APA-WEST VALLEY 1 NEWSLETTER

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Before the break, 4th Grade celebrated the completion of their World Civilizations unit in History with a Medieval Festival

Calendar *New dates added

Every Wednesday

• Every Thursday

Mondays & Fridays

Fridays

November 27-29

Wednesday, December 4*

• Thursday, December 5

• Friday, December 6

• Tuesday, December 10*

• Friday, December 13

December 13, 14 & 16*

• Tuesday, December 17

• Wednesday, December 18

• Friday, December 20

• Friday, December 20

• December 23-Jan 3

Monday, January 6

4th-6th Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!

K-3rd Show-What-You-Know Assembly @ 8:15 am. Parents are always welcome!

Free Adult English Classes @ 2:30-3:15

Friday Clubs -3:50-4:30pm.

Thanksgiving Break - No School

Free Waterford Training for parents – Zoom Meeting at 7pm

Annual Donation Drive Begins - Rock the Socks!

Friday APA School Spirit Day

Free Waterford Training for K-2 parents – Zoom Meeting at 7pm (flyer at end)

6th Grade Science Fair – Volunteer Opportunity!

WV3 Drama Department presents: "A Christmas Carol" (flyer at end of newsletter)

Sistema Winter Concert @ 6:00pm

5th/6th Grade Winter Music Concert @ 6:00pm

RU Store for 2nd Term

End of Term 2 – Report Cards - Early Dismissal 12:15/12:35

Winter Break - No School

Term 3 Begins

November Builder Theme:

I Am a Builder When I Express Gratitude Through Word & Deed



Please let us take a moment to express our gratitude to you, APA-West Valley 1 parents. Thank you for sharing your beautiful children with us. Thank you for washing uniforms and checking homework and signing learning plans. Thank you for remembering lunches and dockets and for hunting down all-black shoes. Thank you for all the things you do to help your students be ready for a successful day here at school. Thank you for caring about your student's education. Thank you coming to parent-teacher conferences. Thank you for volunteering your time and sharing your resources

through donations—your help makes so many things possible! Thank you for the friendly waves at carpool. Thank you for pulling all the way forward before you let your students out of the car. And thank you for being a newsletter reader! Please enjoy this month's Character Development Builder video on "Gratitude" that the students enjoyed during their lunch time. **Express Gratitude (November)**

K-3 Parents! Free Training from Waterford

Waterford is offering some free Professional Development for our parents! During the zoom meeting, they will go over the home component of our Waterford program, teach parents how to use the full site, teach you how to access your child's progress data and answer any questions or concerns. This can be for any grade student, including our kindergarten parents (whose students do the program in school and at home.) See the flyer at the end of the newsletter for the QR link to the zoom meetings. They are offering these on Wednesday, December 4 and on Tuesday, December 10. They will offering them in English and Spanish (use the appropriate QR code to link to the language you prefer.)

Winter Wear Reminders: Coats, Jackets, Sweaters & Boots

COATS & JACKETS & SWEATERS: Cold weather is officially here! Please be sure that your student comes to school with a coat or warm jacket for wearing outside. We work hard and we play hard at APA—and your student will be outside for recess multiple times during the day! These are NOT worn in class, so provide your student with a navy uniform sweater if they want an extra layer while inside. If you need assistance with a coat, please contact Ms. Gamez. mgamez@apamail.org.

BOOTS: When snow is on the ground, students may wear snow boots to wear to and from school and out to recess. They should change into their school shoes once they are inside. K-6 girls may wear all black dress boots as a shoe option during terms 2, 3 & 4. These should be low-heeled and plain without distracting decorations.

LABELS: Be sure you write your students name on all items so they can be identified and returned to them if they are turned in.

LOST & FOUND: If you are missing something, please check the lost & found rack in the main hallway. Unclaimed items are donated to charity at the end of every term.

2024 Donation Drive KICKOFF at our assemblies on Dec 4 & 5 "ROCK THE SOCKS"



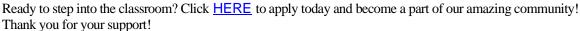
ROCK THE SOCKS! Each year, all the APA campuses participate in a donation drive to benefit those in need in our communities. This year we will be collecting sock donations for the homeless. These can be new socks of any size, color, or style for men, women and children. Our donations will be delivered to organizations assisting the homeless.

Students can bring their sock donations to their homeroom classes beginning Thursday, December 5. The donation drive runs from December 5 through December 18. In 2021, our campus staff and families donated 3,631 pairs of socks! This year our goal is 4,000 pairs of socks! Won't that be an amazing thing to watch our donation boxes fill up! Watch

our progress towards our goal as we "clip up" down the length of the school through the hallway!

