April 8, 2024

APA-West Valley 1 Newsletter



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Calendar

Every Wednesday
 Every Thursday
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 Show-What-You-Know" assembly @ 8:15 Parents are always welcome!

• Most Fridays Friday Clubs: Pickup at 4:30 p.m.

• Tuesday/Thursdays 8:30 am/6:30 pm. School tours and new student assessments by appointment

Monday, April 8 Welcome back to school! Term 5 begins

Tuesday, April 9 Parent Empowerment Zoom – Topic: Resili

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Friday, April 12 Spirit Wear Friday! Tuesday, April 16 K-3 Field Trips

Tuesday, April 16 WV1 Land Trust Meeting @ 8:00 am.

Tuesday, April 16 Freedom's Light Elementary Constitution Bee. 4-8 pm. Good luck Constitution Team!

Thursday, April 18 Utah's Great Shakeout Day – Earthquake Drill

Tuesday, April 23 4-6 Field Trips

Friday, April 26 Midterm Work Deadline Friday, April 26 Final Day of Clubs

Friday, April 26 All Campus Art Show @ WV2 5-7pm Saturday, April 27 All Campus Art Show @ WV2 10-12 noon

Tuesday, April 30 Sistema Final Concert @ 6pm

Friday, May 3 Spirit Wear Friday

May 6-24 Elementary End-of-Year testing weeks. Please-no scheduled absences!

Friday, May 10 "Lights Off" Family Event 3:30-5:30pm / More info coming!

Thursday, May 16 Volunteer Assembly & Brunch and Welcome to New Kinders! 8:15-10:00am.

Friday, May 17 Spirit Wear Friday

Friday, May 17 Term 5 Final Work Deadline for Kindergarten

Saturday, May 18 APA District Fun Run 9:30-11:30am / More info coming!

Monday, May 20 Memorial Day Assembly 1:30pm

Tuesday, May 21 1st Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm Tuesday, May 21 4th Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 6:30pm

Wednesday, May 22 Term 5 Final Work Deadline for Grades 1-6

Wednesday, May 22 2nd Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm 5th Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 6:30pm

Thursday, May 23 Character Development End of Year Assembly 1:00pm

Thursday, May 23 3rd Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm

Day & Time TBD 6th Grade End of Year Concert & Program

Friday, May 24 Last Day of Kindergarten / SWYK Program 9:30am

Friday, May 24 Last Day of Sistema

Monday, May 27 Memorial Day – No School Tuesday, May 28 Campus Cleanup & Yearbook Day Wednesday, May 29 Field Day Fun - 12:15 Dismissal

Thursday, May 30 Last Day of School – 12:15 Dismissal

April Builder Theme:

I am a builder when I use kind and courteous words

Words are powerful and when we make the conscious, daily decision to use kind and courteous words, it can transform someone's day in ways we might not even imagine. Gretchen Schmeizer wrote, "I think we sometimes think of kind words as just being nice. And what I am trying to say is that a couple kind words can be the reason you know you exist. The reason you know you matter. You have this power. We all have this power. To share a note. A card. A couple of kind words. A few sentences. To bolster hope. Help people see in themselves the spark that we see in them. Your throwaway line. Your 15-minute card. Your thoughtful letter. Your text letting them know you are rooting for them on their big day. Your kind words can literally be the fuel of someone's future." (http://gretchenschmelzer.com/blog-1/2023/8/2/the-life-changing-power-of-a-kind-word)
We are builders when we make a habit of using kind and courteous words!

Virtual Parent Empowerment: Raising Resilient Kids – Tuesday 4/9 @ 7pm

It's no secret that our society is a tough place to be for our kids. The world seems smaller, faster, and more challenging than before. Sometimes we want to just hide our children away so they are protected. What we really need is for our kids to become more resilient and able to handle the difficulties of the world. We will talk about what this means and how to help to empower our children to manage whatever comes their way during our final Virtual Parent Empowerment Night for the year. We will meet on Tuesday, April 9th at 7pm. Come join us! Join Zoom Meeting https://uetn-org.zoom.us/j/85391367705

K-3 Field Trips next Tuesday 4/16! 4-6 Field Trips the Following Week on 4/23!

Spring field trips are just around the corner! *Thank you to those parents who have completed the fingerprinting requirements to be chaperones for these events.* A list of parents able to chaperone has been shared with the teachers. Parents who complete the process will receive a clearance letter from HR. If you received a clearance letter but this is not indicated on the "approved" list we received from HR, please let us know asap so we can verify with HR.

