



AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

December 14th, 2018

Draper 2



UPCOMING EVENTS

Late Work Deadline

Parent's Night Out

Orchestra Concert

Band Concert

Early Release 2:15/2:30/2:45 pm

Winter Break

Return to school/Beginning of 3rd term

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

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

Friday, December 14th-today!!

Fri. Dec. 14th, 5:30-8:30 pm

Monday, December 17th, 7:00 pm, Gym

Tuesday, December 18th, 7:00 pm MP rm

Tuesday, Dec. 18th

Fri., Dec. 21st - Wed., Jan. 2nd

Thursday, January 3rd, 8:05 am

From the Directors' Desks

by Cathie Adamson and Kevin McVicar

December Builder Theme: I am a builder when I look for ways to serve others (Kigatsuku)

This month we talk about the concept of "kigatsuku" which describes the trait of being able to see others' needs, to sense others' needs, and then to strive to meet them without being asked or directed to. We hope you have seen some evidences that our students have caught on to this great concept!

We also hope that you notice it and can give them praise so they will expand upon their ability to see others' needs! We have enjoyed watching the children in school as they have been looking out for others' needs this month – thank you for sharing your amazing children with us!



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Science Fair Winners

CONGRATULATIONS to the 6th grade Science Fair winners. They will be advancing to the SL Charter Science Fair in February.

Alli Sorenson - 1st place

Carter Vijay - 2nd place

Samantha Milar - 3rd place

The following runners up will also be advancing to the SL Charter Science Fair -

Emelia Humphries

Luke Carlson

Eliza Pierce

Sarishika Pandini

Jennifer Parke

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE PARTICIPANTS!!

From the Academic Office

Students out at Recess:

As the weather changes it is important that students are dressing appropriately. All students will have at least 1 recess every day, please ensure that they come with a warm coat, hat, and gloves so they can stay warm and healthy. It is important to us that students have the opportunity to go outside to exercise and get fresh air. Unless sent with a doctor's note, all students will be sent outside to recess with their class. We understand that sometimes the air quality will restrict some students from going outside. That is posted and teachers are aware of those students. Instructors have been directed to check the air quality signs throughout the day and make a decision of whether or not to take students out based on both quality and temperature. Please remember, recess time is a teacher's prep time and there is no staff member that can remain inside to monitor students who want to stay in because it is cold. Please expect and encourage your students to go outside every day.

Academic Update: Reading University

The goal of the Reading University program is to instill a love for independent reading in our students. Our RU booklist provides value-based literature and varied informational texts that reinforce positive character traits, strengthen vocabulary, and enrich our curriculum.

Students are required to read a specified number of books each term from the Reading University book list and according to their grade level requirements:

- Students may read books at grade level, one grade level below their level, or at any level above their grade level.
- Students in Kindergarten and First Grade have the option of self-reading or being read to.
- Only books that are on the RU list qualify for this program (students are allowed one "free book" per term).
- Students may not read a book for credit more than one time.
- Books read to students in school do not qualify for RU credit.



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Family Support Organization - Volunteer Opportunities

By: Nicole Harman

Staff Appreciation is quickly approaching. Before we know it, February will be here and it will be time to shower our staff with love and appreciation. Our theme for this year is "Our staff is the greatest in the World". With 132 staff members, this is a big undertaking and we are in need of more help to pull this all off. If you would like to be involved, we would LOVE to have your help. Please email me at nharman@apamail.org or come to our next meeting on Monday, December 17th at 1:00 pm in the conference room.

Also, don't forget to turn in your Boxtops to your class, they really do add up. The batch that was recently turned in earned us \$545.00. If you don't want to clip and store physical Boxtops, there is an app that you can download that will allow you to scan receipts and turn them in digitally.

Go to your App store and you are looking for "**Box Tops Bonus App-School Fundraising. General Mills Inc.**"

The funds brought in through the Box Top program will go toward updating and adding books to our classroom libraries.

