



REID TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS'  
**Painted Rock Academy**



**March 2013**

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**Important Numbers**

*Dear Parents/Guardians,*

*It almost seems impossible that I am writing an article to wish you all a restful and pleasant Spring Break. Spring Break indicates we only have one quarter left of the school year, and it seems like we just got started.*

*We do hope you will enjoy your week off, but we want to encourage all of you to remind your students to read often while they are away. Encourage them to play educational games, and have meaningful conversations with you throughout the week. Meaningful conversations with adults build vocabulary. We want them to be sharp when they return, as we will get right to work completing the year's curriculum and preparing for State Standardized Testing.*

*I hope you are not tired of hearing this, but we would once again like to thank you for choosing Painted Rock Academy for your child's educational needs. We feel extremely fortunate to have the students and families we have in our school. Please have a wonderful Spring Break, and we look forward to seeing you all for the final quarter of our first year!*

*Sincerely,  
 Leslie Szostak  
 Principal*

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<b>Important Dates</b>	
<b>March 2013</b>	
1	Spirit Day
7	PROP Meeting 6:30 p.m.
11	Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.
11	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Pictures
15	End of 3rd Quarter
15	Early Release 12:15 p.m.
18-22	Spring Break
27	Report Cards go home
29	No School - Spring Day Break



<b>Book Donations</b>	
	We are continuing to work on getting our library up and running. We would appreciate donations of any books in good condition for school age kids. We are looking for classic literature, books from the school approved reading lists, and more. Every book will be reviewed for approval before being placed on the shelves of the library.

<b>Board Meeting</b>
The Board of Directors meets on the fourth Thursday of each month unless otherwise posted. All regular meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend. Board Meetings are held at the Reid Traditional Schools conference room at 14841 N. Black Canyon Highway. If you wish to contact members of the Board, you may send a letter to the school or leave a message at the Reid Traditional Schools office, (623)478-2344.

## From the Nurse's Office

Linda Winters, R.N.

Please remember that students must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. It is also important for students to bring water bottles daily, so they can stay hydrated.

Here is a little safety message for the month.

### Basics of Skating, Scooting, and Skateboarding



Always use protective gear: helmets, wrist guards, knee and elbow pads (use all except wrist guards with scooter).

Learn how to keep equipment in good condition.

Practice controlling speed and stopping.

Avoid areas with puddles, bumps, oil, sand, and gravel.

Use playgrounds and sport paths. Stay off streets.

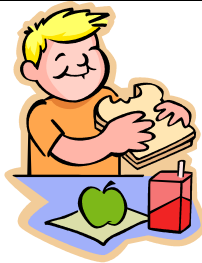
Roll politely. Give pedestrians the right of way.

**Helmets** reduce the chance of serious brain injuries to bicyclists by 85%. They can do the same for children using other equipment with wheels.

(taken from Desert Sammy Injury Prevention, Banner Desert Medical Center)

### Lunch Update

The Peanut Butter and Jelly Project helps kids who, in an emergency situation, need a lunch. They receive a sandwich and a milk for a minimal fee of \$1.00. We are able to charge only this minimal fee because the bread, peanut butter, and jelly are all supplied by donations. If your child has received a sandwich, please send in a dollar. If any parent would like to make a contribution to the cafeteria to help kids with lunch, we are always in need of bread, peanut butter, and jelly or jam.



### Uniform Donations

The Nurse provides uniforms for students in case of emergency here at school. If you have any uniforms in good repair that your student has outgrown, please consider donating them to the school for this purpose. Also, if your student has used the emergency uniforms, please wash and return them as soon as possible. Thank you.



### Lost and Found

Any items in the Lost and Found that are not picked up by **Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**, will be donated to charity. Please have your students check to see if they have any items in the Lost and Found in the MPR.



Please remember that you should **NOT** be stopping by the basketball courts to drop off students. Dropping students off by the basketball court causes traffic jams and is a danger to students' safety. If we continue to have an issue with this, we will lock the gate in the mornings. Please follow our drop-off procedures and drop students off by the P.E. Room on the North side of the school.

Also, students may **NOT** cross the parking lot by the P.E. Room without parental supervision. Please either walk across with them or drop them off in the drop-off line. The drop-off lane can move a lot smoother and faster if we don't have students crossing here at all. Also, remember the driveway opening on 25th Drive is an "EXIT ONLY." When you enter there, you are once again putting yourself and others in danger, to save a minute or two. Please respect the procedures, as they are there for safety reasons. Students need us to model following the rules.

# March 2013

Sunday

Monday

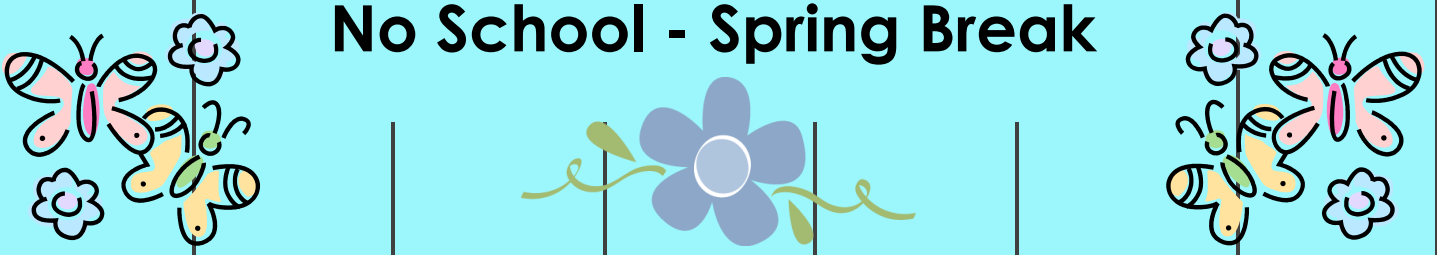

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