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Check Out MATHLETICS for Fun Learning and Competition

• Oct. 19-23: Fall Break

Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 28: PTG Meeting
- Oct 30:
 Spirit Day

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Check out our website at asu.edu.mn to see more photos from ASU events.



Story by: Ivy, Sara, and Zaya, 5A

Hey ASU students! Would you like to improve your math skills? Well, we have a solution for you! Every student at ASU can log-in to MATHLETICS and play epic math games and get educated. You can log-in from home or from school. Also, you can play live MATHLETICS with other ASU students and even kids from around the world. There is something called The Hall Of FAME! Yay! If you get more

Sara, Ivy, and Zaya (5A) promote participation in MATHLETICS.

than 1000 points you go on to Hall Of FAME ! If you want to have a silver medal you have to get eight bronze medals, and if you want a gold medal you need to get six silver medals!

On MATHLETICS you can customize your character by getting credits and buying other cool stuff! If you don't know the answer, you can click on the question mark and it will explain it to you. So ASU, now you know why MATHLETICS is important! Hope you log-in soon! If you don't know your login information, ask your teacher! Have fun learning!

<u>Principal's Message</u> New School Year Kicks Off with Special Events and Activities

The school year is off to a great start. September is already filled with a variety of activities, including Curriculum Night, Sports Day and the start of our After School Activities. This will be our third year in the Elementary School building, and with the cooperation and contributions of students, staff and parents, we have built a unique culture for our younger students while still maintaining our sense of unity with the Secondary campus. We hope to continue to have strong participation in our Parent-Teacher Group this year, as we share information about our school and work together to make ASU even better. We are thankful for everyone who has made the commitment to be part of the ASU community, and we look forward to a long, productive partnership as we continue to prepare our students to be critical and creative thinkers, compassionate citizens, and effective leaders.

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Fifth Graders Take to Heart their Leadership Responsibilities

On being Hall Monitors



Yalguun shines as a role model for all students by serving as a Hall Monitor.

Hi ASU! Do you know about Hall Monitors? Yes, the ones with the yellow jackets and stop signs. When you are in 5th Grade, students take turns being Hall Monitor. Do you walk when a Hall Monitor asks you to? Of course! Their job is also to remind you to eat in the cafeteria. Hall Monitors are great examples for you. They don't run and they speak kindly. They also help with other problems as well. You can be your own Hall Monitor. Remind others to slow down and remind yourself! Have ~Maya, 5B a great day.

Hall Monitor is a very hard job

because we have to stop kids from running. I love being a Hall Monitor because it feels like I am making the school a better place. I also don't like being a Hall Monitor sometimes, because people don't always listen. ~Amina, 5B

Being Hall Monitor is the best! It feels good to know that I am helping other students be safe. I think Hall Monitors should be responsible people who care about the school. Hall Monitor is a good job. You have to know it's a big responsibility. We have to warn the little ones. Also, you have to be kind and talk nicely to other students. Students should listen to Hall Monitors. These people are there for you. I will do my duty as Hall Monitor as best as I can. ~Yalguun, 5B

On being a House Captain

Being a House Captain is a big responsibility. The main things you do are collect house points, decorate the boards, and announce the house points at assemblies. There are also times when you have to stay in at recess or lunch to decorate the boards (if you're doing it for the first time). Just to tell you, you don't have to be ashamed if you are a Co-Captain. I am Co-Captain, but I am not ashamed. Being Co-Captain does not mean that the Captain is better than you. Now you know what it's like to be a House Captain/ Co-Captain. ~Ebe, 5B



House Captains pictured: Kirsten (Red), Uyakhan (Gold), Miriam (Greeen), and Ebe (Blue)

I like being a House Captain because you can collect house points. At assemblies, we can wave the flag and announce the house points. We also decorate the boards any way we want. We show how to be kind to each other and do what the teachers say. We can teach the little kids how to be kind, safe, respectful, and responsible. ~Uyakhan, 5B

One Fifth Grade Student shares recommendations for the future of ASAs



In my opinion, we should get a cooking class as an ASA. Each student could bring our own ingredients to make their own dish and the teacher can teach you how to make it. Aso, a swimming class would be great! If we had swimming class we could learn how to go under the water. Swimming is an exercise that you can do to stay healthy. Everyone really wants a swimming pool at this school. And that is my opinion.

