



Afton Elementary Newsletter

January 2026

House Shirts for Every Student & Afton Apparel Coming Soon!

We are excited to share that every Afton Elementary student will be receiving a House shirt, thanks to the generosity of our PTO's local business partners who helped make this possible! Each student will receive a shirt in their RCA House color:



Coming Events

Jan. 5.....School Resumes

Jan. 9Report Cards Sent Home

Jan. 14.....PTO Meeting 1:45

Jan. 16.....No School

Jan. 30.....No School

These shirts will help strengthen school pride, build connections across grade levels, and support our House System throughout the year. We are incredibly grateful for the community support that allowed this to happen for *every* child.

In addition, families will have the option to order Afton Elementary school shirts for students and parents if they wish. Orders will be available through our online school store from January 5 through January 23. Here is the logo that will be on the school apparel shirts.



Thank you for helping us continue to build a strong, connected, and spirited Afton Elementary community—Rise Up and Be the Magic! ✨

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Thank You to Our PTO Sponsors

We would like to give a huge thank you to our amazing PTO sponsors for their generous donations to our House System! Because of their support, every student will receive a House T-shirt to wear during our House celebrations and special events.

Your contributions help us build school spirit, unity, and pride.
Thank you for making it possible!

Four houses, One Family



Star Valley Realty

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Early Childhood Census

Parents, our annual Early Childhood Census is now happening! We ask that you go to www.lscd2.org and click on the link provided or use this QR Code or direct link to access the census and fill it out for any of your children who are **birth to 5 years old** and **not** enrolled in kindergarten yet. The district uses this information to plan for future needs of our schools and to get important information to you the year before your child will enter kindergarten. In January, there will be a census worker in your area that will contact you if you have not filled out the census online. The census will be open now through January 25. Thank you for taking the time to complete this census! If you have any questions about the census or have trouble accessing it, please contact Emily Isaacson 307-885-7129. <https://forms.gle/PLpb2HcD2FVMYas49>

Padres, ¡ya está en marcha nuestro censo anual de la primera infancia! Le pedimos que vaya a www.lscd2.org y haga clic en el enlace proporcionado o utilice este código QR o enlace directo para acceder al censo y rellenarlo para cualquiera de sus hijos que tengan entre 0 y 5 años y que aún no estén matriculados en el jardín de infancia. El distrito utiliza esta información para planificar las necesidades futuras de nuestras escuelas y para hacerle llegar información importante el año antes de que su hijo entre en el jardín de infancia. En enero, habrá un trabajador del censo en su zona que se pondrá en contacto con usted si no ha rellenado el censo en línea. El censo estará abierto desde ahora hasta el 25 de enero. ¡Gracias por tomarse el tiempo de completar este censo! Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre el censo o tiene problemas para acceder a él, póngase en contacto con Emily Isaacson 307-885-7129. <https://forms.gle/PLpb2HcD2FVMYas49>



Learning Update

Kindergarten - We had so much fun giving our best effort during the Turkey Trot! One of the highlights was watching teachers and staff get pied—our kindergarteners thought that was *hilarious*!

In the classroom, kindergarteners are continuing to work on writing letters correctly while strengthening their phonemic awareness skills. We are also writing personal narratives, focusing on telling stories with a clear beginning, middle, and end.

In math, our mathematicians are learning to compare numbers by identifying which numbers are greater than, less than, or equal to one another. We are continuing to review numbers 0–10 with a focus on number recognition, number writing, counting, number order, and playing a variety of fun number games. Coming up next, we will begin exploring teen numbers and adding numbers 11–20 to our learning!

1st Grade - December flew by, and first grade is excited to start the new year with fresh energy, big curiosity, and lots of learning!

Reading & Phonics

- **Open and closed syllables**
- **Spelling and sound patterns: tch, ch, dge, j**
- **Long VCC patterns**
- **y as /ī/ and y as /ē/**
- **le endings and a review of ending patterns**
- **Learning about genres, identifying the main topic, and understanding an author's purpose**

Writing

- **Opinion writing**
- **Clearly stating an opinion**
- **Giving reasons to support ideas**

Math

- **Exploring and identifying shapes**
- **Building geometry skills through hands-on activities**

We are proud of the hard work our first graders demonstrated in 2025 and are excited to see the growth, learning, and success that 2026 will bring!

