



PAINTED  
ROCK  
ACADEMY



February 2021

# Hawk News

## From the Principal's office

Greetings, Hawk Parents!

We are tremendously excited and very much looking forward to once again having in-person learning here at PRA beginning March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Although that is still a considerable wait, the Arizona official health benchmarks still recommend “virtual” learning for all schools in our area. This timeline also affords our staff the opportunity to get vaccinated against the COVID-19 coronavirus. This is essential since they do not have the option to stay home. Ultimately, we want our parents to have the educational choices they deserve and our staff and students to have the safety they deserve.

Over the coming days and weeks, we will reach out to each of our families to find out if you intend to return to in-person learning or remain off campus as a remote learner. The choice is yours. You will also (once again) receive information regarding the health and safety precautions PRA is taking for our students upon their return to campus.

In closing, we thank you for choosing Painted Rock Academy and are here for you. Please reach out to your child’s teachers with questions about assignments and any day-to-day activities with which you may be struggling to help your child. If you need assistance with anything else, please contact the front office. Finally, if you have a few minutes, please read the [linked](#) article Parent Tips and Tricks for Distance Learning. You may find a few helpful tips to help your child (and you) navigate this new (but temporary!) educational landscape.

**Mr. J. Bauer**, M.Ed., Principal

### Current Events

**Intent to Return E-Forms Available**  
Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

**Spirit Day / Virtual Morning Assembly**  
Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> 8:15 A.M.

**Progress Reports Available online**  
Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

**Valentine Parties**  
Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

**Early Release / Parent/Teacher Conferences**  
Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

**No School - Presidents’ Day**  
Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>

**School Board Meeting**  
Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M Reid Offices  
Parents are welcome to attend.

### Intent to Return E-Forms

A simple E-Form has been posted to your Parent Portal for each of your children in Kindergarten through 7<sup>th</sup> grade to confirm that they will return to Painted Rock Academy for the upcoming school year.

Please log in and complete the form(s) prior to February 19<sup>th</sup> to secure your child’s spot for the 2021-2022 class. If your academic choice is not Painted Rock Academy, you may indicate this choice on the same E-Form.

If you have additional questions, you may contact the Front Office at 623-466-8855.

For more information, please visit our website at [www.PaintedRockAcademy.com](http://www.PaintedRockAcademy.com)

## Move-A-Thon Virtual Fundraiser Kick off February 25<sup>th</sup>

In these unprecedented times of a worldwide pandemic and virtual learning, Painted Rock Academy understands now, more than ever, children need extra motivation to stay active and healthy. Our goal is to encourage our students to move and have fun while raising money for our school. The funds will go toward sports equipment and technology needs. Teachers will also earn a percentage to go toward their classrooms.

We hope families will enjoy this opportunity to get their kids moving!



### Parent Teacher Conferences

Every time you attend a parent/teacher conference, you get involved in your child's education and strengthen the bond with your child's teacher. Taking the following steps will ensure you and your child get the most out of the conference.

#### Before your scheduled conference:

- > Review Assignments: Are there goals your child has met and need to set new goals? Write down your concerns.
- > Check with your child's teacher regarding if your child should attend.
- > Confirm ZOOM information and expected screen name.

#### During your conference:

- > Join the ZOOM waiting room prior to your scheduled conference time.
- > Remember, this is a brief conference. Follow-up sessions may be available upon request.

#### After your conference:

- > Discuss your child's progress and set new goals.

### Social Emotional Skills

Nurturing your child's mental health helps them develop healthy identities, manage emotions and achieve goals. Support your child in their education and focus on how they are growing mentally.

Try these statements:

"You really challenged yourself and got the job done!"

"You worked really hard to understand the material. Your hard work and effort paid off!"

"Wow! You got \_\_\_ questions out of \_\_\_ correct! How did you do that?"

"I can tell you put a lot of time and effort into this."

## Class Virtual Parties Early Release Parent/Teacher Conferences

Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> is a half day for Parent/Teacher conferences.

Virtual Valentine parties also take place that day.

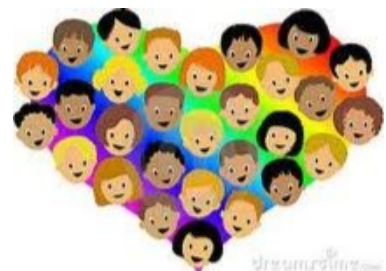
Here is the party and early release schedule, as a reminder.

Preschool parties 10:15-11:15 A.M. Dismissal is at 11:30 A.M.

Kindergarten party 9:50-10:50 A.M. for 11:05 A.M. dismissal

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade parties 10:15-11:15 A.M. for 11:30 A.M. dismissal

3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade parties 10:30 - 11:30 A.M. for 12:15 P.M. dismissal



# February 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

Week 22	1 K-7th Intent to Return E-Forms Available	2	3	4	5 Spirit Day Morning Classroom Awards	6
7 Week 23	8	9	10 Progress Reports Online	11	12 Valentine's Party 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. No Specials Early Release P/T Conf.	13
14 Week 24	15 No School President's Day	16	17	18	19 Intent to Return E-Forms Due	20
21 Week 25	22	23	24	25 Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.	26	27
28 Week 26						