Thank you so much for your help as every little bit helps.

GEOGRAPHY BEE THANK YOU!!

Thank you to Jen Hardy for taking the lead on the Geography Bee and for making sure it all ran efficiently and that it was a success for those participating. I'd also like to thank Kellie Bywater, Lanka Cibulova Becz, Cami Gorringer, Preeti Agarwal and Claudia Higginson for helping Jen Hardy in many various ways on the day of the Geography Bee. And congratulations also to all of those students who participated--it was a HUGE success!

Character Development

by Mandy Brown

****ROCKS THE SOCKS!**

We are down to the last day of the donation drive and it has been so exciting to see how much we can accomplish as we all work together. We will announce our final count on Monday but we have been blown away by the generosity of our campus family! Our donations will be delivered to the shelter next week.

****CRAZY SOCKS DAY AND CASUAL DRESS DAY**

Our campus earned the reward of CRAZY SOCKS on TUESDAY DECEMBER 18th for reaching the goal of 3000 donated pairs of socks, plus many blankets and coats for our Eagle Scout's additional collection for the Road Home.

We have also earned CASUAL DRESS DAY on THURSDAY DECEMBER 20th.

*(*casual dress day ... also called "free dress day" in the past.... allows students to wear dresses/skirts/pants and shirts/sweaters/shoes, no opened toed shoes or slippers, these items should be appropriate for school, modest clothing, shirts with sleeves, no tank tops, shorts and skirts should be within 3" of the knee, no negative messaging including obscenity or profanity. Also, no fitted athletic wear. You should be able to pinch an inch on each side. Our administration team may determine inappropriate attire as necessary.)*

****DATE AND TIME CHANGE for 5th/6th grade Ambassador events:**



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Fifth Grade

THURSDAY, Jan 17th "Celebrate"

THURSDAY, Mar 21st "Rodeo Round Up"

**1:45 to 4:15 p.m.

Sixth Grade

THURSDAY, Jan 24th "Celebrate"

THURSDAY, Mar 28th "Rodeo Round Up"

**1:45 to 4:15 p.m.

Please note that these events now go AFTER SCHOOL. Please put the dates and times on your calendars now. It is worth re-arranging piano lessons or missing a sports practice just two times this year for your student to participate in these amazing events! Thank you for your support!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER AT OUR AMBASSADOR EVENTS? The link is below!

Sign up to help at our FIFTH GRADE EVENT January 17th

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0444AFAE29ABFC1-celebrate>

Sign up to help at our SIXTH GRADE EVENT January 24th

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0444AFAE29ABFC1-celebrate1>

After School Activities

Here are the currently planned after-school activities for the term when we return from the Holiday Break.

Mondays:

Chess Club 3:30-4:30 pm

Still need parent volunteers, please contact Mr. McVicar <mailto:kmcvicar@apamail.org>

Tuesdays:

Play Well Lego STEM Classes

K-1 Intro. 3:30-5:00 pm

2-5 Challenge 3:30-5:00 pm

Wednesdays:

Learning through Robotics

1-2 2:30-3:30 pm

Art Haven

K-6 2:30-4:00 pm

Thursdays:

Learning Through Robotics

3-6 2:30-3:30 pm



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From the Front Office

We have early release days Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week. Here are the dismissal times for Tuesday, December 18th -

Draper 2 Families Only

Yellow single letter	2:15 pm
Blue single letter	2:30 pm
Red single letter	2:40 pm

Draper 2 and Draper 3 Families

All colors	2:55 pm
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Draper 3 will be having a regular 2:50 release on Tuesday, so parents with students at both campus buildings PLEASE do not arrive before 2:55 so all of the other Draper 2 only families can pick up their students and be off campus before you arrive. Thank you for your cooperation.

This change of schedule is due to the fact that we needed to reschedule our elementary staff holiday party.

Kindergarten times for Tuesday, December 18th will be a regular Wednesday/Thursday schedule.

