



3rd-6th Fireweed Academy Newsletter For the week of January 23rd 2017

CHANGE!

Theme Group Studies

This is the second week of a two-week rotation of students through our Change Theme Groups. Students in Jon's group have been looking at the changes that take place for humans as they move from birth to becoming elders. Topics have included physiological changes in bones, teeth, and muscles (we learned that growing pains are NOT caused by rapid growth). Alongside this, students are working on a set of self-portraits of themselves as a baby, kindergartener, teenager, grown-up and an elder. They will also be writing about memories from their infant and K years, current happenings from this year, and predictions for their teen, grown-up and elderly stages of life.



Link Up Concert 2017

For the past few years Fireweed students have participated in the Kenai Peninsula Orchestra Link Up concert. This is funded through Carnegie Hall. Students learn a few recorder songs, dance movies, singing, and this year maracas! It's a great opportunity to learn a new skill, and gain confidence in some of our learner outcomes. This year's concert will be on Friday January 20th, 2017. Students are asked to come at **5:45 p.m.** for a practice at the Homer High School. The concert then begins at **7:00 p.m.** Please let us know if your child will attend this year.

Student Led Conferences

Student led conferences are Thursday and Friday, Feb 9 and 10, 2017 (there is no school on those days.) Please call Janet at 235-9728 to make your conference appointment.

From Student Nutritional Service

Reapplying for Meal Benefits

Due to the reduced 2016 PFD, KPBSD Student Nutrition Services would like to encourage families that may have applied and were denied for Free lunches or qualified for reduced lunches but think they may qualify for free lunches to reapply after January 1, 2017.

If you have not applied for Free or reduced meal benefits for this school year and would like to know if you qualify, please fill out the application and submit.

Meal benefits applications may be applied for online at www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us. The application is located on the Students/Parents page then scroll down to online meal application or you may pick up an application at any of the KPBSD schools or the Student Nutrition office at 139 E. Park Ave. Soldotna.

Upcoming 3-6 Dates: Mark your calendars!

February 8th	Early release day
February 9 th and 10 th	Student Lead Conferences
Mar. 10 th -17 th	Spring Break