



From the Principal's Desk

Dear Painted Rock Academy Families,

I hope this letter finds you well. It certainly has been a busy month for all of us. I want to take a minute to thank all the wonderful students, dedicated staff, and supportive parents for making Painted Rock Academy an outstanding school. I hope your family had a smooth adjustment to a new grade level or new school.

As we get close to closing out the first quarter of the school year, I want to address the importance of parental involvement in your children's education. As a parent of three kids that have been promoted out of Reid Traditional Schools, I know the hard work and dedication it takes to be a successful student at our school. I have often told this story to many of you in our parent meetings.

My children all needed the support and guidance from me in the early years. This included checking their homework nightly, rehearsing poems, and keeping up on the dates of long-term projects. Each of my children were different in learning their responsibilities at different ages and grade levels. One was completely independent in third grade while another still needed the guidance and support from me until seventh grade. Each child is different, so please continue to help them if they need it. I promise the investment that you make in your child(ren) will pay off when they are recommended for advancement placement in high school.

So, as you go into your Parent Teacher conferences in October, please sit down with your child's teacher and ask questions about how you can best support your child's learning at home. Studies have shown that children with involved parents have a better attitude towards school, better attendance, and fewer disciplinary issues. This connection between parent(s) and school really encourages students to engage actively in their education.

Pages 21 and 22 of the Parent Student Handbook outlines for you how you can get involved. You can certainly reach out to your child's teacher to see how you can help in the classroom. We also have a wonderful organization of parents who are always welcoming volunteers. October will be a busy month for them, so please reach out to PROP. They could use the help of volunteers to make the planned events fun. Some events that are coming up this month are:

- PROPsicles – Oct. 4th
- Scholastic Book Fair – Oct. 4th-11th
- Fall Festival – Oct. 10th
- Caught Being Good – Oct. 11th
- PROP hosted Luncheon – Oct. 17th
- Fun Run – Oct. 21st
- Honor Roll ice cream – Oct. 25th

All these things cannot happen without parent volunteers. It is my hope that we can all come together this year to create a community of helpers that sets an example for our students and impacts them in a positive way. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Stella Goshow, M.Ed.
Principal



News & Updates



LOST & FOUND

Please label your children's personal items with their first and last name to prevent items being left in the Lost and Found. If items are not claimed in a month, will be donated.

SCHOOL



NURSE

Upcoming Events:

PROP Meeting

Thursday, October 3rd, 8:15 a.m.

Spirit Day & Morning Assembly

Socktober Kickoff

Friday, October 4th

8:15 a.m. – Families are welcome

Scholastic Book Fair

October 4th – 11th

Fall Festival

Thursday, October 10th, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

No School – Staff Development

Monday, October 14th

Report Cards – Parent Portal

Wednesday, October 16th

Parent/Teacher Conferences: Early Release

Thursday & Friday Oct 17th & 18th

Fun Run Pep Rally - PROP

Monday, October 21st

October is the start of flu season. Please remember that if your child has a fever that is 100 degrees Fahrenheit or greater, he or she will need to stay home from school until it has been 24 hours without a fever and without the use of fever reducing medication (acetaminophen, ibuprofen, naproxen, or aspirin). Keep in mind that some other common flu symptoms include body aches, headache, cough, sore throat, and fatigue. If your child is not feeling well, please keep him or her home from school until symptoms improve.

If your child needs medications while at school, a parent or guardian must bring the medication to the nurse's office and fill out a form. No medications should be in a student's backpack without specific permission. This includes over the counter medications and homeopathic medications as well.

Please keep an eye out for emails regarding missing vaccines as well as hearing and vision screening results. If your child does not pass a screening, follow-up with a medical provider is recommended. If you do not receive an email regarding screening results, your child has passed or has not been screened. Not all grade levels will be screened.

Miss Rose, BSN RN School Nurse, Painted Rock Academy



Constitution Day Speaker

Thank you to Mrs. Wolpert for arranging for Russ Romney of the City of Glendale and LawforKids.org to come and speak to our sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students for Constitution Week on Thursday, September 19. Mr. Romney was an engaging speaker and shared interesting facts about the Constitution of the United States and some fun details about how it was written. Thank you to the students for paying such close attention and showing tremendous support to this volunteer speaker.



A little History in Pre-K

A peek into THIRD GRADE

Let's take a closer look into our third grade classrooms and what our PRA rockstars have been up to so far this year.



OUR TEAM

OUR THIRD GRADE TEAM

MRS. PATEL

MRS. MODI

MISS. BOORTZ

THIS MONTH OUR STUDENTS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THE ART TEACHER, MS. WOLPERT, TO CREATE A BEAUTIFUL BULLETIN BOARD FULL OF ALL SORTS OF UNDERWATER CREATURES. DURING ART CLASS, THEY CREATED CHAINS AND OTHER PAPER CRAFTS TO ADD TO THE UNDER-THE-SEA-THEMED BULLETIN BOARD!



