

October 23, 2023

# APA-West Valley 1 Newsletter



5<sup>th</sup> Grade Cell Model Best of Grade Finalists & White Ribbon Week commitments to find balance in our day!  
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## Calendar

### \*Newly added dates to this list

- Every Wednesday 4th-6th Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!
- Every Thursday K-3rd Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!
- Most Fridays Friday Clubs – Pickup at 4:30pm
  
- Monday, Oct 23 Welcome back to school! Term 2 begins.
- **Tuesday, Oct 24** **Early Dismissal 12:15/12:35 (Professional Development) No Sistema**
- Thursday, Oct 26 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event 12:25-2:50 (Volunteer Opportunity!)
- Friday, Oct 27 No Sistema / No Friday Clubs
- Wednesday, Nov 1 Parent/Teacher Conferences – by appointment - 3-8pm
- Thursday, Nov 2 Parent/Teacher Conferences – by appointment – 3-8pm
- Friday, Nov 3 No School for Students (Conference Comp Day for teachers)
- Sunday, Nov 5 Daylight Savings Time ends. Clocks fall back one hour.
- Monday, Nov 6 WV1 Veterans Day Assembly 1:00pm
- Tuesday, Nov 7 WV1 Landtrust Meeting 9:00am
- Friday, Nov 10 Friday Clubs
- Tuesday, Nov 14 Monthly Parent Empowerment Zoom 7-8:15pm (Mental Wellness)
- Thursday, Nov 16 School Picture Retake Day
- Thursday, Nov 16 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Day Event 12:25-2:50 (Volunteer Opportunity!)
- Friday, Nov 17 Midterm Missing Work Deadline
- Friday, Nov 17 Spirit Day! Students can wear their APA Spirit Wear / Friday Clubs
- November 22-24 No School – Thanksgiving Break
- Friday, December 1 Spirit Day! Students can wear their APA Spirit Wear / Friday Clubs
- Tuesday, Dec 6 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Fair
- Friday, December 8 Term 2 Missing Work Deadline / Friday Clubs
- Tuesday, Dec 12 Sistema Winter Concert 6:00pm
- Wednesday, Dec 13 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Winter Music Concert 6:00pm
- Thursday, Dec 14 RU STORE FOR 2<sup>nd</sup> TERM
- Friday, Dec 15 Spirit Day! Students can wear their APA Spirit Wear / Friday Clubs
- Tuesday, Dec 19 Early Dismissal 12:15/12:25 / End of Term 2 / Reports Cards come home
- Dec 20-Jan 2 Winter Break
- Wednesday, Jan 3 Term 3 begins

## October Builders Theme: I am a Builder when I am perfectly honest.

Almost any child can tell you that part of being perfectly honest is telling the truth. And they are correct! It is such an important part of being perfectly honest. Here's a few questions to ask yourself about telling the truth:

Do I tell the truth even when it is hard to do or when I know I might get in trouble? *That is being perfectly honest!*

Do I leave out information to make someone think things happened differently than what really happened? Do I tell what the other person did—but not what I did? *That's not perfectly honest or telling the complete truth.*

Can my friends and family always count on me to be honest and tell the truth, the first time I am asked? *If you said yes, you are on your way to being a perfectly honest Builder and your friends and family have trust in you!* Builders are perfectly honest—a gift to others and a life-long gift to yourself!

## Parent/Teacher Conferences – Are You Signed Up? Nov 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> – by appointment

The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you at our first, mandatory parent/teacher conferences! Our conferences are on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> from 3-8 pm and Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3-8 pm and are by appointment. Emails with the signup links were sent the week before break! If you have not signed up for a conference time, please look for that email from your homeroom teacher. If you haven't received it, please email your teacher and ask for the link again.

## Safety Reminders at School—Students MAY NOT carry medication (Week 2 of 3)

Parents—please share this information with any person who helps care for your children. NO MEDICATION can be sent to school with children. Students MAY NOT self-administer any medication—**not even cough drops and vitamins**. If you feel your student needs medication during the school day, you may come in and give it to them yourself or you can leave it in the front office after completing a form allowing the office to administer it. **Please see Parent-Student Handbook, pg.33 Medications and P.49-51 Infractions and Banned Items.**

**Banned Items** Additionally, please review the infraction and banned items list with your children. We have had two recent incidents where a banned item was brought in a backpack. Even if brought innocently, it can result in serious discipline consequences. The listed items are never allowed on campus.

## Character Development—5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event on Thursday 10/26

Our Galaxy Quest Ambassador Event is coming up for our 5<sup>th</sup> graders this Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 12:25-2:50. They are going to have an OUT OF THIS WORLD TIME learning how they can choose to be: Friendly, Strong, Mindful, Healthy and Smart! If you would like to volunteer, we would love to have your help. Please text or email Ms. Jamie Jackson (801-455-3042) if you can help. And 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents--don't forget CARPOOL PICK UP will be AFTER 2:50, so please wait until 2:45 to enter the parking lot. Thanks so much!

## Volunteering: Did you fill out the volunteer survey at the beginning of the year? (Week 3 of 3)



WV1 Parents—did you take the opportunity to complete the Volunteer Availability survey at the beginning of the year? This will give us information about how you would like to volunteer, the best times for you, how much notice you need to be able to arrange your schedule—all kinds of great information! If you have not, would you take a couple minutes and complete it? If you have any questions, please send an email to our FSO (Family/School Organization) leadership (Celeste Lopez, Angie Van Leeuwen and Madison Parsons) at [wv1fso@apamail.org](mailto:wv1fso@apamail.org).

[Volunteer Availability Survey](#)

## Free English Classes! (Every week it fits! ☺)

If you are interested in learning English or improving your English, come and join our adult English classes. They are free and open to anyone in the community. Bring a friend and come! Mondays and Tuesdays from 2:30-3:30pm. Check in at the front office when you arrive.

## Are you on ALMA? (Every week it fits! ☺)

Our grading program, ALMA, is accessible to you 24/7 to view your students grades and to be aware of any work that has not been turned in or can be redone for a better score. If you have not activated your ALMA account, please email Mrs. Ferlo or Ms. Cannon in the academic office and they will help you get started. [mferlo@apamail.org](mailto:mferlo@apamail.org) or [hcannon@apamail.org](mailto:hcannon@apamail.org)

## Report Your Volunteer Hours and Donations (Included every week)

### Do you have volunteer hours to report for 1<sup>st</sup> term?

Did you help at Lights On? Did you come to the Day of Service? (Be sure you report hours for each family member that came and worked!) Did you go on a field trip? Did you watch the Parent Empowerment Zoom meeting? (You can report 2 hours of volunteer time for that!) Have you helped here at school or made donations to the classroom? Have your family/carpool # close by and take a minute to report these! Please use this link to report them. It is included on the back of your carpool tag as well. <https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JkSc535Lb8>

