

September

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September 7th

School Pictures

September 12th

K-3 RU Assembly

8:00am

September 13th

4-6th RU Assembly

8:00am

September 20th

SPIRIT DAY***

September 21st

NO SCHOOL

Professional Development Day

October 5th

Builders Carnival

5:00-8:00pm

***Spirit Day - Students are allowed to wear any of our APA Spirit Apparel shirts, (no hats please). Students still need to wear their uniform socks, shoes, and skirts/pants/jumpers. Spirit wear can be purchased online, at:

<http://www.americanprep.org/stor e/>



Monthly Builders Theme:

Building with Enthusiasm

September 11th is Patriot Day! This day presents an important opportunity to show our *enthusiasm* for our wonderful country. Please take a moment to discuss the meaning and impact of the events of September 11th with your family.

Patriot Day is the day we remember the 2,993 people who lost their lives in the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States. On that day, two hijacked airplanes crashed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in NYC. A third hijacked aircraft crashed into the Pentagon near Washington, DC. It is believed that a fourth airplane was to crash into the White House, however, passengers aboard that plane tried to take control over the hijackers to prevent the attack. The plane ended up crashing in Pennsylvania. Innocent people lost their lives during this tragedy - many of them through heroic efforts trying to help others.

In the days, weeks and months following 9/11, the U.S. was awash with American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. As the years go by, some of the enthusiasm that patriotism has lessened. Our patriotism has pulled our country and communities through tough times and it we can enthusiastically keep it alive.

On December 18, 2001, President George W. Bush designated this day of remembrance and directed that our flag should be flown at half-staff at home and at all U.S. government buildings. Here are some things that you can do as a family to foster enthusiasm for our flag and our country as you memorialize the day:

- Educate your family about what happened on September 11th. You can read about it online or watch video footage. Always be sensitive to what is age appropriate and reassuring to young children.
- Fly your flag at half staff.
- Observe a moment of silence for citizens who lost their lives in this tragedy.
- Volunteer in your community as a way to celebrate unity and service.

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Builders Carnival!

Save the date! Our annual Builders Carnival will be held on Friday, October 5th from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. If you are interested in helping, running a game booth, donating an item for the auction or wanting to be a sponsor please send an email to FSO@apavegas.org and we will provide you with more info. Thank you!

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School Pictures: Friday, September 7

Payments can be made online or in person.

Online pre-payment is now available at www.bellphoto.com.

You may also pay up to 3 days after picture day.

The password is:

americanprep19

If payment is made in person, your student will give the envelope to the photographer at the time their picture is taken. Money will not be accepted by APA staff. Order forms were sent home with students on Thursday.

Additional order forms may be picked up at the front, elementary or secondary office.

Carpool Release Information

2:05-3:05pm/1st Release: Secondary Only

2:15-3:15pm / 2nd Release: Secondary and Elementary Only

2:30-3:30pm /3rd Release: Elementary Only

If you come before you carpool time you will be asked to turn around and wait for your dismissal time.

Box Tops

It's that time again! Please begin clipping Box Tops. Every clip counts. Please turn in all your box tops to your students' teacher by the end of each month. Last year we were able to rise \$3,300 for our school. Let's hope to not only do it again but surpass last year's number. Thank you for supporting our school.

Volunteer Opportunity

Attention Parents needing volunteer hours: We have a service opportunity for one individual from 10:00 pm to 11:00 pm daily. Please contact Chris Banford, Operations Director, for more information.

(chris.banford@apavegas.org)

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 substitute training this week.

Secondary: September 11th @ 8:00 am

Elementary: September 12th-14th @8:00am

Space is Limited

Please email Becca Batista at becca.batista@apavegas.org to sign up and receive more information.

August K-6 Builder Award Recipients:

K-Hatch AM	Jaydah Ameperosa	K-Hatch PM	Jaydan Phan
K-Rambow AM	Izlee Parkinson	K-Rambow PM	Keanu Borja
1st-Abbott	Ruth Milton	1st-Freer	Grant Petersen
1st-Torres	Aspen Thunell	2nd-DeJesus	Olivia Caraveo
2nd-Harris	Emily Gibson	2nd-Gomez	Ellah Mark
3rd-Call	Christian Barnum	3rd-Deaver	Olivia Loveland
3rd-Nunn	Blen Luel	3rd-Robison	Eli Johnson
3rd-Telfer	Daria Tanasa	4th-Burgess	Leila Batac
4th-Gunn	Mickayla Tatman	4th-Hayes	Jenna Park
4th-Morano	Tiernyn Barnhart	4th-Rivenbark	Lidya Anduaem
5th-Braybrooke	Astrid Cornejo	5th-Carter	Yareli Ramirez-Reyes
5th-Gibson	Presley Larkin	5th-Gwin	Kaylie Kuba
5th-Pruitt	Ryker Parkinson	6th-Conti	Naia Youngblood
6th-Gibson	Falna Ahferom	6th-Holloman	Makaila Tsoi
6th-Ryan	Francesca Conti		
K-3 Teacher	Mrs. Robison	4-6 Teacher	Mrs. Holloman

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Uniform Accountment

Many students will be bringing home a note today clarifying the uniform dress standard. After careful consideration, administration has determined that we are asking all students to NOT tuck in their vest or sweater. This would apply to both skirts as well as pants. There are quite a few reasons for this determination.

