

K-2 FIREWEED NEWSLETTER

August 24, 2015

HAPPENINGS

Our theme this quarter is **CYCLES**... come join us. Share ideas. What kind of fun projects can we drum up together?



THANKS FOR THE FUN AND FOOD!!



Our Karen Hornaday Park picnic was a success!! The weather cooperated, the food was great and the company was exceptional! Thank you for making this a great event!

FIRST DAY PACKETS

1st day packets went home last week. If you haven't seen one yet, please come see us. Finish it up as soon as you can and then return them to your child's homeroom and we'll take it from there!

WYNN NATURE CENTER AND CYCLES...THIS FRIDAY!!



On Friday we head up the hill to Wynn Nature Center to explore nature cycles. The bus will leave at 12:30 and return us to school in time for dismissal.

***** Please return all permission slips by THURSDAY *****

PARENT VOLUNTEERS AND THE CLASSROOM AIDE SCHEDULE

We welcome parents in the classroom! There is a classroom aide schedule posted in the hallway by the water fountain. We are looking for regular classroom aides on all days. Thanks!

HELP US WELCOME NANCY TO LITTLE FIREWEED!

Welcome to Nancy Shrag. Nancy comes to us from Kenai with her husband Mark, her American Bulldog named Kaboy, and chickens!! She retired from the Alaska Dept. of Public Health where she was a public health nurse aid, AND she is grandma to one of our Little Fireweed students. She will be with us from 12:15 to 3pm each day. Please join us in welcoming her!!

CALLING ALL CARPENTERS!!

We are looking for a handyperson to construct a lean-to structure attached to our existing shed that will house our snowblower and weed whacker. If you have the time, creativity and skill to give to us, materials will be provided. Please let us know if you can be 'our hero'!!

NITTY GRITTY INFORMATION

OUR DAILY SCHEDULE!!!

Reminder... School begins at 8:25 AM and ends at 3 PM. Thanks in advance for timely pick-ups in the afternoon!

THE GATE and THE PLATFORM

The rule is "Side by Side" or "Hand in Hand" when you drop off and pick up your

child from school. There are too many cars coming and going for children to be running to greet you in the parking lot or to be running ahead of you to the car. Please be diligent about this!!! Your child must be "side by side" or "hand in hand" when walking to or from the gate or from the platform at the side door. Thanks... we will sleep better at night if every family does this well!!

DAILY MORNING SNACK

We want to remind you to send a healthy morning snack with your child, even if they are having hot lunch! This mid-morning refueling time is important for school success. It can be packed in with your child's lunch, but it is nice for them to know ahead that "this is snack" and "this is lunch" so they don't eat all their main part of lunch at snack time.

BREAKFAST/HOT LUNCH PROGRAM

We have a breakfast/hot lunch program here at the school. If you would like your child to have hot lunch, they will sign up first thing in the morning! Hot lunch is \$.40 if you qualify for reduced or \$2.85 full price. Milk is also available for purchase. In regard to breakfast... If your student is on the free/Reduced program, there is no fee for breakfast, otherwise the cost is \$1.75. The 'Student Programs' application is what you fill out to see if you are qualified for free/reduced meals-it is in your first day packet.

HEARTY THANK YOUS

- Thank you Soooo much to everyone for the delicious potluck fare that everyone provided for our Hornaday picnic! You gotta love choices!!
- Thanks to Paula and Jon Kulhanek for providing salmon fillets for our Friday get-together, to the Big Fireweeders that seasoned it so well, to Kiki for cooking it to perfection, and to all who helped to serve!

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Fri August 28 th	Wynn Nature Center "Cycles" Field Trip 12:30-2:45
Mon Sept 7 th	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day Holiday
Thurs. Sept 10 th	Anchor Point Field Trip @ Halibut Campground
Weds. Sept 16 th	Early Release Day School Pick up is at 1:30/Buses Run 1 ½ hours early too!

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.