

K-2 FIREWEED NEWSLETTER

October 5th, 2015

HAPPENINGS



ANCHOR RIVER COHO EGG TAKE



This Wednesday, Oct. 7th

We will be heading to the Anchor River for a program hosted by the AK Department of Fish and Game. We will learn about the life cycle of the Coho salmon and return with fertilized egg for our classroom incubation tank. We leave at 12:40 following an 11:50 lunch, and return in time for buses home.

SCHOOL PICTURES

School photos will be taken on Wednesday, October 7th this year. The photographer will begin about 9:15am. Siblings are welcome! Picture packets will be sent home a week prior to picture day.

SAVE THIS DATE!

Harvest Potluck & Cycles Celebration at Little Fireweed- Wednesday, Oct 14th

Harvest potluck and Cycles celebration of songs, dances and film from 12:30- 2:15 PM. We also need a parent to bake our potatoes for "Potatoe Sundaes" and bring them 'piping hot' to school just before the potluck. Please let us know if you are willing to be a potato baker! Thanks!

APC INFORMATION AND CHANGES

Our Academic Policy Committee meeting for the month of October will be on the 19th to accommodate some scheduling difficulties. From then on, starting in November, the meetings will be on the 2nd Monday of each month, 4:30-6pm in room 103 at Big Fireweed. All of our meetings are open to the public and we encourage you to participate in the governing of your child's school. We do have a parent rep seat open and if more than one person is interested, we will have a vote

during the parent teacher conferences. Please call Janet at 235-9728 if you are interested.

Student-Led Parent Teacher Conferences

There is no school on October 29th and 30th (and remember that Wednesday, October 28th is an early release day) and instead we will have Student Led Parent teacher conferences. Some teachers will do a few conferences on Wednesday afternoon as well, after their collaboration time. Call Janet to set up your conference times. 235-9728

NITTY GRITTY INFORMATION

- **NEEDED:** A potato baker for our Wed., Oct. 14 'Cycle Celebration'. Take the spuds the evening of the 13th and bring them 'hot and ready to eat at noon on the 14th. Please email or call us to let us know if you can help. Thanks!

HEARTY THANK YOUS

- Thanks to Katie for helping the Cheetah Cubs field trip and the yummy apple goodies.
- Kara Clemens for helping teach circle dances during our theme group time.

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Weds Oct. 7 th	School pictures starting at 9:15am
Weds. Oct. 7 th	Salmon Egg Take - Anchor River - 12:30-2:30
Weds Oct. 14 th	Harvest Potluck and Cycles Celebration 12:30-2:15
October 15 th	Great Alaska Earthquake Shakedown: 10:15 am
October 28 th	Early Release Day - release time is 1:30. Busses will run as normal, just 90 minutes earlier.
Oct. 29 th -30 th	Student-Led Parent/Teacher Conferences- NO SCHOOL!

From the District:

Title VII Indian Education meeting

Soldotna, October 2, 2015—The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Title VII Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2015.

The Title VII Advisory Committee is comprised of parents and guardians of Title VII students who have been appointed by school site councils. Interested tribal elders, community members, students and parents are encouraged to participate.

Thursday, October 8, 2015 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Borough Assembly Chambers, Borough Administration Building

144 North Binkley Street, Soldotna, Alaska 99669

The KPBSD Title VII, Indian Education Program, supports Alaska Native-American Indian students for a successful experience throughout their K-12 schooling years. The Title VII Program is designed to assist and support students' academic achievements, social and emotional development, and cultural awareness in the classroom. KPBSD Native students will be supported and enabled to receive an educational foundation, and given the skills to respond successfully with adults, situations, circumstances, activities and opportunities in school and life. Over 114 Alaska Native Tribal affiliations are represented in the nearly 1,200 identified Native students in the KPBSD Title VII Program.

Agenda includes

- Outreach in schools to identify all students who qualify for Title VII services, [online form](#)
- Review of past priorities and outcomes in 2014-2015; Set 2015-2016 priorities
- Project Grad

DISTRICT WIDE BUDGET MEETING: October 15th, Thursday @ 6pm at Homer Middle

School. This meeting will be used to provide an overview of our budgeting process and our current plan for dealing with the fiscal realities we currently face. The purpose of the meeting is to gain feedback on areas of our budget that can be reduced, areas that should be expanded and suggestions for legislators about solutions to our shortfalls. This input will then be presented to the board at the November and December board meetings and work sessions. This meeting is open to the public.

ALL INTERESTED PARENT VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to be volunteering at the school, please take a moment to complete this on line volunteer screening. It's easy! So... take care of it quickly and join us in the classroom!!!

Read this...School District News... Mandatory Volunteer Screening

Anyone interested in being a school volunteer needs to complete an online form and agree to a background check; only criminal activity will be checked. All information will be kept confidential and information can only be accessed by a few members of the Human Resources department. To complete the screening process, visit the District's web page at www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us and click on Employment, then click on

Volunteer, then on Volunteer All Vacancies, and find the location where you wish to volunteer. Click the 'Apply' button that corresponds to that location, then follow the instructions. Please contact the Human Resources department at 907-714-8888 if you have questions.