



## Calendar

- Thursday, November 2      Parent Teacher Conferences 4pm-7pm
- Thursday, November 2      Flu Clinic 3pm-7pm Multipurpose Room
- **Friday, November 3**      **No School** - Parent Teachers Conferences 8am-12pm
- Tuesday, November 7      Election Day!
- Friday, November 10      Veterans Day Assemblies 9am/11:30am @D3 gym
  - Monday-Thursday Dress
- Tuesday, November 14      Parent Empowerment Night 7pm
- Friday, November 17      Spirit Wear Day!
- Friday, November 17      Jeans Day for those who earned it (no #2s, #7s)
- Friday, November 17      Midterm Deadline 3:45pm
- Tuesday, November 21      Kindergarten Pilgrim Play
- **Wed.-Fri., Nov. 22-24**      **No School - Thanksgiving Break**
- Mon-Fri., Nov. 27-Dec 1      White Ribbon Week

### Looking Ahead.....

- Friday, December 1      Spirit Wear Day!
- Fri-Sat., December 1-2      Holiday Boutique @Draper 3
- Friday, December 8      Term 2 Missing Work Due 3:45pm
- Monday, December 11      Science Fair
- Monday, December 11      Band & Orchestra Concert 6pm
- Wednesday, December 13      5th Grade Choir Concert 6pm
- Friday, December 15      Jeans Day for those who earned it (no #2s, #7s)
- Friday, December 15**      **Early Dismissal 12:15pm/12:30pm/12:45pm**
- December 20 - January 2**      **No School - Winter Break**

Hello American Prep Families,

A few parents have asked if they need to provide costumes for their students tomorrow. Good news! 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.

### **Volunteer & Donation Opportunities:**

Our wonderful FSO is organizing a brunch for the staff during Parent Teacher Conferences Thursday/Friday. Attached is a link to sign up for items to donate and volunteer.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094CADA729A1FD0-45487441-parent/26193083#/>

Dinner Link

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094CADA729A1FD0-45656565-breakfast/26193083#/>

Breakfast Link

### **College Week**

We had a great time this week learning about college! Our theme this year was Start Your Engines.... College is ONE FORMULA for success!

Here is the chew time video with this year's college week theme:

<https://vimeo.com/850226932/0fe89fccb3?share=cop>

A MILLION BILLION thank you's to our OUTSTANDING parent volunteers who showcased amazing presentations and games for our students on Friday at our annual College Fair. It was another incredible success and we stand in awe of each of you, our amazing parents. Our students learned about criminal justice from a lawyer and an FBI agent; about the medical profession from a nurse and a chiropractor; from some amazing scientists (neuroscience, geology, and engineering; from an accountant and an ASL interpreter; from the CEO of LDS Hospital; and from a parent who has worn many, many hats over the years!, Thank you to: \*Ben Hurst \*Kalpana Jonnalagadda \*Harmony Milham \*Jennifer Dixon \*Alicia Chittim \*Julia Hovet \*Emily McLaughlin \*Jency Yang \*Molly Jorgensen \*Don Miller \*Abani Samal \*Jeremy Goudge and \*Heather Wall.

### **Veterans Day**

It is the time of the year when our hearts turn in gratitude towards our Veterans. Your children brought home a hard copy of the flier with information about this year's annual program as well as an invitation to give away. There is also a digital copy of each item included in this newsletter.

Please think of a friend, neighbor, family member, or coworker who has served in the military and extend an invitation for them to attend. It is a special tradition that is memorable and moving for our amazing military community.

### **Veterans Day Reception and Commemoration - Friday, November 10th**

We are very excited for our Veterans Day celebration on Friday, November 10th! We will have two assemblies to

honor our Veterans, one at 9am and one at 11:30am. Our assemblies will be held in the Draper 3 gym. This assembly is an opportunity for students and families to invite a Veteran friend or family member to be honored by our D-2 and D-3 student bodies. We usually have about 80 Veteran guests! It is a wonderful event. We encourage all students to think about a veteran they would like to invite to this wonderful assembly! RSVP for an honored veteran to attend at 385-434-2000 and select option 2.

