Mrs. Raucci's class worked on "One Tree Planted" as their Passion Project. Thanks to the community's generosity and the persistence of her students, they raised \$434. That translates to 434 trees planted in California.



Isiah learning some cake making skills in Mrs. Riggle's FACS class.



Be on the Lookout. Summer Academy is Back! Students stay engaged and challenged during the summer with a wide range of classes in art, cooking, engineering, science, sports, technology and more. Kyrene offers a variety of summer programs to meet your family's needs and interests: Kids Club, Preschool, Sports Camp, Adventure Tours and Summer Academy. For a complete list, including dates and locations, visit [www.kyrene.org/summeroptions](http://www.kyrene.org/summeroptions). Programs fill fast. Register now to secure your child's spot!

## ***8th grade End of Year Events***

Planning for the 8th grade dance, field trip to Main Event and Promotion ceremony are under way.

8th Grade Dance: May 13, 6:30-8:30pm

8th Grade Celebration Trip to Main Event, Gilbert: May 16th

8th Grade Promotion: May 17th, time TBD.

The 8th Grade Dance Committee wants to make sure your 8th Grader is part of the dance slide show. Send selfies and any pictures of your 8th grader from this current school year with friend groups, sports teams, band, chorus, before or after school activities or any fun photo of your child. Please email them to [altadenadance@gmail.com](mailto:altadenadance@gmail.com) by May 6th.



## Spring Sports Update

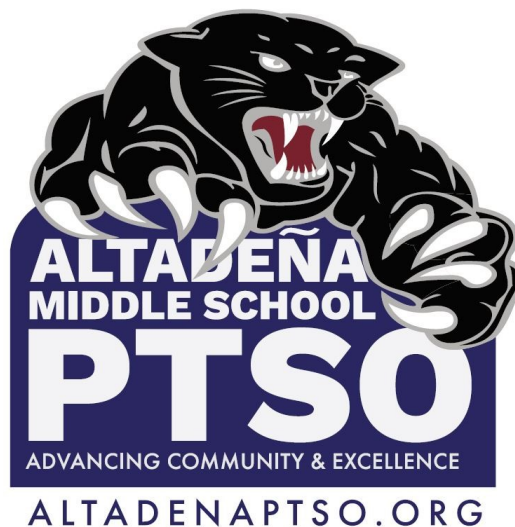
On Monday, JV Boys Baseball beat Akimel 8-4.  
Varsity Baseball lost to Akimel, 5-10.

JV Girls Basketball won against Akimel by 20 points.  
Varsity Girls Basketball lost by 1, 43-44.

On Wednesday, Varsity Boys Baseball won 8-0.  
JV Boys Baseball won 11-1.

In Track on Tuesday, Boys beat Pueblo 55-45.  
Girls kept the score close but lost 44-47.

On Thursday, Girls tied Aprende, 50-50, but Boys fell just short of the Jaguars, 49-51. Overall score, 99-101.



JOIN US ON APRIL 13th AT 8:30am FOR OUR FINAL PTSO GENERAL MEETING OF THE YEAR. WE WILL WELCOME AND VOTE IN OUR 2022-23 OFFICERS. ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. *If you are interested in serving on next year's*

*PTSO Board, or would like to nominate someone to serve, please email [president@altadenaptso.org](mailto:president@altadenaptso.org).*

## TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK - MAY 2nd - MAY 6th

The PTSO wants to spoil our teachers and staff with **\$20** gift cards from Amazon and Target during Teacher Week, May 2nd -May 6th. To do that, we ask families to donate a **\$20** gift card from Amazon or Target and send it to the front office by 4/22! Thank you for supporting our teachers and staff!

Also, the PTSO is seeking volunteers to help with teacher week. Email Sue Donoghue at [sdonoghueaz@gmail.com](mailto:sdonoghueaz@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping out. This is a fun week to give back to our excellent teachers and staff.

## 8TH GRADE DANCE

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**Office Hours:** Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 7:45am – 4:15pm  
Wed: 7:45am - 2:15pm

**School Hours:** **Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri:** 8:15am – 3:05 pm  
Wed: 8:15am - 1:05pm