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October 2020

Hawk News

From the Principal's Desk

Amazing Hawk Families:

Calendar Items:

Remember that there is no school on Monday, October 12th for staff development. Tuesday October 13th will be our first day of on-campus learning. Report cards will be available on the Parent Portal on Wednesday, October 14th. The following week of October 19th is also designated as conference week; however, teachers are free to schedule conferences at any time over the next several weeks. Please be on the lookout for communication from your teacher regarding conferences and note that all conferences will be either by phone or ZOOM, as visitors are not permitted on campus during Level Two.

P.M. Traffic:

With the return of students comes the return of traffic. Please drive carefully on and around campus. Remember to stay to the right when waiting in our pick-up line so that others may pass. This alleviates congestion and helps the traffic flow. When passing our line, please do so very carefully. Please do not block the driveways of our neighbors or use their driveways and/or parking lots to park. Finally, drive with patience, and don't forget your placard. Thank you.

A.M. Traffic:

There will be no before-school recess during Level Two; all students will report directly to their respective classrooms starting at 7:45 A.M. Students who arrive prior to 7:45 will report to Boulder Club in the MPR. All students should be dropped off along the north side of the building (same as in years past). A staff member will take each student's temperature using a non-touch thermometer prior to entry.

Boulder Club:

Boulder Club will be open during Level Two, beginning at 6:30 A.M. and after school until 6:15 P.M. We ask that you only use Boulder Club if absolutely necessary while we continue to try to limit our students to contact within their respective cohort. In order to use Boulder Club you must fill out the required paperwork. This is a state mandate. The forms for Academic Arcade (1st & 2nd Grade 2:15 P.M. to 3:15 P.M.) and Boulder Club are available on our website in the [Document Center](#) and must be turned in prior to using the programs. Please look for additional emailed information over the coming days. I am eager to seeing a portions of our students on October 13th, and look very much forward to another successful year at Painted Rock. No matter what the world throws at us, we will make this year great. Thank you for choosing Painted Rock Academy!

Mr. J. Bauer, M.Ed.

Upcoming Events

Spirit Day

Friday, October 2nd

End of 1st Quarter

Friday, October 9th

No School/Staff Development

Monday, October 12th

Level Two

Tuesday, October 13th

Report Cards On the Parent Portal

Wednesday, October 14th

Parent/Teacher Conferences/Early Release

Thursday, October 15th & Friday, October 16th

More Calendar items on our website. www.paintedrockacademy.com

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences are this month and will be conducted through Zoom. We would like to encourage you that children excel in school when their parents are involved in their education. Conferences are one way to get involved. Every time you attend a parent/teacher conference, you learn more about your child's education and strengthen the bond with your child's teacher. Making parent/teacher conferences a priority and taking the following steps will ensure you and your child get the most out of the conference.

Before your scheduled meeting:

*Talk with your child: Find out his/her favorite subjects or activities, and ask if there are any concerns he/she would like for you to discuss with their teacher.

*Review assignments: Are there some areas where your child really shines and others that may need some extra work? Prepare to discuss both strengths and weaknesses with their teacher.

*Check if your child should attend the conference: In most cases, the conferences are strictly between the parents and your child's teacher.

The day of the conference:

*Be on time: The conference schedule is tight and teachers need all parents to be prompt. If you need to reschedule, notify the teacher as soon as possible.

*Remember that conferences are brief: A conference is typically 15-20 minutes. A follow-up session may be requested as needed.

*Keep an open mind: Remember these conferences are meant to help you understand your child's school performance. Some parents get angry when teachers discuss trouble spots. Working together with the teacher will help your child succeed.

Afterward:

*Tell your child: Discuss with your child the teacher's comments and how you plan to help them excel. Remember to praise all the areas your child is doing well and pass along the teacher's compliments. If you need to, talk about areas that you and the teacher will be working on to help your child improve.

Thank you.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Carrington College nursing students worked alongside our school nurse, Mrs. Andrews, RN, to complete the necessary hearing and vision screening for a portion of our students. We are very thankful for the time they donated to PRA!



Boulder Club

When Level Two begins on October 13th we will once again offer Boulder Club, the before- and after-school care for our students. We ask that you only use Boulder Club if it is absolutely necessary to aid us in limiting contact between cohorts of students. If you plan to use Boulder Club, please review our [Handbook](#). We will follow the safety protocols in place during the school day, including wearing a mask. If you have any questions, please call the office at 623-466-8855.

Academic Arcade

We offer our 1st and 2nd grade students the opportunity to participate in the Academic Arcade program. This program was developed to help those families who have siblings who dismiss at different times. The program runs during the final academic hour of the school day, and will begin on October 13th. Please complete the [Registration Form](#) and [Activity Permission](#) and submit them to the Office by email or on paper during office hours.

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Week 8				1 PROP Meeting 3:00 p.m. *Zoom Meeting	2 Spirit Day	3
4 Week 9	5	6	7	8	9 End of 1st Quarter	10
11 Week 10	12 No School Staff Development	13 Level 2 begins today	14 Report Cards Parent Portal	15 Parent/Teacher Conferences Early Release (12:15 p.m.)	16 Parent/Teacher Conferences Early Release (12:15 p.m.)	17
18 Week 11	19	20	21	22 Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.	23	24
25 Week 12	26	27	28	29	30	31