



# American Prep-West Valley 1 Campus Newsletter

## -- February 18, 2022 --

Website @ <https://westvalley1.americanprep.org/>

### Upcoming Events

\*Newly added to this newsletter calendar

Tuesdays/Thursdays Free English Classes! Tues 2:25-3:25 / Thurs 1:25-2:25  
Wednesdays "SWYK" 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Assemblies @ 8:15 (parents always invited)  
Thursdays "SWYK" K-3<sup>rd</sup> Assemblies @ 8:15 (parents always invited)  
Friday, Mar 4,11,18, 25 March "Friday Clubs"

**TERM 4 and BEYOND! Pull out your calendar!**  
Friday, Feb 18 End of Term 3 / Report Cards came home  
Feb 21-25 No School – Midwinter Break  
Monday, Feb 28\* Term 4 Begins  
Wednesday, Mar 2\* Vision Screenings  
Thursday, Mar 3\* 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event "Galaxy Quest" 12:25-2:50  
Friday, Mar 4\* Spirit Wear Friday!  
Tuesday, March 8\* Parent Empowerment Zoom Workshop: Human Trafficking 7pm  
Thursday, Mar 10\* 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event "Galaxy Quest" 12:25-2:50  
March 10 & 11\* MANDATORY PARENT MEETINGS (Choose one to attend)  
Thursday, Mar 10\* (1 of 3) Celebration of Excellence ReEnrollment Meeting 5-6pm  
Friday, Mar 11\* (2 of 3) Celebration of Excellence ReEnrollment Meeting 7:30am  
Friday, Mar 11\* (3 of 3) Celebration of Excellence ReEnrollment Meeting 5-6pm  
Friday, Mar 11\* Midterm Work Deadline  
March 14-18\* Staff Appreciation Week ☺  
Tuesday, March 22\* Early Dismissal Day 12:15/12:30-Staff Professional Development  
Thursday, March 24\* 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event 12:30  
Friday, March 25\* Term 4 Work Deadline  
Tuesday, March 29\* 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Spring Music Concert  
Thursday, March 31\* Reading University "RU Store"  
Thursday, March 31\* Spirit Wear "Thursday"  
Friday, April 1\* "Builder of the Year" Assembly – regular uniforms today, please  
Friday, April 1\* End of Term 4 / Report cards come home



April 4-8\*

Thursday, April 14\*

Friday, April 15\*

Saturday, May 7\*

No School – Spring Break

Parent/Teacher Conferences 3-7pm

Parent/Teacher Conferences – No school for students

APA's 4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Super Hero" Fun Run / 10-12 in Daybreak

## **February Builder Theme: I am a Builder When I Befriend Others**

Befriending someone can be very rewarding. You get to know someone new who you can share experiences with, who you can hang out with, and, hopefully, who you can be friends with for years to come. Sometimes, finding someone you want to be friends with and then starting an actual friendship can be difficult. Here are some ideas:

### **Finding a friend as an adult:**

- Find and join a group that does an activity you enjoy. Doing something you enjoy will most likely involve people with a common interest to you, making it easier to get to know them.
- Volunteer with a charitable organization. If you are willing to give your time to a good cause, you may also get a new friend during your time.
- Befriend your neighbor or coworker. You don't always have to go out of your neighborhood to find a new friend. Strike up casual conversations with those you see in your neighborhood, at the grocery store, at a school event, etc.

### **Finding a friend as a child:**

- Be friendly to kids at school or in your neighborhood. Don't be afraid to say hello to a kid you don't already know.
- Play with someone new on the playground. Ask to join a game already in progress or organize a game yourself with a variety of kids.
- Join a sports team or an after-school club. There are usually a variety of activities to choose from, so pick an activity you think you might enjoy.

## **Need ALMA Grading Program Help?**

We are now moving into Term 4! You have access to your student's grades 24/7. Are you checking them weekly? Please call or email Mrs. Melanie Ferlo ([mferlo@apamail.org](mailto:mferlo@apamail.org)) or Ms. Brenna Wiscombe ([bwiscombe@apamail.org](mailto:bwiscombe@apamail.org)) in the Academic Office if you need help with the ALMA grading program.

## **Staff Appreciation Week—coming March 14-18!**

This is such a fun time of year—when a full week is planned to say "Thank You" to our dedicated West Valley 1 staff. Please watch for a separate email with details on how you can get involved with this week of fun!



**Time to Order Lunch for March (or the rest of the year!)**

If you haven't already, please get your lunch order done so your student will have lunch when we return from the break. Lunch orders are due by Tuesday, Feb 22 for lunches on March 1. At this time, you are also able to order through the rest of the year. See your email for detailed instructions if you are new to this.

**Vision Screenings-March 2, 8:15-10:30-Volunteers Needed!**

We will be conducting vision screenings for all students on Wednesday, March 2. The students will be given a distance vision test to see if they can see at a 20/30 level. We will notify you of results of the test only if your student does not pass. If a student does not pass, you will receive a referral letter with more instructions.

Vision screening is not a substitute for an eye examination by an eye care specialist, and it is important that your child see an eye care specialist once a year to evaluate eye health. If you do not wish your child to participate in the screening program, please pick up an exemption form at the front office.

**We hope to have 10-12 parent volunteers to assist with these vision screenings.** Training will be provided and is quick and easy. This is a great way to give some volunteer hours! Please sign up with the link at the end of the newsletter or contact Mrs. Leavitt ([lleavitt@apamail.org](mailto:lleavitt@apamail.org)).

