# **APA-WEST VALLEY 1 NEWSLETTER**

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#### Calendar

Monday-Thurs 10-2pm July Summer Office Hours

Tuesdays 12:30pm & 6:30pm School Tours & Enrollment Information Meetings—Let your friends know!

Tuesday, July 30 12-6pm Uniform Sale @ West Valley 1

August 1 Sistema Utah Application will be open online (Grades 2-6)

August 5-9 School Office Closed / Staff will be off-campus for Training Week Friday, August 16, 1-3pm Meet & Greet Open House – Class Lists Posted—Meet your teacher!

Wednesday, August 21 First Day of School

Wednesday, August 21 First Day of Sistema Afterschool Program Aug 21, 22, 23 12:15 dismissal days for Kindergarten only

Thursday, Aug 29, 6-8pm Parent "Back to School" Orientation

#### **Summer Builder Theme:**

### I am a builder when I respect my body and mind.

West Valley 1 families—hello! We hope this summer is being a well-earned break for our hard-working students, staff and parents! School won't be starting for another three and a half weeks—still plenty of time to enjoy your summer routine, finding activities that will help your children keep their bodies active and their minds alert. Take advantage of the beautiful weather to visit parks or hike in the canyons. Find time to play outside. Make regular trips to your local library. As we all know, screen time can take over a day if you let it—help your children with reasonable limits on how much time they are 'sitting and watching' instead of being 'up and doing'.

Keeping their minds alert is what their Summer Stay-Sharp packets are all about. The goal is NOT to rush through and "finish" but to spend just a little time each day keeping their skills sharp and their brains active. If you haven't spent much time on summer packet work yet, you have 3 ½ weeks to make this part of your daily routine! Remember to read carefully through the first page of the packet, which describes each of the activities your student should do for their grade level. Use the calendar to record minutes spent reading and minutes spent on Khan Academy on fun math practice. Practice those math facts daily until they can consistently do them in under two minutes with no errors! A few minutes spent each day will have your student "ready to roll" when school begins! Builders respect their bodies and minds!

## Summer "Stay Sharp" Packets – When to Turn Them In?

Returning students—your summer packets can be turned into your teacher at the Meet & Greet on Friday, August 16 or they can be turned in during the first three days of school. New students are not required to do a "stay sharp" packet, but if you would like a copy to see what it is all about, come by the school during office hours and we will give you one.

## **Looking for a Few More Great Employees!**

Parents—APA has openings for the following positions. If you have friends or family members that might be interested, will you please share this information with them and encourage them to apply? Our training begins on August 5 and we hope to have all of our new APA employees participate in that!

We are looking for instructors - we provide all training and no license is required.

We are looking for 2 elementary teachers.

We are looking for substitute teachers.

We are looking for 1 math teacher.

We are looking for 2 Assistant Special Education Teachers (ASETS) - special education aides.

Details and additional open positions can be found on the website <a href="www.americanprep.org/careers">www.americanprep.org/careers</a> or directly accessed through the careers page. <a href="https://www.paycomonline.net/v4/ats/web.php/jobs?clientkey=C126D0FB88263FB854A5139FECF46E55">https://www.paycomonline.net/v4/ats/web.php/jobs?clientkey=C126D0FB88263FB854A5139FECF46E55</a>

### A Message from the Character Development Team:

Hello West Valley One Parents! We hope you are having a wonderful summer break! We know how important it is for our incredible students to have a bit of a brain break and to soak in some sunshine and enjoy their families and friends.

#### **SAVE THE DATES:**

Our team is already hard at work planning next year. Here are some dates to put on your calendars now!

**AUGUST 16<sup>th</sup> 1-3pm:** This is our annual Meet and Greet. Come find your new classrooms and meet your teachers!

**AUGUST 21st: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!** 

AUGUST 29th: PARENT ORIENTATION. Please put this on your calendars now! This will be an important night for ALL of our parents to attend. Find out there how you can join the Parent

Volunteer Brigade, get valuable information from your children's teachers, and more.

**SEPTEMBER 19th**: SIXTH GRADE students will have their ambassador activity "TAKE

FLIGHT". We love our parent volunteers! Learn more at Parent Orientation!

**SEPTEMBER 26th:** FIFTH GRADE students will have their ambassador activity

"FRIENDSHIP". We love our parent volunteers! Learn more at Parent Orientation!

Enjoy your summer off... we look forward to seeing you on August 16th! We won't be able to stop smiling when we see our amazing students again.

### Looking for "Uniform OOPS" Help

During the second week of August, the staff will be on campus for a week of work and training and a little fun. One of the topics we will be covering is uniforms and we would LOVE to have some photos of our students to help with this. We will be training the staff on what a correct uniform looks like and how to identify uniform "OOPS"—things that are missing or not quite right with a uniform. Here are some "OOPS" we've seen in the past—to give you an idea of what we're looking for.

#### **SOME UNIFORM "OOPS" IDEAS:**

Boys & Girls: Shoes that aren't all black Boys & Girls: Distracting jewelry Boys & Girls: Holes or tears

Boys & Girls: Wearing a white shirt without a blue sweater or sweater vest (except for K-3 girls wearing jumpers. No sweater required.)

