

3rd-6th Fireweed Academy Newsletter

February 9, 2015

Artist in the School This Week:

Ann Margaret Wimmerstedt will be joining Big Fireweed for the next two weeks. She will be teaching us about an ancient form of painting with hot wax called "Encaustics". The word comes from the Greek word enkaustikos which means "to burn in". Students will have the opportunity to explore the techniques on their own plywood "canvas". Thank you to Abe "Mr. Kiki" and Kiki for supplying us with the Plywood blocks!



Invention Process Update:

- Intent to Invent Forms were due last week. Please help your child turn theirs in as soon as possible.
- Students will be working on their "About the Inventor" autobiographies this week in Language Arts.
- Students will be using project time to work on their inventions and invention logs.

Open Enrollment

Open Enrollment: February is our open enrollment month. Current students will not go through the lottery however **ALL** returning students must complete an 'Intent to Enroll' form. This holds your spot and lets us figure out how much space we will have for new students next year. Intent Enroll forms were emailed home last month and again today; hard copies are

available at both schools. Be sure to return them no later than Feb 27th. And tell your friends and neighbors-it open enrollment time at Fireweed! Have them call me for more information and to arrange a visit to our school! Janet 235-9728

Afterschool Math Club:

Math club will continue this semester. Students will meet in Kris' room on Mondays from 3:15-4:15PM. Please contact Kris or Janet if you need a permission slip.

FUNDRAISERS

- 1. JAZZLINE Fundraiser:** The bake sale fundraiser was a great success over the weekend. K2 made \$371, 3-5 made \$319 and 6th made \$295 for a grand total \$985.00! Plus Kate Rich donating \$80 form making pet/id tags during the Saturday evening performance. A big thanks to all the parents for participating with donations and time, To Bunnell Street Art gallery for letting us have all the show to do treats, and a **huge** thanks to Paula Kulhanek for pulling this together for us.
- 2. Winter Carnival:** The 6th graders will have hot chocolate and coffee booths at the winter carnival in fount of Homers Jeans and in the parking lot at Bay Realty. When you need a warm-up....check them out!
- 3. The Feb 20th Soup Fundraiser is cancelled.**

From The District:

The KPBSD Board of Education seeks public input into its process to select a superintendent of schools. The school board invites input from everyone interested in schools, including parents, students, KPBSD staff, site councils, PTAs, volunteers, business and community organizations that partner with schools, community groups, and the public. The school board has sole responsibility for the selection of candidates, final interviews, and selection of the superintendent, but would like to consider the views and interests of the public to help guide those decisions.

Visit the district's website, www.KPBSD.org, and follow the link on the homepage to rank attributes of importance in the next superintendent, submit general comments, and for more information about further opportunities for input as the process progresses.

[Superintendent of Schools Search](http://www.KPBSD.org) webpage with survey link:
<http://bit.ly/2015SuperintendentSearch>

From the District

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District is holding a Public Budget Meeting on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the Homer High School library. Everyone interested is encouraged to attend. If there are questions, please contact Lassie Nelson at 714-8838.

Upcoming 3-6 Dates: Mark your calendars!

- February 9-20th: Ann Margaret Wimmerstedt: Artist in the Schools
- February 20-Soup Bowl Fundraiser
- March 4th- Invention Convention
- March 6th- Teacher In-service/ End of Quarter
- March 6th-15th Spring Break