**January Builder of the Month Awards-Builders Who Work Diligently**



Kindergarten	Ms. Gleed	Giovanna Ramirez
Kindergarten	Mrs. Montoya	Abigail Rees
Kindergarten	Ms. Bamossy	Liam Alfaro
1st Grade	Ms. Clark	Donovan Veguilla
1st Grade	Ms. Dallon	MJ Kanneh
1st Grade	Ms. Rathfon	Akira Pena Vilchez
2nd Grade	Mrs. Larsen	Carol Lopez
2nd Grade	Mrs. Spencer	Fatma Yassin
2nd Grade	Mrs. Williamson	Priscilla Cervantes
3rd Grade	Mr. Ferlo	Natalia Cervantes
3rd Grade	Ms. Bryant	Kaden Nguyen
3rd Grade	Ms. Piñeres	Mia Ramos

4th Grade	Mrs. Kendall	Nicole Chavez
4th Grade	Mrs. Alejandre	Xzavier Anzora
4th Grade	Mrs. Kunde	Claudia Guerrero
5th Grade	Mrs. Bonzo	Kan Soe
5th Grade	Ms. Anderson	Kaitlyn Ovaleo
5th Grade	Mrs. Furniss	Breanna Soto
6th Grade	Mrs. Fullmer	Mia Arellanes
6th Grade	Mrs. O'Brien	Geoff Damasco
6th Grade	Ms. Almanza	Samir Ismail

**CONGRATULATIONS  
BUILDERS!**



## February Reading University Awards



Kindergarten	Ms. Glead	Ali Karar
Kindergarten	Mrs. Montoya	Theresa Tuli
Kindergarten	Ms. Bamossy	Julian Tenorio Flores
1st Grade	Ms. Clark	Antonio Memmott
1st Grade	Ms. Dallon	Stephanie Thomson
1st Grade	Ms. Rathfon	Cora Orwin
2nd Grade	Mrs. Larsen	Fredy Pineda
2nd Grade	Mrs. Spencer	Akari Barney
2nd Grade	Mrs. Williamson	Omar Ali
3rd Grade	Mr. Ferlo	Yanelle Hernandez
3rd Grade	Ms. Bryant	Tiffany Camayo
3rd Grade	Ms. Piñeres	Liam Gibbs

4th Grade	Mrs. Kendall	Asma Kahn
4th Grade	Mrs. Alejandre	Luna Barragan
4th Grade	Mrs. Kunde	Emilio Chaire
5th Grade	Mrs. Bonzo	Braxton Fetzer
5th Grade	Ms. Anderson	Zoey Lomeli
5th Grade	Mrs. Furniss	Layna Santiago Rodriguez
6th Grade	Mrs. Fullmer	Strella Cortes Zamudio
6th Grade	Mrs. O'Brien	Mikhail Fedorov

## **CONGRATULATIONS RU SCHOLARS!**

### **Coming Soon—Celebration of Excellence ReEnrollment Meetings**

We have only a few mandatory parent meetings during the year—and this is one of them! If you are returning to American Prep for the 2022-2023 school year, you are required to attend one of the Celebration of Excellence Meetings to complete your student's re-enrollment. We love this opportunity to be with our parents and to share highlights of the year and key info about our school and campus. To accommodate your busy schedules, we have three date/time options to choose from. Please be sure to get the date best for you on your calendar.

- (1 of 3) Thursday, March 10 @ 5-6 pm in the multipurpose room
- (2 of 3) Friday, March 11 @ 7:30-8:30am in the multipurpose room
- (3 of 3) Friday, March 11 @ 5-6 pm in the multipurpose room

If you are not returning to any American Prep campus next year, please inform the office. You will not be required to attend.

### **Health Insurance for Children through Utah Medicaid and CHIP**

The last two years have been stressful for everyone, especially our kids. Not only has their physical health been affected by this global pandemic, but so has their social and emotional well-being. It is more important than ever for families to have health insurance, so that they



can access the medical and behavioral health services their kids and teens need without the worry of mounting medical bills.

Utah Medicaid and CHIP cover more than 230,000 kids statewide. Eligible children can get regular check-ups, immunizations, doctor and dentist visits, hospital care, mental health services, prescriptions, emergency care and more for free or at a reduced cost. Parents shouldn't have to choose between getting groceries and taking their kids to the doctor.

**Find out if your family qualifies by applying today!** Visit [coveringkids.health.utah.gov](http://coveringkids.health.utah.gov) or call 1-888-684-1599.

### **Current Volunteer Opportunities Link** (Every Week!)

To sign up to volunteer for your classroom—please contact the homeroom teacher. To sign up for other school events—please use this link & form or email the contact person listed directly.

Current Volunteer Needs:

March 2: Vision Screening (8:15-10:30am)

March 3: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador “Galaxy Quest” 12:00-2:50

March 10: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Ambassador Event “Galaxy Quest” 12:25-2:50

[Current Volunteer Opportunities:](https://forms.gle/xkcUyTBF6jK6BpTc7)

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### **Reporting Your Volunteer Hours and Donations** (Every Week!)

Please use this QR code or link to report your volunteer hours! This info will be included with each newsletter for handy access.

[Report hours & donations here:](https://forms.gle/263GFvy31yMaZg927)

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### **Newsletter Readers**

Hello newsletter readers! THANK YOU for reading the newsletter. Last week's question asked if you preferred reading the newsletter in hard copy or electronic form. Apologies to those hard copy readers that *this week's* newsletter is only coming by email.

Update: Some of you have your name in the drawing jar 2x now! (Two of you have it in 3x because the first person to report each week is getting their name added twice!)

Are you just joining the newsletter reader ranks? We'd love to add your name into our drawing for an adorable APA bear to be awarded at our March Celebration of

Excellence Meeting—a drawing exclusively for our newsletter readers! Use this link to put your name in! [I'm a Newsletter Reader!](https://forms.gle/kqEpD9do7Skecqk8) <https://forms.gle/kqEpD9do7Skecqk8>