Boys: Khaki pants that are jean style, or cargo style or jogger style (with elastic around the ankle) instead of uniform style

Boys: Khaki pants that are too dark or too light in color

Girls: Navy pants that are leggings or skinny jean style instead of uniform style pants (remembering that leggings CAN be worn under a jumper/skirt...but not alone as pants)

Girls: Head scarf or hair accessories that aren't in school colors

Girls: Jumpers/skirts that are too short (should come to the knee)

#### **4-6 SPECIFIC UNIFORM OOPS Ideas:**

Boys or Girls: Wearing a white polo shirt instead of a white blouse or dress shirt (polos are a K-3 uniform thing)

Boys or Girls: Wearing a light blue dress shirt instead of white (that's a Junior High uniform thing)

Boys or Girls: Wearing a button-down collar that isn't buttoned

Boys or Girls: Missing or wrong tie or crosstie – or a tie that isn't pulled up all the way

Boys or Girls: Sweater worn hanging off the shoulders, pants that aren't pulled up (belt needed?) or shirt untucked

If you have an "OOPS" picture to share, please email it to Mrs. Leavitt with the name and grade of your student. (<a href="mailto:lleavitt@apamail.org">lleavitt@apamail.org</a>) We will have a small thank you at the Meet & Greet for those students who shared "Uniform OOPS" photos ©

# **Congratulations Students for some Amazing Accomplishments!**

Over the next few newsletters, we'd like to recognize some students for some exceptional accomplishments during the past school year. These were awarded at the Awards Assemblies on the final day of school. In this newsletter, we will highlight our WIDA scholars and two student artists.

## \* Demonstrating Mastery on the WIDA ACCESS English Proficiency Test\*

Each year, students with a bilingual background take the state WIDA Access test—a challenging English proficiency test where students are tested in listening, speaking, reading and writing in English. This year, 3 of our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders, 13 of our 4<sup>th</sup> graders, 18 of our 5<sup>th</sup> graders and 5 of our 6<sup>th</sup> graders demonstrated their mastery of English on this year's assessment! And the especially great news for these 39 students? Now that they've passed the WIDA assessment, they won't have to take it again! © Congratulations students!

Lehi Almeida	3-Henderson
Yusuf Amiri	3-Henderson
Liam Aquino	3-Henderson
Julia Bautista Maldonado	4-Beard
Gabriel Bernal Mavare	4-Beard
Mia Bernal Pedroso	4-Beard
Tiffany Angelica Camayo Flores	4-Beard
Isabella Victoria Castellanos Duran	4-Beard
Yazmin Cervantes Escobedo	4-Brown
Enzo Gabriel Chacin	4-Brown
Sarahy Contreras Bojorquez	4-Brown
Carlos Falcon Bonalde	4-Brown
Angeles Garcia Fernandez	4-Tindell
Mateo Huerta Garcia	4-Tindell
Kelly Keo	4-Tindell
Elbet Lian	4-Tindell
Camaro Francisco Lucero	5-Bonzo
Sebastian Martinez	5-Bonzo
Jeremy Mendoza Romero	5-Bonzo
Irvin Yarel Mojica	5-Bonzo
Nestor Nava	5-Bonzo
Alex Nguyen	5-Bonzo
Luis Oliver Pacheco	5-Bonzo
Jasmin Oliver Salome	5-Hand
Jeremiah Ortiz	5-Hand
David Parongwa	5-Hand
Luis Perez Zelaya	5-Hand
Fredy Pineda	5-Hand
Ibad Ur Rahman	5-Hand
Zeneidy Razo Herrera	5-Hand
Hector Romero Flores	5-Hand
Angel Saldana	5-Hand
Ummair Salmah Bint	5-Hand
Kendra Sevillano Alegre	5-Hand
Lorenzo Kalisa Shami	6-Beebe
Karina Soto	6-Beebe
Khadija Taha	6-Crandall
Nyamal Epifania Thor	6-Fullmer
Venus Velazquez	6-Fullmer





# \* <u>Student Art</u>\*

It is one of our traditions to select a piece of K-3 art and a piece of 4-6 art each year to add to our West Valley 1 permanent collection of student art. This year, the beautiful art work of student artists Karen Fabian (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) and Gongchai Aimonnya (4<sup>th</sup> grade) received this honor.

More student achievement highlights to come!





## The Final Days of School – Thank you volunteers!

The final days of school were hugely successful thanks to the support of all of our amazing parent volunteers! From Kindergarten's special Show-What-You-Know day to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade's Graduation Breakfast and Walk of Honor, through our campus cleaning day (so much accomplished!) and our fun-filled Field Day—our parent volunteers were there and helping to make it happen! Please know how much you are appreciated. We could not do what we do without our parent support. If you haven't yet, please be sure to report those volunteer hours using the link below. We would love to record those 23-24 volunteer hours before we begin the new school year.

**Did you get all your 23-24 volunteer hours reported?** (Link included every week) Please use this link to report them. Be sure to include your Family/Carpool #. That is how your hours are linked to your family. <a href="https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JjkSc535Lb8">https://forms.gle/WEMFz3JjkSc535Lb8</a>

