

Draper 2 - School Calendar

January 26, 2018

Tuesday, January 30	Lego Club begins 3:35-4:15 pm
Wednesday, January 31	Request to transfer to a different APA campus or withdraw due. See item below.
Tuesday, February 6	4 th – 6 th grade Spelling Bee 1:30-3:00 pm
Wednesday, February 7	1 st – 3 rd grade Spelling Bee 12:30-2:00 pm
Friday, February 9	4 th – 6 th grade Field Trips Groups Late Work Due TODAY!! Reading University Due TODAY!!
Mon., Feb. 12 – Fri., Feb. 16	Staff Appreciation Week
Monday, February 12	Home Room Late Work Due TODAY!!
Wednesday, February 14	Early Release Day - For ALL Elementary students. AM Kindergarten attends – No PM Kindergarten this day 12:15- Purple/Pink/Blue/Orange 12:30 – Green/Yellow 12:45 – Tan/Grey
Friday, February 16	Sibling Enrollment due – See Item below 1 st – 3 rd grade Field Trips End of Term 3
Mon., Feb. 19 – Fri., Feb. 23	NO SCHOOL Mid-Winter Break

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

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

Builder Theme for January “I am a Builder When I Work Diligently”

A fascinating book written a few years ago called *Outliers*, in which author Malcolm Gladwell studied the lives of tremendously successful groups or individuals to find out how they attained success.

As a result, he claims that it takes around ten thousand hours of practice to achieve mastery in a field. How does Gladwell arrive at this conclusion? As one example, in the early 1990s, a team of psychologists in Berlin, Germany studied the practice habits of violin students in childhood, adolescence, and adulthood. All were asked, “Over the course of your entire career, ever since you first picked up the violin, how many hours have you practiced?”

All of the violinists began playing at roughly five years of age with similar practice times. However, at age eight, practice times began to diverge. By age twenty, the elite performers averaged more than 10,000 hours of practice each, while the less able performers had only 4,000 hours of practice.

The elite had more than double the practice hours of the less capable performers. *They were more diligent.*

The diligent software developer writes code at work, and as well as writing software on her own time.

The diligent athlete practices on the field with his teammates, then goes home to watch game films.

The diligent physician listens to medical podcasts in the car during the car ride home.

We can all become great at something by being diligent. Think about what you like to do and how you would like to become even better at it; then work diligently to achieve it!

Field Trip Donations

This year we would like for our students to ride busses for their field trips. Our elementary students, grades 1st through 6th, take 2 field trips per year. They are coming up very quickly!! Lower field trips – Friday, February 16th and Friday, May 18th.

Upper field trips - Friday, February 9th and Friday, May 11th.

Kindergarten will go to the zoo for their end of year field trip. This trip has not yet been scheduled, we will let you know as soon as it is.

In order to be able to provide busses, we will need your kind donation of \$11.00 per field trip or, \$22.00 per year. This service will provide a safety factor that we have not been able to provide in the past.

Friends of APA (American Preparatory Education Foundation), is graciously heading up this campaign.

Go to the link below to make your online donation -

<https://www.americanprepfoundation.org/programs>

If you would prefer to send in a check, make it out to APEF.

Also, if you are able to donate a little bit more, for our families who may not be able to afford this extra cost in their budget, please feel free to do so.

Substitute Training

Want to learn more about American Prep, our curriculum and methods? Want to be involved at the school and get paid at the same time? Come be a substitute for us! We will be starting a substitute training on Wednesday, January 31st from 8:20 am – 10:00 a.m. Substitute training will be 3 consecutive days. If you are interested in coming to our substitute training, please email Lindsay Campbell at lindsay.campbell@apamail.org.

Volunteer Opportunity!!

We love and need our APA volunteers! If you have not been in to help this year (or you have and want to be more involved) please come into the school and volunteer! There are jobs in your students' classrooms, in the office, and all throughout the school that we need our volunteers to help us with!

There are lots of ways to help:

1. Stop by the school and we will put you to work!
2. Email your students teacher and find out how you can help.
3. Email the elementary director, lindsay.campbell@apamail.org, to head up a specific task.

There are opportunities for EVERYONE to volunteer! See you at school!

Flu Season Reminder

Just a reminder about expectations regarding sick students. If your student has a fever or is vomiting, they are not to attend school. The CDC recommends that children be free of fever for at least 24 hours before returning to school. Flu season is especially bad this year. Keeping sick children home from school helps slow the spread of disease. Hand hygiene is the number one way of preventing the transmission of disease. Please do your part to keep all our students healthy. Thank you.

Sibling Enrollment

It is time to begin enrolling our siblings for the upcoming 2018/2019 school year. If your student(s) have a **sibling** that will turn 5 before September 1st, or if you would like an older sibling to come to APA, please go to the link below and register your sibling. ***This application is for SIBLINGS ONLY of students currently attending one of our American Prep schools. Not, cousins, neighbors etc.*** <https://goo.gl/forms/GtxugbiplHkvHCEf2>

The deadline for this application is Friday, February 16th.

