



From the Principal's Desk

Greetings, Painted Rock families! As usual, this school year is flying by. Here we are, a few weeks from winter break and the half-way point in the school year. I am very much looking forward to next Friday's assembly, where I and a few teachers will be silly-stringed by 24 lucky students. I hope you can make it here to watch! Once again we achieved our fundraising goal for the Fun Run event, and we are working with PROP to make good use of the money in a way that will benefit our students and school. Thank you so much for all of your support.

As always, I want to remind you to follow the driving procedures and laws around campus. With over 600 students and no bussing, we have to get a tremendous amount of traffic through our property during those busy times of the day. A few things I have noticed and would like to point out: in the A.M. we do not need to operate two lanes heading south on 25th drive (front of the school). We do not get the back-up from the long line in the morning, only from pedestrian traffic, so there is no need to have that second lane turning right onto Banff in the A.M. Additionally, traffic traveling towards the freeway on Banff is not necessarily turning into our entrance. If you are headed west on Banff in the left lane, do not turn right across traffic into our entrance, assuming the vehicles to your right are also turning in; they may be going straight, and you may cause an accident. As always, the most important factor is patience. Please don't be in a hurry when there is heavy traffic and children present. That is never a good situation. Thank you.

Finally, as we approach the second half of the school year, please encourage your students to work hard and focus on academics. The level of academic rigor picks up during the second half of the year, as do the expectations that each student will take responsibility for his or her academics. We will continue to push ourselves and our students to achieve at our full potential, and not accept less.

I sincerely hope that each and every PRA family has a wonderful holiday break. It is well-deserved.

Mr. J. Bauer, Principal



Tax credit donations are used for many things. Recently, our schools have purchased sports equipment for school teams, paid referee fees, purchased music, paid coaches, purchased games and art supplies for after school programs, purchased materials for after school clubs, and funded intramural and state-wide competition costs. With your help, we have been able to expand the extracurricular opportunities for our students, and they appreciate it.

Please complete a Tax Credit Donation form, available [here](#), and mail it to us with your donation check, or you can donate by credit card online [here](#). Full details about the Arizona Tax Credit Donation are on our website [Tax Credit Donation Information](#) page.

Upcoming Events

PROP Meeting

Thursday, December 6th at 8:15 A.M. in the Parent Room.

NJHS Meeting

Thursday, December 6th from 3:30 - 4:15 P.M.

Spirit Day/Morning Assembly

Friday, December 7th, the Morning Assembly is at 8:15 A.M. on the basketball court. Come see Mr. Bauer get silly stringed for meeting the Boosterthon goal.

7th - 8th grade Winter Dance

Friday, December 7th from 6:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Winter Choir Concert

Tuesday, December 11th, 6:00 P.M. in the P.E. Room.

Geography Bee

Thursday, December 13th at 1:00 P.M. in the MPR.

Reid Traditional Schools and Painted Rock

Academy Board Meetings

Thursday, December 13th at 6:00 P.M. School board meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend.

Caught Bee-ing Good

Friday, December 14th during lunches.

4th Grade Field Trip

Friday, December 14th

5th Grade Field Trip

Tuesday, December 18th

1st Grade Field Trip

Friday, December 19th

STUCO Meeting (Executive Council Only)

Wednesday, December 19th from 3:30 - 3:45 P.M.

Winter Parties/Early Release

Thursday, December 20th

Preschool party 10:15-10:45 A.M. for 11:30 A.M.

dismissal

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

dismissal

1st & 2nd grade parties 10:15-11:15 A.M. for 11:30 A.M.

dismissal

3rd - 8th grade parties 10:30 - 11:30 A.M. for 12:15 P.M.

dismissal

There is No P.M. Boulder Club. All students must be picked up at their dismissal time.

No School/Winter Break

Friday, December 21st - Friday, January 4th

No School Monday, January 7th for Staff Development

School resumes Tuesday, January 8th

Upcoming Sports

Boys' Basketball Game (Away)

Tuesday, December 11th at 4:30 P.M. vs. Brighton @ Bennett

Girls'/Boys' Basketball Games (Home)

Wednesday, December 12th at 4:00 P.M. & 5:30 P.M. vs. Westland

Girls'/Boys' Basketball Games (Away)

Monday, December 17th at 4:45 P.M. & 5:45 P.M. vs. Ethos @ Bennett

Boys' Basketball Game (Home)

Wednesday, December 19th at 4:45 P.M. vs. Milestones

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to our girls' volleyball team! They put forth great effort and sportsmanship and brought home a third trophy for Painted Rock Academy! Way to go, Lady Hawks, on earning second place in the league, again!



Team captains: Brynlee S., Rosa B., & Liz M.

Several students from Painted Rock Academy participated in a Math League Contest on Saturday, November 17th. There were 4 parts to the competition including Number Sense, Word Problems, Sprint Round, and Team Test. Seven of the students qualified for District Championships in March. We had four students place in the top 5 for their grade levels: third grader Kavyadharshini H. placed 3rd and fourth graders Akshay S. placed 3rd, Shirish M. placed 4th, and Jacob N. placed 5th. Way to go, Hawks! This is a great accomplishment, congratulations!



Congratulations to our 7th Annual Scripps Spelling Bee Winners
 1st place winner -
 Deshna U. (4th grade)
 2nd place -
 Christian S. (4th grade)



Painted Rock Academy's 5th Annual Turkey Trot was a loads of fun!





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9	10	11 Boys' Basketball Away Game Winter Choir Concert 6:00 P.M.	12 Boys'/Girls' Basketball Home Games	13 Geography Bee 1:00 P.M. Board Meeting 6:00 P.M.	14 Caught Bee-ing Good 4 th grade field trip	15
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