



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

November 20th, 2018

Draper 2



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thanksgiving Break  
Holiday Gift Workshop  
Holiday Gift Workshop  
Holiday Gift Workshop  
Parent's Night Out

Wed., Nov. 21 - Fri., Nov. 23  
Tues., Nov. 20th, 3:30-4:30 pm  
Tues., Nov. 27th, 3:30-4:30 pm  
Tues., Dec. 4th, 3:30-4:30 pm  
Fri. Dec. 14th 5:30-8:30 pm

For updates, additional event information, and athletic events, please visit our campus website at:

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

### **From the Directors' Desks**

by Cathie Adamson and Kevin McVicar

**November Builder Theme: I am a Builder When I Show Gratitude in Word and Deed**

**Acting on Our Gratitude**

Showing gratitude is important not just to let someone know we are thankful for them, but also to help us to find more peace and happiness in our own lives. A man named John Kralik wrote a book called *A Simple Act of Gratitude* wherein he found his life at a frightening low: his business was failing; he had disconnected from his children; he was living in a tiny, uncomfortable apartment; he was overweight; overall, his dearest hopes and dreams felt beyond his reach.



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Then as he contemplated his life during a walk on New Year's Day, he imagined what it would be like if he were to find some way to be grateful for what he had instead of focusing on what he didn't. Inspired by a beautiful, simple note he received himself, he set a goal to write 365 thank-you notes in the coming year.

One by one, day after day, he began to handwrite thank yous for gifts or kindnesses he'd received from loved ones and co-workers, from past business associates and even enemies. He thanked college friends, doctors, store clerks, handymen, neighbors... anyone, truly anyone, who'd served him, no matter how large or small. Immediately after he sent his very first notes, significant and surprising results came his way-- financial gain, true friendship, weight loss, and most importantly, inner peace. People were more willing to help him, his work place became more positive, and most of all he became more aware of the great things he had in his life.

The same thing can happen to us when we show gratitude through word and deed. Set a goal to find a way to increase your demonstration of gratitude toward everyone around you and see what happens in your attitude!

**This newsletter is filled with the names of many Parents who have helped us out with the variety of activities this past month. THANK YOU for giving your time and energy to make these events super special for our students.**

## **HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE... Thank You's**

**Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Our holiday boutique was a huge success thanks to the many parents who volunteered their time. We appreciate you SO much!**

Thank you to **Shannyn Steinman, Smita Virkar, and Liz Eddings** for the many, many hours that you spent planning the boutique over the past several months and for your help in executing it this past weekend. You are all amazing!

Thank you, also, to the parents who took the time to help on Friday and Saturday. We didn't have a sign-in sheet for volunteers, and I am so sorry if you were there and are not included on this list. Please know that you are sincerely appreciated. Thank you to **Eric Steinman, Tyson Eddings, Laura Kennedy, Dixie Christensen, Ana Zuniga, Andrea Moreno, Brenda Emerson, Bryce Bagley, Chan Maung, Liliana Dilts, Madhu Vallur, Manoj Perumal, Nutan Singh, Parmod Kumar, Ramesh Krishnasamy, Selma Takara, Shailesh Sinha, Shobra Singh, Stephanie Romriell, Tara Saucedo, Tony Taquemasa, Sagnite Graham, and Veronica Owen.**

We were so fortunate to have local businesses who made significant contributions as well. **RC Willey in Draper** donated a lighted tree as well as the use of seating for Santa and Mrs. Claus for photos. **Bell Photography** donated the backdrop for the family and Santa photos as well as two photographers on both Friday and Saturday. A big thank you goes to **Mike VanDyke from Bell Photography** who went above and beyond at the last minute to give everyone great professional photos.

We are still tallying the numbers, but we're excited to be able to use the funds from the boutique to



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purchase water bottle filling stations in the school.

***The Holiday Gift Workshop*** kicked off the Holiday Boutique last Tuesday. We had 105 kids registered, and we couldn't have done it without the help from our volunteers. Thank you to **Sarah Hardy, Tara Horton, Debbie Hammerschmid, Premavathi Arul, Chan Maung, and Robin Steinman**. Again, we didn't have a sign-in sheet for volunteers, so I am very sorry if anyone was missed. We appreciate you!

We want to give a big shout out to **Michelle Goudge** for not sleeping for a couple of weeks to make this Boutique such a huge success. She went above and beyond to make every part of it spectacular. Michelle spent countless hours making sure that both visitors and vendors felt appreciated and their needs could be met. Thank you, Michelle, for all you do!

## **Seussical the Musical-Thank Yous**

Pete McGirr	Jeanette Meisenbacher	Stacey Spainhower
Leslie Parke	Kristin Clayton	Katelynn Strong
Saren Fassbinder	Katy & Daniel Cox	Jared August
Zoi Farmer	Angela Challis	Taralynn Horton
Jessie Ortega/Beccera	Rebecka and Usman Mian	Aly and David Sharette
Beth Whisamore	Jean Hill	Celeste Butler
Melanie Jorgensen		

## **4<sup>th</sup> Grade Medieval Festival**

Belinda Durling	Musharrat Sheikh	Sharie Baker
Cinthia Magalhães	Andrea Sawatzki	Sarah Hardy
Stacie Garn	Cicilee Johnson	Craig Swagerty
Shayna Cerny	Krystal Ginger	Shanen Mercer
Christa Dastrup	Shannon Wixom	Sherry Diener
Emily Zarr	Ashley Funk	Liliana Dilts
Amy Olive	Nitisha Argawal	Shari Nakagawa
Kim Engar	Cyndie Mendoza	Monica Dye
Claire Chen	Nori Williams	Faryal Sheik
Snehal Mahajan	Nalini Polavarapu	Cyndle Mendoza
Cicilee Johnson	Shanen Mercer	Nori Williams
Matt Houchens	Lenka Cibulova	Adria Contreras
Michelle Goudge	Staci Chavez	