This mandatory fingerprinting process is required by the state of Utah for chaperones and other volunteers working with students (this could be at school events, as chaperones on field trips, during after school clubs, or other time spent in a supervisory capacity with students.) Appointments can be made using this link: <u>SIGN UP HERE!</u> Fingerprinting is being done at the West Valley 2 campus and at the district offices in Draper.



If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Brenna Fontaine at bfontaine@apamail.org.

Annual Parent Surveys! Final Count - 97.04% Participation! THANK YOU!

Thank you, parents for taking time to complete your annual parent survey and for sharing your valuable feedback. (And thank you for using your family/carpool # so we knew which classes to give credit to! ②) Across the district, participation was high—the highest it has ever been. Our APA parents are truly the best! We look forward to receiving the data about our school's performance that those surveys provide. Here were our participation totals by grade. WELL DONE, EVERYONE!

6th Grade – 100% (1st to reach that goal!) 2nd Grade – 100% (2nd to reach that goal!) Kindergarten – 100% (3rd to reach that goal!) 3rd Grade – 100% (4th to reach that goal!) 1st Grade - 91.07% 4th Grade – 94.55% 5th Grade – 95.31%

Order Your Yearbook Online – Limited Number Still Available for Purchase

Sales continue for our beautiful 2023-2024 yearbooks. What a fantastic way to capture the memories of this 2023-2024 school year! The yearbook has been submitted to the printer—with a request to print 200 books. We have already sold over half of those—so order soon if you haven't already! Students will receive and enjoy signing each other's yearbooks on Tuesday, May 28! These are ordered online at purchaseyearbook.com with our campus code: APAWV1YB24. The cost is \$30.

Community News – Free Passes (Ages 5-18) to Salt Lake County Rec Centers

Salt Lake County Parks & Recreation is offering a free "My County Rec Pass" to Salt Lake County residents ages 5-18. This great pass gets children in free to any participating rec center during the summer. Pre-Registration is happening now—in person—at one of the listed centers. The pass activates on June 1. See the flyer on the last page of the newsletter for more info.

2024-2025 Urgent Enrollment Need Across the District – Can you Spread the Word?

Hello American Prep families! We have a special request to make of all our parents and staff. This year is the last year we will receive the federal funding that we have received since COVID. This means that we will be faced with cutting programs or staff positions UNLESS we can add students to our schools. We prefer to add students!

But to do this, we need your help! Over 90% of our new students hear about our school through friends or family members. This means that YOU are our BEST AMBASSADORS! We have opened new classes at our schools for next year and need to increase enrollment by 300 students district-wide. We currently have about 5,000 students and we need 5,300 in order to keep our programs in place. Today we sent home a flyer with your child. Please take a picture of it and send it to as many people as you can. The flyer is also attached to today's newsletter. Campuses will be holding evening open houses after spring break. The flyer has a QR code that lists the Open House dates, times and addresses.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP IN BRINGING APA TO 300 MORE LUCKY STUDENTS!



Breakfast! If you would like to participate in the breakfast program, order online the same way you order school

lunches. https://apalunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net/

Cost: \$1.50

Cost for students who qualify for free or reduced price meals--\$0.00 Sample Menus – the following main items will be rotated, along with a variety of fruit and vegetables.

Order Meals Online

- Muffin & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk
- Yogurt, wheat crackers, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk
- Cheese stick, graham crackers, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk
- Bagel, cream cheese, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk

Gluten free – Yogurt, cheese stick, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk Dairy free – Hummus, Fritos, & fruit, with a choice of baby carrots, vegetable, white milk

FSO (Family/School Organization) Corner

If you have any questions about volunteering, please contact us!

FSO Leadership: Celeste Lopez, Madison Parsons - wv1fso@apamail.org

Do you have volunteer and donation hours to report? (Included every week)

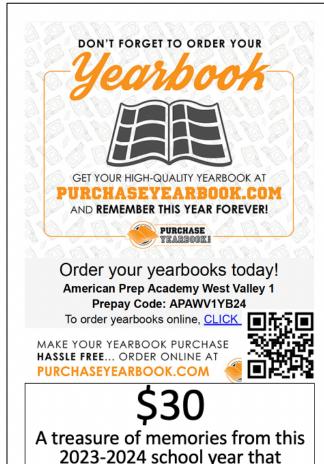
Use this link to report them. It is also included on the back of the carpool label. Please include your Family/Carpool #.

https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JjkSc535Lb8









you'll enjoy for years to come!