



K-2 FIREWEED ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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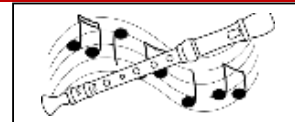
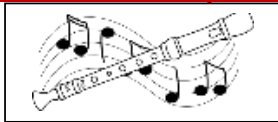
HAPPENINGS



NEW 'KIDS' AT SCHOOL

We received an extra special visit today from Kiki and her three new, baby goats. Entertainment abounded as they leapt, kicked up their 'heels' and frolicked inside a 'structured fence' of students. The highlight of their visit was a feeding from a bottle. The general consensus was that these kids were just the right size for kindergarten. We look forward to seeing them again, bigger and with names, in the future!!

This Friday, January 15th at the Mariner Theater!



- Rehearsal: 5:30 Friday January 15th
- Concert: 7:00 Friday January 15th

This Friday Fireweed Students will be given the opportunity to participate in the Kenai Peninsula Orchestra's Link-Up Performance at the Mariner Theatre at the High School. Students in K-2nd have spent weeks preparing and will be playing recorder, singing and dancing this Friday night. It is the responsibility of families to get students to the rehearsal before the performance on time. It is a free performance. Please come!

Students can go directly to the Theater where Kim, Jon, Mo and Kiki will meet them for directions. There is no particular dress code, but please come clean and groomed (no hats).

*** There will be a small break after the rehearsal, if you'd like to meet up with your K-2 student and provide them with a healthy snack before the 7:00 performance.

STRUCTURES! OUR NEW THEME...

Our next theme groups start this week!! Human structural wonders, natural wonders and landforms, animal structures, the strongest shape, patterns in art, math and science... all coming to a school near YOU! **ALSO...If you have anything wonderful to share with students about any aspect of structures, please let us know! We would love to have you share 'what you know' with our students.**



THE SEA TURTLES OF TROCONES

On Monday, we were doubly lucky to have Kiki share with us her experiences in Trocones, Mexico, and the Leatherback Sea Turtle. We learned about the Sea Turtle Release Program's efforts to rescue eggs before predation, hatch them in protected enclosures, and then release them to the sea. The photos and video were amazing and inspiring!

HANDYPERSON HELP NEEDED

We have a door stop purchased that needs to be installed in the little yurt. This should be a quick job for a person with a screw gun. Just let us know if you have the time and we will provide the materials and direction.

STUDENT-LED PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

There will be no school on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 4-5, instead we will hold the student-led parent teacher conferences. Please call Janet at 235-9728 to schedule your conference.

HEARTY THANK YOUS

- Thanks for being great supporters and ambassadors for Fireweed Academy!
- Thank you to Tammy Vollom-Matturro for helping us to practice and prepare for Link-Up this Friday.
- And to Kiki for opening our eyes to the worlds of baby goats and Leatherback Sea Turtles.
- Thank you to Mark Tanski for handyman help in Kim's room this past week.

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Friday Jan 15	Link Up Orchestra at the Mariner Theater at 7 PM
Monday Jan 18 th	MLK Day - No School
Friday Jan 22 nd	"Think Like a Fish" Discovery Lab w/KBRR
Wednesday, Feb. 3	Early Release
Th/Fri, Feb. 4-5	Student-Led Conferences-no school: Call Janet to schedule at 235-9728

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.