## **Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast & Program**

Lucy Nguyen	Kristi Johnson	Savanah Rodriguez
Christine Wright	Dana Saif	Subash Janakiraman
Rajini Gangapuram	Madhu Vallur	Rachel Taylor
Archana Thapa	Raji Subramanian	Rose James
Tosha Maenaka	Brittani Van Wagenen	Sara Zasukha



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Natalie Talamante  
Rohit Alex  
Lenka Cibulova Becz  
Crystal Adamson  
Mythili Selvarajan  
Viviana Ibarrola  
Lindsay Johnson  
Megan Jarrett  
Kiera Ririe

Santosh Alahari  
Miao Li  
Olivia Cardenas  
Liliana Hooda  
Sandra Miranda  
Viviana Figueredo  
Elle West  
Molly Jorgensen

Anna Wagner  
Jaree Gaskin-Housley  
Rande Lachelt  
Yashomati Dua  
Bryanne Fidler  
Arthur and Gen Miner  
Ashwini Durge  
Elle West

## **\*Family Support Organization - Volunteer Opportunities**

The FSO has had a busy year so far and I sincerely want to thank everyone who has helped up to this point.

Thank you to **Jill Ewell and Allison Freeman** for helping with cleanup for both PTC meals. **Shanynn Steinmann** for taking the lead on the Reading University store and those that came to help pass out items and everyone who helped with the Veterans Day receptions.

And let's not forget **Telena Dopson** for helping to cut out and organize box tops.

As always, we appreciate **ALL** of our volunteers and the time and efforts they put into our school. Don't forget to turn in all of your volunteers hours!

\*If you have volunteer hours, please record them on your weekly communication envelope or email your hours to [volunteerdraper2@apamail.org](mailto:volunteerdraper2@apamail.org)

**Nicole Harman**

FSO Director Draper 2  
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## **Character Development**

by Mandy Brown

\*We are looking for stories from our families of service that has been performed in the school, community or world the past few months. (Walking dogs at the humane society/ cleaning up trash at the park/ visiting elderly residents at a nursing home, ETC.!!) If you have any stories (and pictures if possible!), please pass them on to be featured on our BUILDERS bulletin board.

[mandy.brown@apamail.org](mailto:mandy.brown@apamail.org)

**\*THANK YOU to our OUTSTANDING volunteers** who made our first-ever College Fair a huge success. They put in an incredible amount of time and effort and the students had a WONDERFUL time as a result. We couldn't have done our event without the amazing contributions of: **MARCUS BROWN, JO ELLEN CHAPPELL, MICHELLE GOUDGE, CHARLES HARDY, STEPHANIE HENDERSON, MARSHALL MCCARTY, STEPHANIE MCVICAR, LIZ PAPPENFUSS, STACIE PETERSEN, MARCO AND MARIA SANCHEZ, ANDREA SAWATZKI, HEATHER WALL, AND JILL WELCH!!!!** We also gratefully acknowledge the gracious donations from **BYU, Cottey College, Michigan State University, Snow College, Utah State University; the companies IHC, 3M, L3; and the donations from our parent volunteers at the college fair for the "give-aways" that our students received there. THANK YOU!!!**



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## **From the Front Office - Thank yous**

Q-Where would we be without our FANTASTIC office volunteers?? A-We wouldn't be able to have enough time to help our students who come to the office. :-) Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to the following volunteers -

Brenden Davis - who puts our newsletter in the Communication envelopes every week!!

Elizabeth Papenfuss

Maio Li

Sagnite Graham

Cami Egelston

Elisa Smith

I'm hoping we haven't missed anyone but please know how much you ALL are greatly appreciated.

## **Carpool Corner-Thank yous**

Thank you to the parent volunteers that stepped up to take a couple of shifts: This has been a tremendous help to our administrative staff. Thank You **Brenden Davis, Liz Papenfuss, Lori Van Noy and Preeti Argawal (helping PM Kindergarten drop off).**

## **Volunteer Opportunities!!**

YOU are needed in lots of many ways to keep YOUR school up and running in the way it should be. We ALWAYS do what's best for kids and your kids love seeing you here helping out. Below you will find lots of different opportunities to volunteer. Please consider coming in and helping out!

**\*Carpool Volunteer link** (if you'd like to help it run as smooth as silk!)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A45AEA828AAFC1-carpool1>

## **\*Front Office Volunteers Needed**

Hello, Families! Thank you so much to those who have come in to help! It's a fun volunteer assignment and we really appreciate your help. **The busiest time where help is needed the most is from 9:30-11:30 am . Please sign up now!**

Here is the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0544adac2ba1f58-american>

## **Love And Logic -**

To receive the Love and Logic newsletter and tips, go to their website: <https://www.loveandlogic.com/>

## **YEARBOOK 2018/2019!!**

**Come one, come all, get your Draper 2 Elementary yearbook!! Yearbooks are now on sale.**

Cost: **Pre-sale pricing now through March 3, 2019: March 4, 2019 through April 12, 2019:**

\$15.00 - soft cover

\$20.00 - soft cover

\$20.00 - hard cover

\$25.00 - hard cover

**ONLINE ORDERS ONLY, starting Monday, Nov. 5th!!**

**PAYMENT FOR YEARBOOKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE SCHOOL.**

1 - Go to bellphoto.com

3 - Enter school code: apadraper2yb2018

2 - Click on Prepay

4 - Click on Start and the gallery will open.