

K-2 FIREWEED NEWSLETTER

March 2nd 2015

HAPPENINGS

SWIM WEEK IS HERE!

Our first day in the pool was wet and wonderful! Comfort levels are building and skills are developing! Remember to bring suits, towels, goggles and extra snacks each day this week! The swim group times are as follows:

- Group 1 swims from 1-1:45 (Leave school around 12:40 and return around 2:10)
- Group 2 swims from 1:45-2:30 (Leave school around 1:25 and return by 2:55)

** We're also asking for parent volunteers that are willing to monitor the locker room and possibly get into the pool with the students. We will be going Monday through Thursday, as Friday is an In-service Day and NO SCHOOL! Take the plunge and join us!

INVENTION CONVENTION FIELD TRIP TO BIG FIREWEED

On Wednesday we will be travelling across town to view the amazing inventions of the Fireweed 3-6 students at their Invention convention. We will be leaving school at 9:15 and will return at 10:45. You are welcome to join us at Big Fireweed to tour the exhibits!!

EDDIE WOOD ROCKED THE YURT WITH MUSIC



We had a wonderful week with Eddie Wood helping us to become percussionists!! He shared his instrument family with us, told us entertaining and engaging stories, and helped us find the beat! Thank you for joining us for highlights of the week,

and thank you to Eddie for sharing his beautiful instrumental family and talent with us!!

NO SCHOOL FRIDAY - STAFF IN-SERVICE

There will be no school for students on Friday. Teachers will be attending ALICE training at the high school. ALICE is an acronym for: Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter and Evacuate, and is required training in the event of an intruder on school grounds.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

We are done with Open enrollment. However, I am still missing a few forms for students who I suspect are indeed coming back to our school. If you have completed a form, please call me at 235-9728. That said, we are not full in every grade so please continue to let our friends and neighbors know that we have space for the FY16 school year. Thanks-Janet

<h2><u>NITTY GRITTY INFORMATION</u></h2>

CALLING ALL SCHOOL BOOKS!!

Please... before spring break please look around your couch, under the beds, in your cars, EVERYWHERE! for our school books. We'd like to get the school books back in for inventory over the break. Thank you for taking some time to do a big family search for all these books! We really appreciate it!

FUNDRAISER FOR FWA 6TH GRADE FIELDTRIP

Current Fundraisers: The 6th graders are selling raffle tickets that have two terrific prizes! One is Dinner for 2 at the Homestead Restaurant, www.homesteadrestaurant.net (\$150 Value and donated by Rick and Sharlene Cline) and the other is a Halibut Charter for 1 from Ofishial Charters, www.ofishial.com (\$260 value and donated by Austin Ceccarelli's parents).

Each ticket is \$5 or 5 tickets for \$20. The drawing will be held Friday April 17 at noon in Big Fireweed's Room 102 (Kris Owens room) during our Soup Lunch Fundraiser (our last fundraiser). Winners need not be present to win. The 6th graders have tickets for sale and I have some in my office as well- Janet

RECYLING BEFORE BREAK!!!

** Is there someone who can please take in the recycling before the break? Please see Deb if you can help with this project!

HEARTY THANK YOU S

- Thank you to Eddie Wood for a wonderful music residency.
- Hearty thank you to Bunnell Street Arts Center with support from Alaska State Council on the Arts, the Rasmuson Foundation, our very own KPBSD district, Jazzline and Alaska USA for making our AIS residency possible!
- To Bridget and the staff of Kate Kuhns Aquatic Center for providing a great swim experience for us!! And to all the pool helping parents, swimmers and locker room folks alike,,, we couldn't do it without you!
- A huge THANKS to Oma Ruth for lending a much needed hand in Miss Deb's room. She was hoppin'!

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Mar. 2 nd -5 th	Swim Week at the Homer High Pool
March 4 th	The Invention Convention at Big Fireweed 9:30-10:30
Fri. March 6 th	Teacher In-Service/ No School!
March 6 th - 15 th	Spring Break- No School!
March 16 th	1 st day back after Spring Break
March 18 th	APC meeting at Big Fireweed- All Invited!

FROM THE DISTRICT

And even MORE From The District:

The KPBSD Board of Education seeks public input into its process to select a superintendent of schools. The school board invites input from everyone interested in schools, including parents, students, KPBSD staff, site councils, PTAs, volunteers, business and community organizations that partner with schools, community groups, and the public. The school board has sole responsibility for the selection of candidates, final interviews, and selection of the superintendent, but would like to consider the views and interests of the public to help guide those decisions. Visit the district's website, www.kpbsd.org, and follow the link on the homepage to rank attributes of importance in the next superintendent, submit general comments, and for more information about further opportunities for input as the process progresses.

[Superintendent of Schools Search](http://www.kpbsd.org) webpage with survey link:
<http://bit.ly/2015SuperintendentSearch>

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, and then follow the instructions. Please contact the Human Resources department at 907-714-8888 if you have questions.