

K-2 FIREWEED ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

April 4th, 2016



HAPPENINGS

MUD BAY TIDEPooling EXPEDITION ON FRIDAY!

A -5 low tide calls us ocean shore explorers to the water's edge. We are planning an expedition to Mud Bay this Friday morning. **On time arrivals** are important because we have an early bus departure at 8:45 am. We will be back to school before lunchtime. **ALL STUDENTS NEED:** Rain gear, warm coats, hats (I mean it!☺), gloves (waterproof if you have any) AND rubber boots! Come ready for tide pool exploring!! Start scrambling now to make sure your kiddo is well prepared on Friday to be out in the elements.

A TRUE ALASKAN ADVENTURE

Erin McKittrick will be here Tuesday morning to share her great Alaskan adventures with us and her new children's book "My Coyote Nose and Ptarmigan Toes".

IT'S A GO! K-2 Spring Field Trip to Ageya Wilderness Center!

Thursday May 5th to Friday May 6th

We have received enough positive response to move ahead with our plans for a spring field trip with the K-2 kids. We are planning on going to Ageya Wilderness Center up at the top of East Hill Road and Skyline. We will bus up there on Thursday afternoon May 5th for outdoor activities, dinner and a campfire. Children staying overnight will bunk in Ageya's sleeping yurts with adult chaperones. Children not spending the night can be picked up by 7 PM. All are invited to continue our adventure in the morning with breakfast, more outdoor adventures and lunch before heading back to school in the afternoon on Friday, May 6th. More info to follow. Need a few brave souls for the on-site kitchen crew and firewood/kindling providers. If you are interested, please let Kim know.

THEME GROUPS

New theme groups explore the arts, map making and new species discoveries!

Open Enrollment is complete and we do have more space-tell your friends

Homer Youth String Orchestra Spring Concert

We have quite a few students (current and alumni) who will be performing this Sunday, April 10th in the Homer High School Commons. This is HYSOC's BIG event and they will be performing music from Mozart to Star Wars. The concert is free...see you there!

HEARTY THANK YOU'S

- Thank you to Rebecca Clarke, Crisi Mathews, Tori Gutschow, and Gina Pelaia for volunteering to head up our May Day Festival Fundraiser.

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Mon. April 4 th	Fireweed School Board Presentation in Soldotna
Tues. April 5 th	Erin McKittrick New Book Presentation
Tues. April 5 th	Last after school Reading Club 3:15-4 PM
Fri. April 8 th	Tidepooling on Mud Bay -5 low tide!
Mon. April 11 th	APC Meeting @ Big Fireweed at 4:30 PM
May 5 th -6 th	K-2 Spring Trip to Ageya Wilderness Center

Gentle Reminder!

Reminder that a phone call or a bus note goes a long way in eliminating after school confusion regarding end of day plans for kids. Feel free to call Janet or send a note to school with your student outlining end of day plans if there's a change. Thank you!!

ALL INTERESTED PARENT VOLUNTEERS

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.