1. In tucking in the sweater, the waist line is getting higher, causing the length of the skirt to be too short. Although this may not be happening with every person that tucks their vest into a skirt, there is no way to tell one person they can tuck in their vest and another that they can't.
2. Sweater vests and cardigan sweaters are not designed to be tucked in and in doing so it does not look professional.
3. The uniforms are designed to maintain a professional look for all students, regardless of body type, if worn appropriately.

Please refer to the website or the uniform guide for direction on how the uniform should be worn.

PLEASE be encouraging and positive while explaining and discussing this clarification with students. Thank you.

Elementary News

Academic Update – Jeans Friday Incentive

Here at APA our students work hard. We appreciate all of their effort they put forth to come to class prepared and complete their homework every night. To reward those students who have attended their classes prepared for the last two weeks and who have no missing assignments, we will be giving them the opportunity to wear jeans.

Students who have earned this incentive will be receiving a coupon with guidelines and details. If your student brings home this coupon, they are invited to wear jeans with a white oxford shirt and vest/sweater or with a navy-blue polo on Friday, September 14th.

A Few Guidelines:

1. This is not a “free dress day”.
2. Uniform top (white oxford with sweater/vest or blue polo) may be worn with **full-length navy blue jeans** (in good repair with no holes; no skinny jeans please) **or khakis**.
3. Regular school shoes are to be worn; any socks may be worn.
4. Students who have NOT earned this incentive but come in jeans will be sent home to change their clothes.

Secondary News

7th grade Leaders for Life

We are so excited to kick off this year with our 7th grade Leaders for Life event. At this event, students will learn how to demonstrate positive character traits, strong leadership by thinking outside the box, and respectful behavior. Additionally, students will learn and review proper “meet and greet” protocol and will be taught how professional body language is a key factor in making a good impression.

The event will be held on September 12th from 12:40-2:00 pm, during the school day. We only need 10 parent volunteers for this event. If you are interested, please sign up below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090d48aea72ca0f58-7thgrade>

If you have any questions, email The Character Development Team at CD@apavegas.org

Clubs

High School Speech and Debate

The High School Speech & Debate Team will be attending a shadow tournament this Saturday at Palo Verde High School. Our Varsity team members will be competing as our novice members watch and learn from the best. Support our team by volunteering to judge at our tournaments.

Email tiara.bergquist@apavegas.org for more information.

MATHLETES 4th - 8th Grade

Mathletes is open to all grades 4-8th. Your student will not only build their math concepts, friendships and confidence is also gained through this amazing club. We will be covering all subjects and concepts in math. Homework help is also available so your student can maximize their learning experience. Please email Mrs. Smith with your interest; Kristen.smith@apavegas.org. We will be meeting Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30. Registration is \$150 and includes 7 national competitions. Please email Mrs. Smith if you would like to join the club. FIRST meeting will be SEPTEMBER 11th @ 3:30pm - 4:30PM.

Key Club 9-12th Grades

Key Club will have their first meeting and social on Monday, Sept 10th at 3:15pm in room 221. Pizza will be provided. Come learn about great community service projects and meet other like-minded students! A short parent meeting will follow at 4pm. If you have questions, contact Ms. Steiner at shannon.steiner@apavegas.org

Athletics

K-6th Grade Parents - Check This Out

Because of the increased interest in our Red Rover Fitness after-school program, we have decided to make it available to 6th grade girls and boys also.

WHO? - K-6 boys and girls

WHAT? - A 6-week exercise program, 2X per week that combines running, jumping, tumbling, and climbing, designed to teach our youngsters more about their conditioning, coordination and bodies generally. The program utilizes Cross Country (Fall), Games (Winter), and Obstacle Course (Spring).

WHY? - To help kids have fun, while getting in the BEST SHAPE OF THEIR LIVES!

WHEN? The Cross Country phase is set to start **September 10th.**

Choose session -

Mon (3:45-4:45 pm) AND Wed (2:45-3:45 pm) session
OR

Tue (3:45-4:45 pm) AND Thur (2:45-3:45 pm) session.

WHERE? - APA -The program will be conducted by school staff members and will utilize the school facilities.

COST? - **\$120 for 6 week (12 session).**

Register online at www.redroverfitness.com

For more information, email Mr. Melver at josh@redroverfitness.com

APA CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

It is not too late to join APA's newest sport - Cross Country.

No experience necessary - come run with your friends and enjoy the great fall weather while getting in the best shape of your life.

The sport is open to students in two teams:

- 7th/8th grade practice M/W/F at Mesa Park @ 4:30 pm
- High School practices M/F, at Mesa Park @ 4:30 pm
- Mesa Park is located at 5401 Mesa Park Drive, near Bishop Gorman.
- Cost is \$75 for 7th/8th and \$150 for HS.

For more information, email Coach Melver at

crosscountry@apavegas.org

FEES AND PHYSICALS - September 14th

All students who are participating in APA sports must pay their fee and have submitted their up-to-date physical by Friday, September 14th, unless they have made prior arrangements with Coach Bliss (dave.bliss@apavegas.org).