



## From the Principal's Desk

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

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Congratulations on completing the first quarter of the 2016-2017 school year. With three quarters of the year still to come, I would like to make a few suggestions that I hope you will find beneficial in making the rest of the school year a success.

Excellent attendance is vital to student success. Students who are present and on time for school are more inclined to take school commitments seriously. As a result, they perform better in school. When a student is absent, he/she loses valuable academic time and instruction. Your cooperation in having your child at school on time is greatly appreciated.

Completing and turning in homework on time is another valuable habit you can help us teach your children. Homework not only helps students academically by reinforcing the skills they were taught that day, but it also helps them learn responsibility. The responsibility for completing homework on time lies with each student. You can help your children succeed by setting a time and place for them to do their homework. Showing your children that you are interested in their education by making sure their work is complete, and requesting they show it to you, increases their desire to perform at a higher level. Too many students are choosing Opportunity Club daily, and it is easily avoidable by merely fulfilling this responsibility. Homework is given to enhance students' education and is not a punishment for you or your children. It also helps create a partnership between home and school.

Painted Rock Academy is committed to providing your children with the best education possible, and we cannot do that without you. With your help, this will be a successful year.

Thank you for your support, and for choosing Painted Rock Academy for your child's education.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bauer, Principal

## Upcoming Events

### Fall Book Fair

Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>–Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip

Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

### PROP Meeting

Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:15 a.m. in the Parent Room.

### Fall Festival/Book Fair

Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

### Spirit Day/Morning Assembly

Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 a.m.

### K-8 Open Enrollment Begins/Preschool Waiting

List Opens for 2017-2018

Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m.

### High School Night

Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00 –7:30 p.m.

This is an opportunity for 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade families to learn about High Schools in the area.

### Early Release/Staff Development

Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>

### No School/Veterans' Day

Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

### Food Drive

Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

### Progress Reports Sent Home

Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>

### Picture Retakes

Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>

### Yogurtini Family Fun Night

Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the 475 E. Bell Rd. location.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip

Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

### Turkey Trot

Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> & Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

All students K-8 will be participating with a parade and outdoor events! Watch for more information coming soon for times.

### Spelling Bee

Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 p.m.

### No School/Thanksgiving Break

Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> - Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>



## Waiting List for 2017-2018 School Year

Now is the time to start talking with your friends about signing up at Painted Rock Academy for August 2017. We will start accepting new student applications for next year on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, and we will establish a waiting list order in December, so have them sign up soon.

We also need to know if your family is planning to enroll any new siblings at Painted Rock Academy, for kindergarten or for other grades. We are glad to reserve spots for siblings of current students; please fill out a waiting list application online at [www.paintedrockacademy.com](http://www.paintedrockacademy.com) for new siblings so we can hold their places.



### Traffic Reminders

- Remember to stay to the right if you are in our pick-up line, as close to the curb as possible so that passing traffic can get by.
- If you're not in our line or have already picked up your children, you may carefully pass our line to the left.
- When passing our line, please do so very carefully. Many parents with students cross between traffic rather than at the crosswalk, which would be much safer. Nevertheless, passing vehicles often speed around the line, creating an unsafe situation. Please, please, please, watch for children, even where they shouldn't be.
- Whether dropping off or picking up on the north side of the building, be sure to look for traffic and pedestrians before pulling away from the curb. Vehicles are often passing by to the left, and some families park in the lot and walk across the parking lot. Please be observant and drive carefully at all times for the safety of our kiddos! Thank you!
- Please refrain from walking up and entering the P.E. room from the outside (north side of the building) during the afternoon dismissal to retrieve your children, as this creates an unsafe situation in the already congested parking lot. Not to mention that in effect, it is cutting in front of all of those people who waited in line as instructed. If you wish to walk into the building to pick up your children, instruct your kids to go to the "walk-up" pick up area near the front office. You may then park your vehicle, walk in, and retrieve them (with your placard, of course).

During the course of your busy days, please remember to drive safely on and around campus so that all of our students can be safe. Being a school of choice, without bussing services and little foot traffic, provides us with a challenging traffic situation. I commend the overwhelming majority of our drivers for following our procedures and driving carefully.

Thank you for putting the safety of our students first.

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Boosterthon was a BIG success! Students did well raising pledges and collecting them after the run. Thanks for all the hard work. We look forward to the shade awning that will be put up with this year's funds.

Also, we reached our goal, which means 25 lucky students will get to throw a water balloon at Mr. Bauer and Friday's morning assembly.

Great job, Hawks!



# November 2016

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
	Fall Book Fair					
		5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip	Student Council Meeting	PROP Meeting 8:30 a.m. Fall Festival/ Book Fair 6:15 - 7:45 p.m.	Spirit Day & Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.	
6	7 KG-8 <sup>th</sup> grade Open Enrollment 2017-2018 Begins 7:30 a.m.  Preschool Waiting List 2017-2018 Opens	8	9	10 Early Release- Staff Development	11 No School Veterans' Day 	12
13	14	15	16 Progress Reports Sent Home  Picture Retakes	17	18 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip	19
	Food Drive					
20	21 Turkey Trot  Spelling Bee 1:30 p.m.	22 Turkey Trot	23 24 25 No School Thanksgiving Break			26
27	28	29	30			