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Dear APA Parents:

The Academy will open the new school year on Monday, August 23 and students should report to their respective homeroom at 8:15 a.m. The school day will end at 12:35 on Monday and Tuesday. We will begin our regular day schedule on Wednesday, August 25 with a 2:35 p.m. dismissal. Refer to school's website at www.parrottacademy.org and link to calendar.

CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

Class assignments for grades 1-5 will be made a few days prior to the opening of school. Classrooms are numbered and student rosters will be posted at each classroom on opening day. Elementary grades are located in the following buildings: Jr Transition (Modular), Transition (Wooten Building), Kindergarten (Wooten Building -two sections and one section in new addition), Grades 1-3 (Mewborne Hall), Grades 4-5 (Davis Building). Middle school and high school students should follow their schedules, which will be received by mail.

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Orientation for new students in grades 6-12 is Tuesday, August 17 in the APA library at the following times - grades 6-8 (10:00), grades 9-12 (11:00).

YOU ARE INVITED

The Mothers' Committee will host an Opening Day Coffee for all parents in the Nelson-Williams Building at 8:00 a.m. The Mothers' Committee traditionally meets the first day of school to give parents an overview of activities planned for the year and to begin organizing volunteers. Please join us to hear about plans for this school year.

SCHOOL STORE

The Mothers' Committee will sponsor a School Store in the main lobby on August 23-27. Many items such as APA t-shirts, sweatshirts, stadium cushions and bumper stickers will be available. Additional order forms will be sent home the first week of school.

BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

The 7th grade will sell Birthday Calendars during the month of September. Calendars cost \$5.00 each. Please see Mrs. Basden to purchase 2010-2011 birthday calendar.

GIFT WRAP SALE

Our annual gift-wrap sale will begin on Monday, August 23. Sales brochures will be sent home with students. The sale is one of the Mothers' Committee's biggest projects of the year so SELL! SELL! SELL!

BOOSTER CLUB

The Booster Club will have its organizational meeting on Tuesday evening, August 3, at 6:00 in the school library. Please plan to attend and support Patriot athletics.

FALL SPORTS (Grades 7-12)

Prior to the beginning of practice, all players are required to have the APA athletic health form signed by a physician certifying their fitness to participate and a medical authorization form in the event of illness or injury. The required forms should be downloaded from the school's website. Forms can be turned into the office or given to the coach by the first day of practice. Practice for the various sports will begin as follows:

Sunday, August 1	Varsity Football	11:00pm "MIDNIGHT MADNESS"
Monday, August 2	Varsity Volleyball	10:00am
	Varsity Cheerleading	1:00pm - Camp
Monday, August 9	Varsity & JV Soccer	8:30am
	Varsity & JV Field Hockey	9:00am
	Varsity & JV Girls Tennis	9:00am
Tuesday, August 10	Middle School & JV Volleyball	10:00am
Monday, August, 16	JV Football	9:00am
Monday, August 23	Cross Country	12:45pm

FRIENDS OF THE FINE ARTS

The Friends of the Fine Arts will have its organizational meeting on Thursday, August 26 at 8:15 a.m. in the lobby of the Nelson-Williams Building. Please plan to attend and support the Arts at APA.

MAGAZINE SALE

The Junior Class will begin taking orders for magazine subscriptions and renewals on Friday, September 3. In addition, you may call the school office, and we will have a student take your order.

GRADE FIELD TRIPS

Please note the following dates on your calendar:

6 th grade trip to Williamsburg, VA	TBA (Spring)
7 th grade trip to Washington, D.C.	September 15-17
8 th grade trip to Camp Cheerio	September 13-15
9 th grade trip to Outer Banks	April 26-28

OPEN HOUSE

Open Houses for all grades are posted on the 2nd page of the annual calendar. We hope everyone will make a special effort to attend Open House and meet the teachers.

LIBRARY WISHING TREE

During each Open House, parents will have the opportunity to purchase books for the library in honor of their children, their children's teachers, or some other special person. A nameplate is placed in the front of each book to acknowledge the person being honored. Please consider this gift to the APA library to recognize someone special.

ATTENTION: JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Brush up for the fall PSAT and SAT on August 10 - August 12 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm in the high school building. Mrs. Kennedy will be reviewing the writing, Mrs. Southerland will review reading and Mrs. Henderson will review math. The cost of the class is \$180.00. If you are interested in signing up for the class, please contact Mrs. Gilmore at 522-4222 ext 228.

ALERTNOW

It's time to submit your ALERTNOW information for the 2010-2011 school year. This information is used to notify you by phone of school closings due to inclement weather or other events. Go to the ALERTNOW data entry page under the 'Parent Info' tab on the APA website. This information must be resubmitted every year.

UPDATE CONTACT INFORMATION

Please make sure we have your current contact information, including e-mail address. As most school communication is by e-mail, it is important that we have your current e-mail address prior to school opening. You may submit changes online at the school's website under the "Parent Info" tab.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND OPENINGS

We anticipate an opening day enrollment of 715 + students for the upcoming school year. If you know of prospective families with children, please encourage them to visit the school.

TUITION AGREEMENT AND LUNCH ENROLLMENT FORM

Please be reminded that your 2010-2011 tuition agreements are due. If we have failed to forward the appropriate forms to you, please call Marianne Ervin at 522-0410, ext 205.

We look forward to seeing each of you in the new year and to working with you and your child!

With kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hugh Pollock".

L. Hugh Pollock
Interim Headmaster