Request a Transfer or Withdraw your student for 2018-2019

If you would like to transfer your student to a different APA campus or withdraw your student(s) at the end of this school year, please use the link below -

<https://goo.gl/forms/fH3HhbAHgNdXDJEX2>

Elementary Lego Club begins on Tuesday, January 30th

The Lego Club's prediction for 2018...lots of GREAT building!!! We hope your student can join in!!! Here are the details you need to know:

NEW END TIME: 4:15 PM (starts at 3:35 dismissal...we found students were very restless from 4:15-4:30 so shortened it a bit for this term)

Dates: The dates for Spring 2018 are: 1/30, 2/13 & 27, 3/13 & 27, 4/10 & 24 and 5/8 & 22.

Cost: If you paid for your students last term, we ask for you to contribute one Lego minifigure for participation this term (new or used). If you have not paid yet, the cost for families is \$15 for your first student and \$10 for all others. Checks are preferred and should be made out to "Friends of APA"

Permission slip: All students must have a signed permission slip on record (this is good for the whole school year). One is attached to this email.

Pick up reminder: Regardless of carpool pickup location, pickup for Lego club is on the east side of the building for all students. Also, all our Lego club help is volunteer. Please respect their time by being at school promptly at 4:15 for pickup.

Volunteer opportunities/Parent Hours: We have close to 150 students at Lego club each time and so adult help is vital. Let Mr Phinney (kphinney@apamail.org) know if you would like to volunteer. He will add you to the volunteer email list and send you a link to the volunteer spreadsheet to sign up for a slot.

FSO Happenings

Staff Appreciation Week

We are proud to announce the theme for our 2018 Staff Appreciation Week. It is "Once Upon a Time...." and coincides with Valentine week so there will be much love and many hearts to go with the fairy tales. We've been grateful for the outpouring of so many volunteers to help so far this year. We've added a new sign up and added to the others so take a look and see what's new. We'd love each and every family to find a way to make this a special week for our "storybook" staff!

Mailbox Treat Sign Up:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a45abac23a1ff2-staff2>

Daily Snacks for Break Room Sign Up:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090a45abac23a1ff2-staff3>

Staff Luncheon Sign Up:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054aaca72ba2ff2-sawluncheon>

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!

YEARBOOK 2017/2018!!

We are pleased to announce that we will have a 2017/2018 yearbook!! Our wonderful Yearbook committee, Marion Minson, Jori Thomas and Mandy Brown are diligently working toward making a beautiful book to hold all of this year's memories for our students.

Our yearbook is planned to include all color pages and a sturdy soft cover. If you would like to order a hard cover, there will be a minimal additional cost.

Standard Yearbook Pricing – Before 2/16/18

Soft Cover - \$12.00

Hard Cover - \$16.00

Yearbook Pricing – After 2/16/18 & before 4/16/18 (Last date orders will be accepted.)

Soft Cover - \$15.00

Hard Cover - \$20.00

Order online at YBPay.lifetouch.com with the Yearbook ID code: 13453318

Pictures For The Yearbook

Do you have pictures you would like to have considered for our Yearbook? If so, please send them to the following email address and our Yearbook committee will look at them to possibly add to our Yearbook. d2yearbook@apamail.org

Carpool Corner

Thank you to all of our families who have stopped making left hand turns into our campus off of Lone Peak Parkway. This tough change will result in carpool moving quicker and there will be less opportunities to run into a fellow APA family.

Wooooo Weeee Way to be!!

From Your Character Development Team

Napkin Pyramid Challenge

Which of our classes will come out on top in our Napkin Pyramid Challenge? We are looking for donations of packages of WHITE napkins to use for our daily lunches (good manners practiced every day here at APA!). Please send in donations February 1st through the 14th. Each student will get to put a heart on our wall of caring for each package brought. We will see how high we can stack our pyramid of napkins in our front lobby, and how many hearts can fill our wall of caring. The three top classes in each grade will participate in a heart cookie decorating reward party on February 14th. Good luck! And thank you in advance for donating!

Thank You

Many thanks to our sponsor MASK COSTUMES in Salt Lake City for helping to bring our special guests to visit our school. Princess Tiana will be back on February 2nd to visit all of our students again and reward the for being diligent workers.

Love and Logic

For the current Love and Logic tip, please go to the following website. -

<https://www.loveandlogic.com/>

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!

Individual Basketball Skills training

Grind Athletics is accepting new students! Train right here at Draper APA to take your game to the next level. Contact Tyler at tyler@grindathletics.com for more information.

Spring Sports are just about here!

Keep an eye out to sign up for all of the following activities and more -

High school- Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, Track and Field and Boys Tennis.

Middle School and elementary- Girls Soccer, Track and Field and Golf.

We will also be doing an 8th - 12th grade Girls Soccer league this Spring to get us ready for next year's High School season.