

3rd-6th Fireweed Academy Newsletter

November 17th, 2014

Transportation Theme:

From explorations with "putt-putt" boats, to the Oregon Trail the students are exploring historical, current, and futuristic transportation methods.

On Friday morning, Kiki surprised us with a presentation about the horse and carriage mode of transportation!



Guest Speakers / Field Trips:

Marty Zeller and a group of Flex school students led our sixth graders in an improv workshop last week. The sixth graders "paid it forward" by leading the 3rd-5th graders in an improv workshop on Friday afternoon! Their enthusiasm was contagious and they quickly engaged the 3rd & 4th graders with improvational games and situations. The leadership skills and attitude of our sixth grade teachers reflected great progress towards the Fireweed Learner Outcomes, particularly in the areas of Cooperation, Creativity, and Personal Growth.

We have scheduled a field trip to the Homer Flight Service Station on Friday of this week and are looking forward to learning about their role in transportation.



*Homer Rotary donated dictionaries to Fireweed 3rd/4th last week.
We have a terrific community with terrific organizations!*

Scholastic Book Orders

Book orders were due this passed Friday. We are extending it to this Wednesday. If you or your child would like to order a book please return the form with payment to Hannah or Kiki by Wednesday. If you need a book order form ask your child to pick one up from Hannah on Tuesday.

Share the Spirit

We will be participating in Share the spirit this year, collecting dry and canned foods for Holiday baskets. We encourage you and your student to participate in this event.

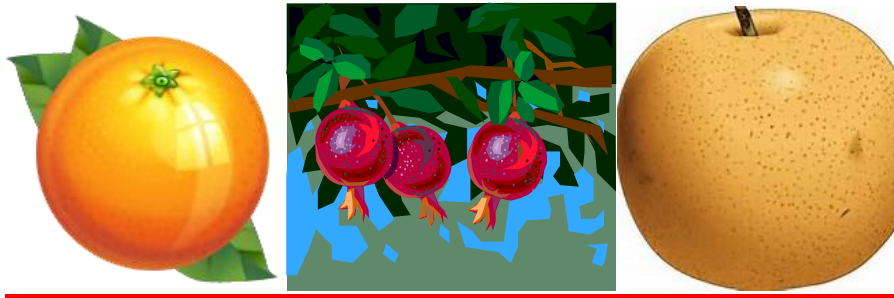
Chaperones Needed for December Swim & Skate Parties

This is early notice for events scheduled the week before winter break. The first is a Swim Party Kate scheduled on December 16th at the Kuhns Aquatic Center. We will need parent chaperones who want to swim! On December 18th we will be going skating at the Kevin Bell Ice Arena, and need folks to help with getting skates onto the kids. If you want to skate, that would be great too! All chaperones need to have completed the volunteer screening process. It takes just a few minutes to complete, and all information gathered is confidential. Follow this link to get started on the screening: <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/departments.aspx?id=19556>

Talent Show

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! Please encourage your student to participate.

FARM FRESH FUNDRAISER



Everyone should have received an order form for our fruit fundraiser. **They are due back to me, with the money collected, no later than November 24th-before Thanksgiving.** I have to submit the orders the next day. Delivery is anticipated to be during the first week of December, perfect for holiday gifts! If you have questions about how this works, give me a call. Janet - 235-9728

Afterschool Monday Math Club

Math club is on Mondays after school and all 3rd - 6th grade students with a permission slip are welcome.

Upcoming 3-6 Dates: Mark your calendars!

- Nov 21st Field Trip to Flight Service Station - Homer Airport
- Nov 26th Early Release Day-1:45pm Buses will be available
- Nov 27th and 28th No School - Thanksgiving Break
- December 16th Swim Party Kate Kuhns Aquatic Center
- Dec 19th No School End of 2nd Quarter
- Dec 19th - Jan 3rd Winter Break