Due to space constraints in our gymnasium, only parents who are accompanying Veteran guests or parents who are volunteering at the event are able to attend in person. We will livestream the assembly so parents can watch it online! Invitations were sent home last week. Be thinking about a Veteran you could bring to this incredible assembly!

The assembly attendance schedule for students is as follows:

### **9AM Assembly**

**1st Grade:** Brenkman, Davis, Wise    **2nd Grade:** Lingo, Wise    **3rd Grade:** Biorn, Caldwell, MacLeod  
**4th Grade:** Davidge, Lee    **5th Grade:** Ames, Bodily, Weenig    **6th Grade:** Adrian, McCall, Smith

### **11:30AM Assembly**

**1st Grade:** Durling, Titus    **2nd Grade:** Hooley, Johnson    **3rd Grade:** Biggerstaff, Pant, Strong  
**4th Grade:** Foster, Jacquez, Young    **5th Grade:** Arevalo, Chappell    **6th Grade:** Solomon, O'Brien

Monday-Thursday dress for students is required for this special event. Thank you!

### **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.

### **Parent Teacher Conferences November 2nd & 3rd**

PTCs will be held Thursday from 3pm-7pm and Friday from 8am-12pm. Please sign up with your student's teacher for a time to visit. There will be no student attendance on Friday, so conferences may occur. Please check the lost and found while you are in the building. All items remaining in the lost and found after PTCs will be donated to charity.

### **Ballroom Workshops for 4th-6th Grade**

**BALLROOM BLAST ELEMENTARY WORKSHOP:** Come explore the world of Ballroom Dance and jive with us to an awesome Swing! Here are all the details:

**Who:** All 4th-6th graders are invited

**What:** \$25 Workshop Fee Includes

- \* Two 90 minute lessons--that's 3 hours of instruction!
- \* APA Ballroom T-shirt
- \* Opportunity to perform with the D3 Ballroom Team in the Winter Showcase

**When:** Lesson 1: Wed. Nov. 29th 3:00-4:30 pm

Lesson 2: Wed. Dec. 6th 3:00-4:30 pm

*(Lessons start at 3, but the team dancers and coaches will take good care of the students in the D3 MPR until that time. So, D2 students can walk over and D1 students can be dropped off after school and we'll meet them at the D3 front entrance.)*

Showcase Rehearsal: Sat. Dec. 9th 12:45 pm

Winter Showcase Performance: Sat. Dec. 9th 2:00-4:00 pm. Free and open to all friends and family so they can celebrate your hard work!

**Instructors:** In addition to coaching our APA team for the last 7 years, Joy Price has 19 years of coaching experience working at a competitive dance studio, and as a professor at BYU-Idaho. She is also an accomplished performer with titles from a wide variety of national/international competitions and has been a featured artist at Walt Disney World. Assisting her will be members of the current D3 team who will mentor, encourage, and model for the younger dancers.

**Fundraising Element:** These workshops will help raise money for D3 Ballroom Team members. If you want to support a specific member of the team you will be able to list their name on your registration and they will receive \$15. Remaining profits will go toward the team as a whole.

**Registration:** Registration will be open until November 13th. <https://forms.gle/qYYprB5qhA3AG3aR8>

**Questions:** contact Kiri Reeves at [kreeves@apamail.org](mailto:kreeves@apamail.org)

### **Improv Club w/Mr. Ames for 5th & 6th Grade**

We are excited to announce a new club organized by our own amazing, Mr. Ames! Improv Club will be held on Tuesdays at 3:45 in room 162. Cost is just \$240 per session per student (this is just \$15 per class)! Limited spots are available. Contact Mr. Ames at [bames@apamail.org](mailto:bames@apamail.org) to register your student today! See attached flyer for additional details.

### **Science Club - limited seating still available!**

Looking for a spectacular after school activity for your kids to explore and enjoy science? Look no further! Simply Super Science presents SUPER SCIENCE! We will do fabulous physics experiments that unlock your child's inner scientist! Openings still available! For more details contact: [simplysuperscience@gmail.com](mailto:simplysuperscience@gmail.com) Vemo: SimplySuper Science