



Calendar

- Monday, February 27 Term 4 Begins
- Friday, March 3 5th Grade Western Round Up
- Monday, March 6 6:30pm Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Monday, March 13 8:15am/2pm Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Tuesday, March 14 4th Grade Success Express
- Thursday, March 16 4pm/6pm Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Friday, March 17 8:15am/9:15am Celebration of Excellence Mtg
- Mon-Fri, Mar 20-24 Staff Appreciation Week
- Friday, March 24 6th Grade Western Round Up
- Wednesday, March 29 3rd Grade We Are Amazing

Hello American Prep Families,

Our Builder Theme for the month of February is “I Am A Builder When I Use My Words to Encourage Others.”

Maya Angelou, an American poet, memoirist, and civil rights activist introduces our new builder theme this month with this quote, “People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”

One of the ways we are able to influence others for good is through our words. Words are some of the most important tools we have as builders. Think about how you feel when someone gives you a compliment. You feel happy and more confident. And if you're feeling bad, a few words of encouragement lift you up and help you to overcome your sadness or frustration. With words, a bad day can be turned into a good day. That's how much power they have.

Each one of us has that power! And you know what they say: With great power comes great responsibility. So now, my powerful friends, here is a challenge for you. Everyday this week, compliment and encourage others, especially those who might be having a bad day. Look at the change in their face, the smile that spreads across it and know that you helped them feel good.

Here are a few ideas...

- When you introduce people, also say something nice about them. “This is Abbie. She’s an amazing soccer player and she is always helping me get better!”
- When someone has a great suggestion, let them know. “That’s a great idea Jack. I’m going to try it today!”
- When you are with your friends or family remember to be positive to everyone.
- Be kind when someone is feeling sad. Say something nice and encourage them.
- Say thanks whenever you can. You’ve no idea how it can boost someone’s spirits. This includes your teacher, a waitress, the person holding the door, the bus driver... and everyone else.

When we do this, our actions inspire others to do the same. How rewarding is that! Go ahead. Make a difference in the world!

Drop Off & Pick Up aka Carpool

We appreciate all families who continually use the proper pick up and drop off procedures. Our primary goals during carpool are safety and efficiency. Ways you can help meet these goals are:

- Please remember to follow the directions of those outside leading traffic
- Encourage your student(s) to quickly come to their assigned curb and look for you.
- Continue to pull ALL the way forward.
- Drive slowly and very cautiously being aware and courteous of others
- Pick up your child(ren) at the correct dismissal time.
- Use the carpool lanes. Do not park and ask your child to cross traffic to get to your car. This is not safe and slows down the flow of traffic.
- Be respectful of the neighborhoods surrounding the school. They are not drop off/pick up or waiting areas for families not living in the area.

Thank you so much to all our wonderful carpool families who are patient, courteous, and follow carpool rules. This builder behavior makes carpool safe and efficient for everyone and sets the right example for your students.

Lost and Found

We continue to have many items in the lost and found. Please take a moment to write your child’s name on his/her sweaters, cardigans, coats and more. Items left in the lost and found at the end of each month are donated to local charities. Stop by asap.

Celebration of Excellence Meetings - Mark your calendars

We look forward to meeting with all of you at this annual event! Mark your calendar today! This is an opportunity to give our stakeholders—you, our amazing APA parents—a report on the academic year, discuss pertinent school topics and to begin the re-enrollment process for the upcoming school year. Please make arrangements to have at least one parent in attendance. Doors will lock promptly at start time and there will be no late admittance. We will have the following opportunities to attend the mandatory meeting and are looking forward to seeing you and having this first re-enrollment step complete.

If your student is currently in 6th grade and planning to attend Draper 3 for the 2023-2024 school year, you will need to attend a meeting at the D3 campus.

Monday, March 6th @ 6:30PM
 Monday March 13th @ 8:15AM OR 2PM
 Thursday, March 16th @ 4PM OR 6PM
 Friday, March 17th @ 8:15AM OR 9:15AM

We are excited for this opportunity to celebrate the excellence of American Prep and our Draper 2 campus.

Wolfpack Running Club

The Wolfpack Running Club is standing up an APA Track & Field team again.

Your Head Coach is Crista Harrington. The Elementary program is for K-6 grade. The season runs from April 10 to May 26. Practices are one hour, Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 4 pm to 5 pm at Draper City Park.

There will be two meets at Corner Canyons High School.

The events are 100m, 400m, 1600m, 4x400m Relay, Javelin, and Long Jump.

Here's the link to program information and registration. <https://wolfpackrunning.org/services/elementary/>
Contact Tom Sharkey, Wolfpack Director of Elementary, at 443-939-7133 with questions.

Staff Appreciation Week Volunteers & Donations Needed

Food and other items needed

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4ca5ac2baafe3-teacher1#/>

Help Assemble Mailbox Treats (we will have all items ready to assemble)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b4ca5ac2baafe3-help#/>

Door Decorating

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4ca4ad22a2ff2-staff#>

Empowering Youth - Parent Workshop

Do you have children that are struggling with anxiety or depression?

Do they often act agitated, sad or angry?

Do they worry excessively, feel restless, or have trouble concentrating?

Do they complain of stomach aches, headaches or lack of energy?

Join us at a Free Empowering Youth for Parents workshop on February 25th at 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm. You may register at this link: <https://forms.gle/XnyruFb7tAEFd6nD8>

If you have questions, please contact Rachell Reid for more information: rachellshealthyclean@gmail.com