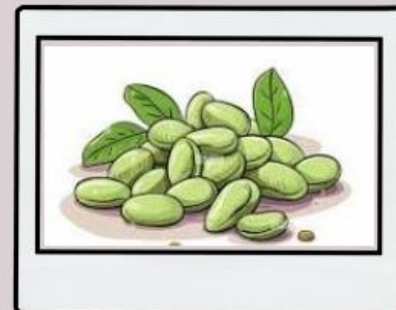
ART WALL



LIMA BEAN

OUR STUDENTS ALSO HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO A HANDS ON SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY BY PLANTING LIMA BEANS. WE CAREFULLY WRAPPED EACH BEAN IN A BAG WITH WATER AND PAPER TOWELS. IN THIS WAY, EACH STUDENT CREATED THEIR OWN MINI GREENHOUSE. DAY BY DAY THEY WERE ABLE TO OBSERVE THE STAGES OF GROWTH, FROM GERMINATION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF LEAVES.

THIS ENGAGING EXPERIMENT NOT ONLY TAUGHT THEM ABOUT PLANT LIFE CYCLES BUT ALSO FOSTERED A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY AND WONDER AS THEY NURTURED THEIR LITTLE PLANTS. DOING THIS ACTIVITY ALLOWED OUR THIRD GRADERS TO BECOME EXCITED ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE LEARNING AND CREATED LIVELY DISCUSSION IN THE CLASSROOM!



Painted Rock Organization of Parents

PROP is excited about the variety of events coming up this Fall! Remember, per the PRA Handbook, families are requested to volunteer three hours a month at the school. There are so many opportunities below to fulfill that commitment!

The **Fall Book Fair** will be open Friday, Oct. 4th through Friday, Oct. 11th before school 7:35 a.m.-8:15 a.m., after school 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., and during the Fall Festival on Oct. 10th from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed at the Book Fair! Please sign up here: [Fall Book Fair Help](#)

The **Fall Festival** is Thursday, Oct. 10th from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Watch for emails and flyers with more information! Volunteers are needed! Sign up here: [Fall Festival Sign Up](#)

Used Uniform Sales

Dates :

Oct. 2nd & Oct. 16th before school 7:30 a.m.-8:15 a.m., and after school 2:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to sell Used Uniforms! Please email propazpresident@gmail.com if you would be interested in committing to once or twice a month in either time slot.

Shirts: \$2

Bottoms, Jumpers: \$3

Sweaters: \$3

Donate two clothing items, get one free.

MORE Volunteers are needed!

- **PROPsicles** on Oct. 4th during lunches
- **Caught Being Good** on Oct. 11th during lunches
- PROP-sponsored **Staff Appreciation Luncheon** on Oct. 17th- donations will be needed
- Our Annual **FUN RUN** Fundraiser will be November 1st! More information is coming soon!

Please email volunteerPROP@gmail.com to be added to our volunteer database and be the first to receive emails with these signup links when they become available!

Thank You

Thank you, PROP!

PROP, the Painted Rock Organization of Parents, donated several generous gifts to our sports teams this year. We wanted to say a big thank you to PROP for the following: new basketball uniforms, new cheer uniforms, new flag football flags, and two beautiful championship banners for our 2023-2024 Girls' and Boys' Basketball teams. Thanks PROP!




**PAINTED ROCK
BASKETBALL**

BOYS

CHAMPIONS
2023-2024

#1 ALCIDE	#9 AIDEN
#3 DIEGO	#10 GAVIN
#4 KILLIAN	#11 LUIS
#5 SANTANA	#13 CALEB
#6 GRAYSON	#15 ZACH
#7 JOSH	#17 MEBA
#8 SAM	#19 GRANT

COACH
JARED




**PAINTED ROCK
BASKETBALL**

GIRLS

CHAMPIONS
2023-2024

#00 RANIA	#10 REYDAN
#1 SAANVI	#12 JASONI
#2 KARUNYA	#13 NIHARIKA
#4 ABBY	#14 KAVYA
#5 SANGHA	#15 BRAELYN
#6 RYLEE	#16 DAHLIA
#8 CHIARA	#17 KANCHAN
#7 JIMENA	

COACHES
LAURA TRACEY
NIKKI IRVIN



October 2024

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

Week 8		1	38	2	39	3	40	4	41	5	
Week 8							PROP Meeting, 8:15 a.m.	Spirit Day Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m. Sock-tober Kickoff			
6	7	42	8	43	9	44	10	45	11	46	12
Week 9	Scholastic Book Fair										
	Sock-tober Drive Starts						Fall Festival 5:00—7:00		Caught Being Good	End of 1st Quarter	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
Week 10	No School						Report Cards Parent Portal	Parent/Teacher Conferences Early Release (2:15 P.M.)	Early Release	Early Release	
	KG Open Enrollment Ends at Midnight						PROP hosted Luncheon				
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
Week 11	Fun Run Pep Rally PROP									1 st Quarter Honor Roll Ice Cream	
27	28	29	30	31							
Week 12							Sock-tober Drive Ends				