2nd Grade - A new year! This month we will be finishing our AIMS testing and will be doing our reading comprehension and our math benchmarks so please do your best to get your child to school. We look forward to seeing how our students have grown in the first half of the year. We loved seeing all the growth the students had made on their oral reading fluency in December. Amazing! This month in math we will be focusing on adding and subtracting 3-digit numbers. In writing we will be writing paragraphs.

Some things you can do at home: help your child build their comprehension skills at home by discussing what you read together. Help them practice recalling details and ideas. Also continue practicing those math facts at home. We hope most students have passed off their addition fluency by now, which is the goal for this time of year. We would like the student to move toward mastering subtraction facts. We're excited for a new year and for a chance for the students to

3rd Grade - We are half way through the year and our third graders continue to impress us with their hard work and dedication to their learning. We are continuing to work on the Ron Clark expectations and earning house points for our individual houses. There was a whole school celebration to celebrate the house with the most points up to this point in the year. Congratulations to the Altruismo House! Third grade students who paid \$1,000 in school money, participated in "Minute to Win it". We all had a great time. We celebrated students who earned their honors, by reading 100 A.R. points. We want to thank Mrs. Shumaker for preparing the students for a wonderful Christmas program. We have been working on addition and subtraction strategies in math, along with one and two step word problems. Our comprehension focus has been on nonfiction text structures; cause and effect, main idea and supporting details, and sequence. Thank you for encouraging your students to read at home, it makes a large impact.

Honors

Earning their 1st honors are: Rowan Nielsen, Emerald Day, Reese Hokanson, and Garner Dunlap
Earning their 2nd honors is: Dane Hathaway.
Congratulations to these students! They have worked really hard to earn this.

Milk Variety Served Daily:

View Milk Nutritionals

Afton, Etna, Osmond, Thayne

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

JANUARY

Breakfast



No School!

5	Breakfast Pizza -or- Cocoa Cherry Bar Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Watermelon Craisins Diced Pear Cup	6	Vanilla Waffle -or- Trix Cereal String Cheese --Served With-- Applesauce Cup Fruit Punch	7	Big Daddy Biscuit & Gravy -or- Bug Bite Grahams Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Zee Zee Dried Fruit Fresh Orange	8	Fluffy Golden Pancake -or- Cinnamon Chex Cereal String Cheese --Served With-- Fresh Strawberries Grape Juice	9	Donut Holes -or- Campfire Smore's Bar Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Diced Cinnamon Apples Diced Peach Cup
12	Pancake Wrap -or- Cocoa Cherry Bar Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Watermelon Craisins Applesauce Cup	13	Mini Cinnis -or- Trix Cereal String Cheese --Served With-- Mixed Fruit Cup Apple Juice	14	Pancake Sausage Griddle Muffin -or- Bug Bite Grahams Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Diced Peach Cup Emoji Fries	15	Maple Iced Little John -or- Cinnamon Chex Cereal String Cheese --Served With-- Diced Cinnamon Apples Very Berry Juice	16	
19	Apple Frudel -or- Cocoa Cherry Bar Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Watermelon Craisins Diced Pear Cup	20	Egg & Cheese Muffin -or- Trix Cereal String Cheese --Served With-- Applesauce Cup Fruit Punch	21	Mini Strawberry Bagel -or- Campfire Smore's Bar Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Zee Zee Dried Fruit Mandarin Orange Cup	22	Maple Iced Little John -or- Cocoa Cherry Bar String Cheese --Served With-- Diced Cinnamon Apples Grape Juice	23	Breakfast Burrito -or- Campfire Smore's Bar Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Zee Zee Dried Fruit Diced Peach Cup
26	Banana Bread -or- Campfire Smore's Bar Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Diced Pear Cup Watermelon Craisins	27	Ham & Swiss Croissant -or- Trix Cereal String Cheese --Served With-- Diced Peach Cup Apple Juice	28	Blueberry Muffin -or- Bug Bite Grahams Strawberry Yogurt --Served With-- Diced Cinnamon Apples Zee Zee Dried Fruit	29	Mini Apple Bites -or- Cinnamon Chex Cereal String Cheese --Served With-- Fresh Orange Very Berry Juice	30	





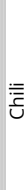
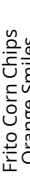
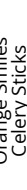
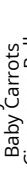











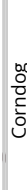
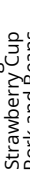
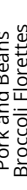
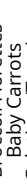





















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Lunch

January 2026

Afton and Thayne

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