~Anujin, 5A

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Students Interview Ms. Geshel, New Assistant Principal

Interview by: Miriam, Kirsten, and Owen, 5A

Hello students of ASU! We interviewed Ms. Geshel, the new Assistant Principal herself.

Students: First, Ms. Geshel, how do you like being assistant principal at ASU?

Ms. Geshel: It is fantastic. I get to learn new students and all students'

names, PreK-5th grade. **Students:** Another question is, do

you think you are running the school properly?

Ms. Geshel: I believe so, we are making impressive, important

change. **Students:** How do you think your students act?

Ms. Geshel: I would say we have

respectful students, but they need a few reminders to walk. My favorite sentence is "Walk

please!" **Students:** Next question, what is your favorite color?

Ms. Geshel: Surprisingly, it is pink.

Students: Last question, but certainly not least, what was your

childhood like?

Ms. Geshel: I spent my childhood in Michigan, I played a lot of sports.



I have an older brother and sister. So I had a lot of competition.

Just one more question, so you're like a walking pink heart? Never mind you don't need to answer that. Heeheee.

Fifth Grade Students Offer Advice to Younger Students

Story by: Amingoo, Bilguunzaya, Sainaa, Bulga, and Anudari, 5A

Hello ASU! Did you have a great day? Here are a few things you will need to know for 5th grade.

First, you need to know about the Words of the Week. You will learn new words each week. Every Monday there are pre-tests. On Friday we take the real test. For each word, we begin by figuring out what part of speech it is. Every week we learn different types of words. After we take the pre-tests, we write down our spelling words, in alphabetical order, in our *Spelling Diction*ary

Secondly, you will turn in a *Read*ing Log every Friday. There are six boxes to complete. You have to write the date and the title of the book, and you will write what you read about. You also have to get your parent's signature. Remember --You can always read extra books!

The third thing you need to know about is math. The *Student Reference Book* is really important because there are different sections of problems in your *Math Journal*. You are going to learn many things about math including fact families. Fact families are easy to do. It includes multiplication and division, but it could also be subtraction and addition. Rectangular arrays will be one of the first things you learn once in 5th grade.

In science, you guys are going to learn about the water cycle. You will learn new words such as: precipitation, condensation, evaporation, and vapor. You will also learn about weather and climate. You are



Image courtesy: http://tinyurl.com/ngqsk2m going to watch some awesome Bill Nye, the Science Guy, videos and all students will have a Science Notebook.

Finally, remember that when you go to 5th grade, you will be a role model for all lower grades. If you are respectful, safe, and responsible, you will be a great role model. If you notice younger students, take a moment to show them the correct behavior and explain why it's important. This is leadership in action.



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Expected School-wide Student Outcomes

ASU students will be...

Academic Achievers

Critical Thinkers

Involved Citizens

Effective Communicators

Self-Directed Lifelong Learners

Home of Future Leaders

Parent Donation Impacts Whole School Community

You may have noticed that there have been improvements made to the road that we all travel each day to get to ASU. Specifically, the road between ASU and the 11th Khoroo's road has been fully repaired. ASU has a parent to thank for making this much

needed upgrade possible. The mother of 2C student Telmuun donated 10 Million

MNT towards making this necessary improvement which benefits our entire school community. The total area of the road was 218 square meters and each square meter cost 70,000 MNT. The total cost of the work was 15,260,000 MNT. Our parent donation paid for two-thirds



of this cost, while the school covered the remaining third with money from its maintenance budget.

ASU is thankful for the generosity of this parent, and for their willingness to partner with the school to positively impact all students and access to their learning endeavors.

Snapshots from around our Lively Elementary Campus



From Pre-Kindergarten: Our letter for the week was T. Mommy Tiger came to visit. She was sad that she couldn't find her twin tiger cubs. We made tiger masks and went to the jungle to help her look. We found the twins, and the tiger family was together again!

From the Library: After reviewing Parts of a Book, and locations for Fiction, Nonfiction, and Early Readers, students in 3B learned how to alphabetize Fiction books based on the Author's Last Name. With the lesson complete, these boys enjoyed some time sharing and discussing the books they selected for the week.

