



3rd-6th Fireweed Academy Newsletter

November 9th, 2015

2nd Quarter Theme: Habitats

We have some exciting things coming up in our habitat theme. We have a variety of guest speakers coming and have hopes of going on a few more field trips before the quarter ends. Be on the lookout for more information and updates.

Whale Watching Field Trip

Our whale watching expedition was a great success! We were fortunate enough to go out with Rainbow Tours with Ginger as our guide. We saw at least 7 whales. It was a great trip. The students, teachers, and chaperones were yelling and cheering watching this wonderful phenomenon on our Kechemak Bay.



Afterschool Offering ROBOTICS

Stephanie will be offering a Robotics Opportunity afterschool for this next quarter. The specific project is the First Lego League Challenge. It is open to the 4th - 6th grade students. We provide the Lego Robotic Kit for attempting the challenge. The cost is \$30 per student for 6 weeks. There will be a limit to the number of participants. Please contact Stephanie if your child is interested. We decided to go with Wednesday's from 3:15 - 4:30. We will start this week.

Friendly Friday Taco Lunch






The taco fundraiser was a huge success. Little Fireweed came over to enjoy the wonderful, 5th and 6th home cooked meal and participate in a Friendly Friday. We shared some habitat songs, 5th and 6th grade led science activities, and tribal council. Overall, the students, parents, grandparents, and staff had a wonderful time and enjoyed the community building.

Guest Speaker:

Food, Water, Shelter, Space...Habitat's a groovy place!

The habitat in which we live provides an abundance of food, one of the basic needs of all living things. Lori Jenkins will be joining us on Friday to share her knowledge of the wild edible plants in our area.

ORANGES in DECEMBER Hey how is the fundraising going? Remember that packets are due back to me no later than November 16th in the morning. Need a new packet? Give me a call! 235-9728

We will be holding our Fresh fruit Fundraiser: **oranges**  and **pomegranates** 
and **Clementines**  (Sorry, no Asian Pears this time). delivery will be sometime during the 2nd week of December. Time to start thinking about Holiday Fruit Baskets! -Janet



A photo of Fireweed students Elias Allen, Spencer Co, Iida-Becerrill, included in a feature Story on Mind A'Mazes at the KPBSD website. <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/communications.aspx?id=34801>

| Upcoming Dates | |
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| Nov 13 | Lori Jenkins guest speaker-local habitats-food sources |
| Nov 20 | Matt Steffy-Guest Speaker-Invasive species |
| Nov 24 | Swimming |
| Nov 25 th | Early Release |
| Nov 26-27 | No School (Thanksgiving) |