Join Our Team as a Substitute Teacher! (Week 4 of 4)

We're excited to announce that we're hiring substitutes at our West Valley 1 campus! This is a fantastic opportunity to make a difference in our students' lives while enjoying a flexible schedule. If you have a passion for education and a desire to support our dedicated teachers, we want to hear from you!





Adult English Classes – Free to the community!

For anyone hoping to improve their English speaking skills, our adult English classes have begun! All are welcome to come join the class, taught by our wonderful ELL instructor, Mr. Gonzales. English classes are held on Mondays and Fridays from 2:30-3:15. No need to sign up...just come!

Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA) Plans (Week 1 of 2)

The 2023-24 Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA) Plans are available on <u>americanprep.org</u> under Parent Resources, Plans and Reports titled "Teacher and Student Success Act Plan (TSSA)" Or you may find our campus TSSA Plans by going directly to this link: https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/FY25-TSSA-Plan-WV1.pdf

School Improvement Plan (SIP) and Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) Plan (Week 1 of 2)

The 2023-24 School Improvement Plan is available on <u>americanprep.org</u> under Parent Resources, Plans and Reports, "School Improvement Plan." The TSI goals are included in this plan and marked in the far left column. Or you may find our campus SIP by going directly to this link: https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/West-Valley-1-2025-School-Improvement-Plan-including-TSI-Plan.pdf

Title IA Schoolwide Plan (Week 1 of 2)

The 2023-24 Title IA Schoolwide Improvement Plan is available on <u>americanprep.org</u> under Parent Resources, Plans and Reports, "Title IA Schoolwide Plan" Or you may find our campus Plan by going directly to this link: https://www.americanprep.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/West-Valley-1-2025-Title-IA-Schoolwide-Plan-English.pdf

Enrollment Open for 2025-2026 School Year

It is that exciting time of year where we have officially opened our enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year. Below is important information regarding how to re-enroll your current student(s), enroll a new sibling to APA, and/or submit a campus transfer request. For questions please reach out to our campus registrar, Mrs. Gamez, at maganez@apamail.org

Current Students: Re-Enrollment Process - REQUIRED and time sensitive

- 1. Re-Enroll online: Log in to your Skyward Family Access account.
 - a. Click 2026 School Year Re-Enrollment
- b. Fill out and complete the re-enrollment information for each student you currently have enrolled at APA and do this **by January 26, 2025**
- 2. Attend a Celebration of Excellence meeting (these meetings will be held at the school campus in April 2025).
- 3. Ensure your student qualifies for promotion to the next grade or meet with an administrator to discuss.

New Siblings:

If you would like to enroll a new student that is a sibling of a currently enrolled student, you can do so <u>here</u> to and be sure and apply **by January 1st.** Siblings have priority enrollment before lottery students if they are in the application system prior to our first lottery which will run on January 7th.

Campus Transfers of currently enrolled students:

If you would like to request a campus transfer for your student(s) please feel out this form by January 1st, 2025.

New Families

We would love to welcome new families to APA! If you know of any friends or family that may be interested in attending APA, they begin the application process on our website at americanprep.org/applynow

Volunteering at APA



<u>THANK YOU</u> to the parents who came to help us prep for our "Rock the Socks" donation drive. Your response was so quick—the email was sent and volunteers responded in under two minutes! WOW!

<u>THANK YOU</u> to the parent volunteers who helped with the 4th Grade Medieval Festival. Volunteers donated food, came early to set up and decorate, assisted through the activities and stayed to clean up! The 4th graders loved it!

<u>THANK YOU</u> to the parents who have accepted positions on the "PAC" Parent Advisory Committee. We appreciate your interest in participating in this important role and look forward to your feedback and perspective as we make school plans.

Current/Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:

Science Fair Judge!

Please consider volunteering as a judge for our West Valley 1 School Science Fair on Friday afternoon, December 13. All of our 6th grade students participate in the school science fair and the more judges we have, the more amazing this experience is for them.

You don't have to be a 6th grade parent--or even an APA parent--to judge the fair. We welcome all parents with an interest in science and welcome your friends also! Judging a science fair can be super fun and helps give our students interview and presentation experience. Science fairs are not possible without many people generously donating their time to judge. We are hoping to have 40 judges signed up to help. Signup Genius for Science Fair Judging



Reporting Your Volunteer Hours (Every week!)

Thank you for volunteering! This link and QR code to report hours will be at the end of every newsletter. Report Volunteer Hours







Scan here to join us online to learn more about how your child can access Waterford from home and how you can view your child's progress on Waterford and gain access to hundreds of resources.



waterford.zoom.us/j/82633468781

Attend whichever session works best for you and get entered to win a gift card:

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 7 PM Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 6 PM