Wednesday, December 19th and Thursday, December 20th will be regular Wednesday/Thursday dismissals.

Curriculum

Many thanks to the South Valley Rotary Club for donating dictionaries to all of our 3rd Grade students. These will be so useful now and in years to come as these students learn to be great spellers and writers! We so appreciate the support our wonderful community gives to our students!

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>

Carpool Corner

Although our cell phones are great communication devices, PLEASE resist the urge to use them while you are driving in our carpool system. Have a passenger in the car use the phone if absolutely needed; otherwise, do not use them when driving on our campus. Thank you for your cooperation.

***School Lunch**

The menu for the rest of December AND January is now available and attached to the electronic Newsletter. There is A CHANGE in January in that we are offering the muffin and breadsticks EVERY WEEK! These are the 2 most popular items.



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You can now order online - the link for online ordering can be found here:

<https://www.americanprep.org/school-lunch-program/>

Also, this is a reminder that if your child has received a school lunch due to them forgetting a home lunch or not ordering a school lunch and has NOT paid for it yet, please come to the lunch room or call the lunch staff at (801) 810-3590 opt 3, to make arrangements.

New menu items coming in January 2019: Pizza, Tacos, & Nuggets

Love And Logic -

Quiet Times: The Greatest Holiday Gift

What memories do you treasure from the holidays of your youth?

Here I sit trying to remember the cool gifts I received and the spectacularly entertaining things we did as a family. I don't remember much about the stuff....or the entertainment. I do remember the people.

I vividly remember Christmas when I was four. Grandma Marie was there. By the following year, cancer had taken her away. How thankful I am that we had time...sweet time where we were quiet and just enjoyed being together. Isn't it sad that it sometimes requires a great illness for us to still ourselves and truly connect with the people we love?

Be with the people you love.....not just under the same roof.

The greatest holiday gift we can give our kids are limits...mostly limits on ourselves and the other adults in our lives.

The limits we set with ourselves, mostly curbing the natural inclination to do the impossible.....make the holidays a perfect experience for everyone. We all know what happens when we attempt to make everyone happy.

The limits we set with the other adults in our lives involve taking good care of ourselves and our kids. Caution! Some of these may cause severe shock:

We can't wait to see you guys. We'll need to leave by six so we can spend some quiet time with the kids before bedtime.

We love you and want to spend time with you. We are trying to help the kids be more relaxed and rested, so we'll need to do this on another day.

We want to spend some time with everyone, so we'll be ordering pizza.

Thanks for reading!

Dr. Charles Fay

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.



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****Uniform Guide Updates-Winter Weather**

As winter weather is coming on, we find a need to clarify our K-6 uniform policy and we have also made some changes. Please see below!!

1. Baby, it's cold outside!!! Please remember to send your children with a coat for outside play, with gloves and hats when appropriate. If they don't have the proper clothing, they won't be allowed outside!
2. These boots were made for walkin'!!! Every year we have questions about boots. Once the snow hits, students may want boots to wear on the playground. If they are snow boots, that is great - we will ask that students change into shoes when they come inside but snow boots can be really great on the playground - warm, skid-proof, etc! Unfortunately, the "dress boots" many girls wear have VERY slippery soles and don't do well in snow or ice. They really were made for walking in climate controlled hallways! But not so much for a slippery playground! Please consider that our playgrounds sometimes do have snow on them!
3. BRRR! Currently our K-6 girls can wear navy pants **under** their skirts, but we are expanding that option to allow K-6 girls to wear navy pants **instead** of their skirts if they wish. In an effort to help girls in K-6 to stay warm, they may wear navy pants instead of their skirts or under their skirts, whichever they choose. Watch the online uniform guide for instructions on what type of navy uniform pants are permitted. It should be updated in the next day or two with the style guides. Friday uniform has not changed - khaki pants or skirts are still options for Friday.

We are excited to have a healthy and happy winter. Thank you for preparing your children for the upcoming season of snow and wet weather.

Carolyn Sharette
Executive Director