

3rd-6th Fireweed Academy Newsletter

December 15, 2014

Transportation Theme:

The transportation theme always amazes us and did again last week. We had guest speakers Libby Riddles, the first woman to win the Iditarod, in on Wednesday and boat builder, Dave Seamen, on Friday. The students asked great questions, and were able to learn a lot about sled dog racing and boat building. In 3rd - 5th ELA they made cards for Libby, and plan to spend time making cards for all the wonderful field trips/guest speakers we've had the opportunity to see this quarter.

Share the Spirit

The boxes are almost filled and will be picked up next week. There is still time to bring in canned goods and fill these to overflowing.



Skating Party on Tuesday... FYI...

We are skating on Tuesday. Each student needs a HELMET or they cannot skate. If you do not have a helmet for your child let Janet know. Parent chaperones should be at the arena at 12:45pm.

Swimming Party on Thursday... FYI...

We are swimming on Thursday. Students need swimsuit and towel. Chaperones should be at the pool by 12:40 pm and will start by helping in the entry area and locker rooms.

Talent Show on Wednesday

We have scheduled an opportunity for students to show off their talents on December 17th, from 2:00 - 3:00. Past talent shows have featured gymnastics, rhythm and song, mandolin, violin, keyboard, and vocal performances. The more, the merrier!

Gift Exchange

We will be having a gift exchange on Thursday. Each student should bring in a wrapped gift with no labels. The gift can be a gently used book or toy or a homemade item and should be appropriate for either gender. Please no candy! If you choose to purchase a gift for the exchange, please do not spend more than \$5.

Upcoming 3-6 Dates: Mark your calendars!

- December 16th Skate party -Kevin Bell Arena 1:15-2:15pm
- Dec 17th Talent Show 2-3pm
- December 18th Gift Exchange in AM and Swim Party Kate Kuhns Aquatic Center 1-2pm
- Dec 19th No School End of 2nd Quarter
- Dec 19th - Jan 3rd Winter Break

Inservice Agenda for Teachers: December 19th.

- Report Cards: Plan Accommodating the new Alaska Standards
- AMP testing update
- Collaboration for 3rd quarter Invention planning
Share Theme and Project topics
Schedule Specials and PE
Lesson Plans
- Student Growth Maps
Making calibratable Assessments