

K-2 FIREWEED NEWSLETTER

March 31st, 2014

HAPPENINGS

THEME GROUPS...

Our first week of theme groups went very well. In Jon's theme group, kids spent time creating pop-up Postcards and travel planning passports to a destination of interest to each child. In Ms. Deb's group kids bit into the learning about the structure of a tooth and conducted experiments about the effects of acids, sugars and other substances on the tooth's enamel. Finally, they began making 'skull-racas' for the instrumental part of our upcoming play "Bones". Kim's theme group is exploring the journey a river takes from its headwaters to the mouth where it empties into the sea. Kids are also "adopting" a world river to study and learn about... landmarks, features, crops, etc and creating maps of the journey down these rivers.

GARDEN NEWS! It's time! Come join us!

- Yeeha! Inch by inch, row, by row...we are going to start making our garden grow!. This week during our lunch recess on T,W,Th (12:45-1:30) Alison Gaylord will be helping kids make soil blocks for our garden seeds. We may also start digging up and preparing our beds.
- Need a bit of start up help/see Kim if you can help out!
 1. Someone who can take a bit of time this week to set up the rolling garden rack in the yurt. May need simple tools. Check w/Kim
 2. A errand runner Tuesday morning... TOMORROW... to go to Ground Control to pick up some soil supplies.
 3. Some folks to assist Alison Gaylord in making soil blocks during our lunch recess from 12:45-1:30 on T,W,Th Though she LOVES gardening, we need to train up some new folks so we can eventually let her go! It's really fun!

NITTY GRITTY INFORMATION

Open Enrollment News

Open enrollment is done but we still have space for more students so let your friends and neighbors know....it's not too late. Have them call Janet at 235-9728

On the lookout for....

- Paper towel or toilet paper containers for our upcoming gadget skeleton projects...also to be used as scenery for our play.

HEARTY THANK YOU'S

- Kammi , Heather, Hannah & Joey thanks for your pop-in service
- Cheryl, you did a great fill-in for Kiki
- Lunch Launchers...Patty, David, Jo, Kara & Weatherly...you are awesome!
- Dance Doers...Kara and Margie, our students look forward to having you each week and we certainly appreciate you!

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Weds. April 11 th	Halo Bay Bear Presentation with Simrya Taback at Big Fireweed, 1:10-2:30
Weds. April 16 th	Early Release Day: School Out at 1:30 PM
Fri. April 18 th	No School Day/ It'll be a <i>Good Friday!</i>
May 16th - 11AM-2PM	End of Year Celebration/2 nd Grade Play/Promotion/Potluck

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.