

Draper 2 - School Calendar

December 15, 2017

Monday, December 18	Spirit Wear day!! Earned by bringing in so many hygiene items!!!
Tuesday, December 19	Last day of Term 2
Tuesday, December 19	Crazy sock and tie day!! Earned by blowing our Hygiene Heroes goal out of the water! We collected more than 5 times our goal, we will be having small, fun classroom activities this day as well.
Wed., Dec. 20-Mon., Jan. 1	Winter Break
Tuesday, January 2	Return to school 8:15 am
Monday, January 15	NO SCHOOL - MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
Wednesday, January 17	5 th Grade Maturation Night - Multi-purpose Room Boys - 6:00-7:00 pm Girls - 7:00-8:30 pm
Monday, January 22	Early Release Day - For ALL Elementary students. PM Kindergarten attends - No AM Kindergarten this day 12:15 - Blue/Orange 12:30 - Green/Yellow 12:45 - Tan/Grey

For further information about activities and events, please visit our website

<http://draper2.americanprep.org/>

Builder Theme for December “I am a Builder When I Look for Ways to Serve Others” (Kigatsuku)

Kigatsuku means “to notice; to become aware; to perceive; to realize.” We can think of it as “The desire to act without being told what to do” Another word might be service—and this is a great month to be of service to others.

Japan is a thriving economy currently ranked number three in the world. With a rich history and a true appreciation for culture. This amazing country has been among the world’s leaders for hundreds of years. With principles, honor and values, the people of Japan have been able to transform the world with their technology, art, and inspiration.

On March 11, 2011, a powerful, magnitude 9.0 earthquake hit northeastern Japan, triggering a tsunami, with 10-meter-high waves that reached the US west coast. People felt shaking in cities all over Honshu, Japan’s main island. Scientists have determined that the power of the waves moved the island of Honshu about 2.4 meters (or about 7 feet).

With hundreds of thousands of people displaced from their homes and cities, which were washed away by the tsunami, they met in special centers to get food, water, and clothing. There, the people waited quietly in lines that were blocks long. There was no pushing or shoving to get what they needed. There were no police who had to keep people in line and orderly. What was it that made the humble Japanese people like this? It was Kigatsuku.

Students, as we look around us this month, and throughout our life, let’s remember to have Kigatsuku or a strong desire to act, or help, or make good choices, WITHOUT being told what to do. Throughout this month, I would love to have you write me notes of ways you have served or seen Kigatsuku by others.

Band Concert

Last Friday evening, we were treated to an AMAZING concert from our Draper 2 and 3 Band students. Each group had prepared songs for the Holiday season. Many thanks to Dr. Katty Marin and Matt Wendell for working so diligently with our students to bring out the very best that they can be. We are so excited to hear just how much these musicians will grow and learn throughout the rest of the year!!

Orchestra Concert

Our amazing 6th Grade Orchestra had an opportunity to show off their new skills Thursday evening at their first Strings Concert. What a joy it was to hear the technical skills they've mastered and then how they've put their new skills to use playing some songs. KUDOS to our Orchestra students for working so hard to master new skills!

Help Needed in APA Daycare at the Early Learning Center

For over a year now, we have offered a fantastic service to our teachers and staff by providing low cost childcare for their children. We are in need of another caregiver at our Draper center. This is a great way to give back to the outstanding selfless work our teachers do for us everyday, and get paid for it! It would be a great position for a qualified parent of our school. The position works the same schedule as our kid's schedule. Perfect for a parent that has children at our Draper 1, 2 & 3 campuses, being that the center is located in the early learning center across the street from Draper 1.

Also, the Center is always in need of substitutes, if this is something you are interested in, please contact the number below.

Any interested applicants please contact the Jennifer Brown at 801-712-5832.

Carpool Corner

Please do not turn left into our driveway from Lone Peak Parkway during peak carpool times of 7:30-8:15 am and 3:10-4:00/2:10-3:00 pm. Turning left and forcing your way into oncoming traffic creates a dangerous situation. Please stay safe and enter our property from the north. Be considerate of our neighbors and take the extra time to go up the road north of the neighborhood to turn around.

In the mornings, please remember to stay in your car and have your students ready to unload with their backpacks. Getting out of the car to help your students out of the car can create unnecessary delays to all those parents waiting behind you. If you need extra time to help your student, please pull all the way up to the front of the unloading section so other cars can pull up to unload. Thank you for your cooperation.

Holiday Boutique Benefitted the Hardship Fund

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our 2nd Annual Holiday Boutique a success! We raised \$2,391.35 for APA's Hardship Fund.

Huge thanks goes to all of our wonderful volunteers who helped with planning, set-up, clean-up, and everything in between, Bell Photography for their donation of the backdrops, Waffle Love for filling in at the very last minute when our food truck didn't show up, and to all APA staff members who helped us with preparations. We couldn't have done it without you!

