



Upcoming Events

- Monday, October 24 Term 2 Begins
- Tuesday, November 1 Picture Re-Take and Make-Up Day
- Tuesday, November 1 4th Grade Medieval Festival 1pm
- Thursday, November 3 Parent Teacher Conferences (3pm-7pm)
- Thursday, November 3 Science Fair 3pm-6pm
- Thursday, November 3 Jeans Day (for those who earned it)
- Thursday, November 3 **Spirit Wear Day**
- **Friday, November 4** **No School - Parent Teacher** Conferences (8am-12pm)
- Friday, November 4 Science Fair 8am-1pm
- Friday, November 11 Veterans Day Assemblies 9am/11:30am
- Tuesday, November 15 Parent Empowerment Night: Internet Safety & Bullying 7pm
- Thursday, November 17 Canned Food Drive Begins
- Friday, November 18 Spirit Wear Day
- Friday, November 18 Jeans Day (for those who earned it)
- Tuesday, November 22 Kindergarten Pilgrim Play
- Wed-Fri, Nov. 23-25 Thanksgiving Break - No School

Hello American Prep Families,

Our Builder Theme for the month of October is “I Am A Builder When I Demonstrate Integrity.”

Hot Air Balloon at Draper 2!

Students were surprised with an exciting outside STEM lesson before Fall Break. Chick-fil-A graciously brought and inflated a hot-air balloon where students could see up close how a hot-air balloon is set up and learn about the science of its operation. Many students had the opportunity to touch the balloon, and some even got to participate in prepping the balloon for inflation.

The Chick-fil-A balloon team taught students about what makes the balloon fly, the importance of flying in specific weather conditions, how the balloon is steered, and the qualifications needed to pilot a hot-air balloon. Students witnessed the details involved in prepping a hot-air balloon for flight and also learned how the balloon is deflated and stored.

Students and staff alike will long remember this incredible experience and are grateful to Chick-fil-A for sharing their time and resources with us.

Uniform Update

Now that we have entered the Fall/Winter months, shorts are not allowed again until springtime. Boots are now allowed to be worn to school, if desired.

Halloween Costumes? Not At School! What a Treat!

A few parents have asked if they need to provide costumes for their students for later this month. Good news! The answer is “no.” Most parents are relieved to know this. If you are one who has anticipated this celebration at prior schools and are disappointed at this news, let me explain. In our quest to remain focused on our mission of academic achievement and character development for every student, we guard our time resources very closely. VERY closely. We look at every activity and every program and evaluate it carefully on how effectively it helps us achieve these goals. Because of this, we typically do not celebrate holidays in the way that other schools traditionally do. Don't panic! This does not mean we don't have fun! We celebrate our students' learning with grade level celebrations that happen regularly as fun, culminating activities that go along with our units of study in history and science—but we do not use academic time for holiday parties or costume parades. Halloween isn't celebrated at school. Neither is Christmas. There are only a few holidays that are celebrated or acknowledged during the school year. For more information on these, please refer to your Parent/Student handbook.

Super Science Club

We are excited to announce the return of the after school Super Science Club! Mrs. Tori Andersen with Super Science will begin sessions after the October break on Wednesdays for 3rd and 4th grades and Thursdays for 5th and 6th grades. See attached flyer with cost and information on how to sign up.

White Ribbon Week

Our White Ribbon Week before fall break was a great success.. We learned all about our amazing brains. Chemicals in our brains affect our moods, and we can help ourselves when we know how our brains work. For example, too much screen time might lead to headaches or anxiety; but we can turn our devices off and get outside for some fresh air and exercise and balance our brain chemicals out so that we feel better again.

If you'd like to see the videos we watched each day at lunch time during White Ribbon Week, please click on the links below.

Day 1: <https://vimeo.com/759967452/91b6e3480a>

Day 2: <https://vimeo.com/759988542/0810af58d7>

Day 3: <https://vimeo.com/759992489/55a2f06cd3>

Day 4: <https://vimeo.com/759994750/e9b512cc16>

Day 5: <https://vimeo.com/759995578/006ec21f4b>

Warm Winter Wear Drive

Our Care Club at D3 is collecting warm coats, gloves, hats, scarves, etc. (new or gently used) and we have a collection box in our front lobby if you'd like to contribute! Sometimes this is the time of year we find coats that no longer fit our kids... send them to school and we'll get them passed on to someone who could use them!

Upcoming Service Drive

Be aware that after Thanksgiving, we'll kick off our annual service drive. This year is "We CAN Care", where we collect non perishable food items for the Utah Food Bank. We won't start collecting until AFTER Thanksgiving,

but if stores have case sales, etc. before Thanksgiving, you may want to grab an extra item or two to donate if you can after that holiday.

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Don't miss out on the pre-order price for the yearbook! A copy of the hardcover book costs \$25 until January 31st and a softcover is just \$20 until January 31st! Prices will increase to \$35/\$30 beginning February 1st.

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