

3-6 Fireweed Academy Newsletter

Week of Dec 10, 2012

APC NEWS

There is an APC meeting this week on Wednesday, Dec. 12th at 4:30 at the Little Fireweed East Campus. ALL ARE INVITED. The agenda includes: Board Election Update, Board Development, budget evaluation and staff reductions and outreach.

Bus Protocol

First Student (our bus company) is very concerned about the vehicles which are passing busses in the bus lane during the morning drop off. Do not pass a school bus while it is in a bus lane - when a school bus is in a school lane the assumption is that the red lights are on and the stop paddle out. Let's keep our students staff and visitors safe!

Next Week's Field Trips

Kate Kuhns Aquatic Center: Wednesday 12:30 - 1:30 Big Fireweed Academy Community Swim

Kevin Bell Arena: Thursday 1:00 - 2:00 Big Fireweed Academy Community Skate

We can always use extra adults to help us in the boys and girls locker room at the pool and tying skates at the rink. Please contact Janet and make sure you have filled out the volunteer forms.

From The District:

We have just received an important notice for all KPBSD families—Beginning January 1, 2013, **Public Health must discontinue provision of all state supplied vaccine to fully insured children.** What does this mean for our school community?

- Students who have Denali Kid Care or who are Alaska Native/American Indian and those who are either uninsured or underinsured (insurance does not cover shots) **WILL** continue to be able to receive immunizations at Public Health.
- Anyone who has private insurance that covers vaccines or who does not know if their private insurance covers vaccines will be referred to their personal care provider and **WILL NOT** be able to get immunizations at Public Health.
- Until these changes take place, parents with insurance may still use Public Health for children's immunizations that are required for school entry. Please make sure to check your child's shot records and plan ahead. Remember, Public Health does not require you to verify insurance benefits or income in order to qualify. Please call now to schedule an appointment before the January 1 changes occur.

Sledding At Recess and Appropriate Gear

Some day there will be enough snow for sledding at recess... If your 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade child plans to sled, they must have snow pants, coat, hat, and gloves/mittens, boots. The 5th / 6th are not required to have snow pants, but must have all other outdoor gear.

Afterschool Homework Help

Kris continues an afterschool Math support on Mondays and Stephanie continues an afterschool Math homework help group on Wednesdays from 3:15 -4:15. Please arrange for an on time pickup for your child.

Volunteers Welcome in 2-4 Literacy

Volunteers are welcomed to join literacy in the mornings from 8:45-9:50 for 4th grade and 10:10-11:15 for 2-3rd grades. Ways to help include reading or writing with students, helping student type their stories, organizing our classroom library, sharing a story with the class, or just come in to visit. Please R.S.V.P. -Mindy

Absent students

Parents: Please, please Call Janet at the FWA office (235-9728) to let her know if your student will be absent from school for any reason.

<u>Upcoming 3-6 Dates: Mark your calendars!</u>

December 12 th	APC meeting at Little Fireweed at 4:30pm
December 14 th	Salmon dissections with Fish and Game
Dec. 19 th	Big Fireweed at Kate Kuhns Aquatic Center 12:30 - 1:30p.m.
Dec. 20 th	Big Fireweed at Kevin Bell Arena 1:00 - 2:00p.m.
Dec 20 th	Fireweed West Gift Exchange and Last Day of School before Winter Break
Dec 21 st	No School- Teacher In-service