The hardship fund was created to provide relief to staff, students, and families who may experience unexpected crises such as medical bills, unexpected death, loss of income, etc. We receive both individual donations as well as fundraising contributions throughout the year for this worthy fund. <https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/hardship-fund/>

Reading University- From our Parent Student Handbook

RU Reading University, often referred to as “RU”, is a program of student independent reading. The purpose of the program is to encourage students to read regularly, outside of school hours, and to expose them to good literature. When students become enthusiastic readers, not only do they build their vocabulary and imaginations and understanding of the world, they most often see increased academic success in every subject. Time spent in independent reading has been shown to be a defining indicator in a student’s academic success.

Reading University is a graded subject in elementary and will be part of your student’s report card. The grade is based upon the number of books that your student reads each term. It is reported to the teacher by turning in the list of books (Title, Author and Parent Signature) each term. This is called the RU Log.

Each grade requires a different number of books to be completed for each term:

- Kindergarten—8 books per term
- 1st Grade—8 books per term
- 2nd Grade—6 books per term
- 3rd Grade—5 books per term
- 4th Grade—3 books per term
- 5th Grade—3 books per term
- 6th Grade—3 books per term

Books are selected from the Reading University book list. The RU book list is most easily accessed from the school website: <http://www.americanprep.org/>. Click on our campus—Draper 2 -- at the bottom of the page. Click on the “resources” tab at the top, then “Reading University”. The book lists can be viewed by grade, or books can be searched by title or author.

Other Reading University guidelines:

- Students can read books that are at or above their grade level or one grade level below. 3rd graders, for example, can read 2nd grade level books and up.
- Students can have books at or above their grade level read to them. This is always true for our beginning readers in K and 1st, but students in all grades can count 1 ‘read to’ book each term. For example, reading a book from the 6th grade list together as a family could count for each of your students.
- Books on tape may also be used--1 book per term. It is helpful to have a copy of the book as well so that your student may read along with the narrator.
- Books that are not on the RU list can also be enjoyed, but only 1 book per term can count toward the RU reading requirements.
- Books on the RU list can be checked out from the public library and are also available to be checked out from the classroom library.
- At the end of each term, students will have the opportunity to earn small prizes at the “RU store” for completing or exceeding their RU goal.

FSO Happenings

Humble THANK YOU!!

Many thanks to our volunteers who came and helped set up and clean up for the Staff Appreciation Luncheon. Our Draper 2 elves are very grateful to the following parents for helping to make our Staff Holiday party a rousing success Romy Humphries, Smita Virkar, Gurvinder Gill, Julia Fairbourn, Tess Douglas, Jen Hardy and her family. **Our Hospitality Committee is "Out of this World!"**

Staff Appreciation Week

We need MANY hands to prepare for one of the best weeks at APA...Staff Appreciation Week! There are many ways to help...decorate a door, help with daily snacks and treats, make mailbox goodies, volunteer for our Staff Appreciation Luncheon, or decorate the school. If you would like to help, please email Molly Jorgensen mollymjorgensen@gmail.com . Staff Appreciation Week is Feb 12-16.

Got Hours??

Check out the FSO Bulletin Board just outside the Multi-Purpose Room. We love recognizing our amazing parent volunteers! Submit your hours to volunteerdraper2@apamail.org. We would love to see your name there too!

From Your Character Development Team

Wow! We are so impressed with the amazing job our campus has done on collecting for the Hygiene Drive. Thanks for everyone's generosity!

Special Visitor

We had a special visitor, the Fairy Godmother, come back to our school yesterday (Thursday) to check on our students' Spirit of Kigatsuku. She was happy to see that the Spirit of Kigatsuku is strong on our campus! Remember, Kindness is the very best magic of all. We hope our families enjoy a wonderful holiday break and that the students will be ready when they return in January to meet a new special guest and practice a new character trait... see you then!

Heroes of Hygiene: APA's Annual Holiday Donation Drive



We are Heroes of Hygiene! And we proved it by working together to accomplish something amazing. Thank you for your willingness to give to others. We are proud to be part of such a generous APA family.

We will be tallying up all the donations this weekend and making the big announcement to the students on Monday. **We met our goal, we will celebrate with Crazy Sock and Tie Day on Tuesday, December 19th. Students may wear their craziest tights, socks, ties and bow ties!**

SPORTS

Learn to play acoustic guitar!

Kayla Waghorn will be teaching private guitar lessons at APA D3, room 126. Please see the attached flyer, or follow this link for more information: <https://kaylawaghorn.weebly.com/>. Contact Kayla to set up lessons today!"

Basketball Tournament

Draper APA and West Valley APA high schools have teamed up to host the first annual "APA Eagle Holiday Tournament". Both sites will host tournament games December 20th, 21st and 22nd. If you are interested in supporting our Draper APA Eagles, or if you just want to come out for an exciting family outing, please see attached schedule for the game times!

Love & Logic Tip of the Week

"Quiet Times: The Greatest Holiday Gift"

"What memories do you treasure from the holidays of your youth?"

Here I sit trying to remember the cool gifts I received and the spectacularly entertaining things we did as a family. I don't remember much about the stuff... or the entertainment. I do remember the people.

Be with the people you love... not just under the same roof."

See more at <https://www.loveandlogic.com/>