



# AMERICAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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*\* The asterisk throughout the newsletter indicates information that is new.*

## School Calendar–Salem Campus

**February 28, 2020**

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| Tues., Mar. 3  | Choir Concert, 6 pm  |
| Thurs., Mar. 5 | <b>Noon Dismissal</b> , ALL Grades (Parent Teacher Conferences)<br>PM-Kindergarten Attends, NO Lunches Served.<br>No Elementary Extended Day   |
| Fri., Mar. 6   | Elementary Midterm Missing Work Deadline<br><b>Noon Dismissal</b> , ALL Grades (Parent Teacher Conferences)<br>AM-Kindergarten Attends, NO Lunches Served.<br>No Elementary Extended Day |

### ***Looking ahead.....***

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| Tues., Mar. 10 | Band and Orchestra Concert, 6 pm              |
| Mon., Mar. 16  | *Secondary End of Term Missing Work Deadline  |
| Tues., Mar. 17 | *“The Music Man Jr.” Performance, 7 pm        |
| Wed., Mar. 18  | *“The Music Man Jr.” Performance, 7 pm        |
| Fri., Mar. 20  | *“The Music Man Jr.” Performance, 7 pm        |
| Fri., Mar. 27  | *Elementary End of Term Missing Work Deadline |

You will find all events, updates, and extracurricular activity schedules on our campus calendar at [www.salem.americanprep.org](http://www.salem.americanprep.org).

### **\*February Builders Theme: I Am a Builder When I Befriend Others**

This week we would like to share a poem with you written by Edgar A. Guest that perfectly embodies our builders theme for the month of February. Please read it at home and discuss it with your family members.

“The Making of Friends”

If nobody smiled and nobody cheered and nobody helped us along,  
If each every minute looked after himself and good things all went to the strong,  
If nobody cared just a little for you, and nobody thought about me,  
And we stood all alone to the battle of life, what a dreary old world it would be!

If there were no such a thing as a flag in the sky as a symbol of comradeship here,  
If we lived as the animals live in the woods, with nothing held sacred or dear,  
And selfishness ruled us from birth to the end, and never a neighbor had we,  
And never we gave to another in need, what a dreary old world it would be!

Oh, if we were rich as the richest on earth and strong as the strongest that lives,  
Yet never we knew the delight and the charm of the smile which the other man gives,  
If kindness were never a part of ourselves, though we owned all the land we could see,  
And friendship meant nothing at all to us here, what a dreary old world it would be!



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Life is sweet just because of the friends we have made and the things which in common we share;  
We want to live on not because of ourselves, but because of the people who care;  
It's giving and doing for somebody else—on that all life's splendor depends,  
And the joy of this world, when you've summed it all up, is found in the making of friends.

## **\*Ambassadors**

We had our last event before our Ball preparation event. The 70's Flashback event helped students learn how to relax through hard times and manage finger foods on a plate. The students also learned how money works, what makes people great, and about gratitude. In the communication folder are some quiz questions to see what your students learned. See how well you and your students do with the questions.

## **Upcoming Events**

The following are our upcoming events. Please contact Mrs. Denning if you wish to help with these events:

- 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Galaxy Quest on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 (This is an updated date).
- 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grade Top Hat and Tails on March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This event will focus on preparing for the Balls.
- Family Waltz Night on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Families will be able to learn the waltz to prepare for the Balls.

## **\*Staff Appreciation Week**

Staff appreciation week is approaching fast. A big thank you to everyone who has participated in our fundraiser and volunteered to decorate doors so far. Please encourage your children to participate by giving them the opportunity to earn \$5.00 to contribute to the fundraiser. All money is due by March 6<sup>th</sup>. Elementary students will give the money to their teachers. Secondary students will give their money to the secondary office. Thanks again for supporting APA teachers and staff. Let us show them together that they are “positively” the best.

## **Box Tops**

Have you tried the new Box Tops mobile app? Collecting money for the school through Box Tops for Education is easier than ever. When you buy Box Tops products, you will scan your receipt through the new mobile app within 14 days of the purchase, and the school automatically gets Box Tops earnings without you having to cut out anything.

The school can earn double the amount of money during the transition period from the old labels to the new labels. If you buy a product that has an old Box Tops label, scan the receipt **and** cut out the Box Top to send to the school.

## **Reading Challenges**

The 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are in the middle of their reading challenges. Ask your student(s) about this fun program.