# APA-West Valley 1 Newsletter







Some of the fun at Lights Off! American Prep-West Valley 1: 801-839-3613 / Website @ https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/

#### Calendar

\*Newly added to the calendar

May 6-24	Elementary End-of-Year testing weeks. Please-no scheduled absences!
Monday, May 20	Memorial Day Assembly 1:30pm. Live Stream Link: <a href="https://vimeo.com/event/4301417">https://vimeo.com/event/4301417</a>
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	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm
Wednesday, May 22	5 <sup>th</sup> 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	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade End of Year "Show-What-You-Know" Program 5:30pm
Friday, May 24	Last Day of Kindergarten / SWYK Program 9:30am
Friday, May 24	Final Day of Sistema and Sistema Awards Ceremony
Monday, May 27	Memorial Day – No School
Tuesday, May 28	Campus Cleanup & Yearbook Day – Parent Volunteer Opportunity!
Wednesday, May 29	Field Day Fun - 12:15 Dismissal – Parent Volunteer Opportunity!
Thursday, May 30	6th Grade End of Year Concert & Graduation Program 11:00-12:00
Thursday, May 30	Last Day of School – 12:15 Dismissal – 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Volunteer Opportunity!

### **May Builder Theme:**

## I am a builder when I am utterly reliable.

In becoming and being a person who is utterly reliable, there is this side to consider: being realistic with yourself in what commitments you are able to take on. It is unhelpful to others and discouraging to yourself to say "yes" to things that you are realistically unable to follow through on. So consider carefully when you are making commitments. Be honest with yourself and with others and know that sometimes we need to say "no" or "not this time". But when we do say "yes" and we have made a commitment, builders do everything in their power to be utterly reliable.

# **Lights Off – Thank You After School Staff!**

A big thank you to Connie McCullough, our Afterschool Director, and her wonderful afterschool staff for all the planning and preparation that went into the amazing "Lights Off" family event on Friday, May  $10^{th}$ ! Thank you also to all of you who brought your children to enjoy the fun and activities, thank you to our club mentors who provided Friday Clubs throughout the year and Lights Off fun, thank you to the staff and parents who volunteered and kept things running, and thank you to the community partners who came to share information and show their support! It was a great day at APA! In looking forward, watch for "Lights On" in September—a kick off to the year and the day that Friday Club signups will first be available!

#### **Curriculum Deadline Dates**

All library and textbooks are due this week. Please check with your student to ensure that they have all books to turn in. Any books not turned in by Friday will be marked lost and charged to your student's account. Please pay any fines promptly. Students who have all their books turned in and have no outstanding fees will earn a CASUAL DRESS day on May 29—Field Day.

Please note the following dates for book check outs and returns.

May 23: All Math and Reading books for 1st-6th grades are due

May 24: All 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade library books are due. Band & Orchestra books are due. Fees for missing or damaged books need to be paid.

May 29: Field Day. CASUAL DRESS for all students who have their books turned in and have no out-standing fees to be paid.

### Memorial Day Commemoration—A Beautiful Program

Monday was our campus's annual Memorial Day Commemoration. Through music and words and dramatic presentations, we learned about how Memorial Day first began and why it is still so important that we remember and honor those that gave their lives in service to their country. Drama and band students from West Valley 3 came and participated in the

program. We learned what we would do and how we would act if we attended a memorial for a fallen soldier, we practiced a minute of silence, heard Taps played and watched a solemn flag folding as it might be done at a soldier's funeral. The students were able to show respect and gratitude for our honored Gold Star Family guests—Colleen & Stan Parkin, whose son, Matthew Smith, lost his life while serving in Iraq. Our students did a beautiful job as they shared the special songs and poems that helped us understand the meaning and importance of Memorial Day. The program was live-streamed and is available to watch. https://vimeo.com/event/4301417



### APA District Fun Run 2024 – Thank You!



It was a beautiful Saturday and a beautiful location for the 2024 Fun Run. Thank you for your support of this district event that benefits our teachers through the Teaching in Excellence Fund. Our campus contributed \$1907 through registrations and even more through additional donations and participation in the silent auction. To see the top finishers in each race and age group, you can use this link: Fun Run Finalists Remember that Fun Run t-shirts can be worn on any Spirit Wear Day.

## End of Year Volunteering—Just 2 More Big Events We Would Love Parent Help With!

If you have time to help next week—we need you!

Tuesday 5/28 is our "Campus Cleaning Day". The students will be doing most of the work, but parent help and supervision always makes this go smoother. On the signup, you can sign up to help with a specific class—or you can sign up to "help anywhere". Come for all day—or just part of the day! Campus Clean up



Wednesday 5/29 is our Field Day for 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades. The teachers are planning the activities—but need parent help at the different stations. This would be 8-12...four hours of volunteering FUN, FUN, FUN! This is a 12:15 dismissal day, so you could grab your kids and go when you are done! Field Day Sign up



# 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

