

K-2 FIREWEED ACADEMY NEWSLETTER
April 15th, 2013

HAPPENINGS

THEME GROUPS

Our final set of theme groups begins this week. In Kim's group our Fireweed Community Garden is about to get under way. Clean up, soil prep, planning and planting starts will begin soon. In Deb's group kids will be finishing their garden art and exploring what all living things need to survive. In Jon's group kids will be completing their pop-up habitats for their animal of study and then creating an informational fold-out that shares information about the animal, why they should be protected, what the threat are to their animal, and how humans can guard, preserve and protect them.

JUBILEE ART SHOW

Yet another venue for our student's art appeared. Works from our young Fireweed artists can be seen at the Pratt museum in the Contemporary Art Gallery. The Festival of Young Artists will run April 5th through May 12th. Be sure to stop in and take a look!

APC NEWS

There will be a Special Session of the APC this Wednesday, April 17th beginning at 4:30 PM at Little Fireweed to complete unfinished business from the last meeting.

JULIA COOK

On March 26th, author Julia Cook came to both Fireweed campuses and read books to the kids as part of her nation-wide tour. She is a well-known author and counselor/teacher whose books focus on the things kids experience in their day-to-day lives and teaches them to become life-long problem-solvers. Many of the kids seemed to really enjoy her books and she has tons of them. You can check her out at <http://www.juliacookonline.com/> "In order to teach children you must enter their view of the world."- Julia Cook

LITTLE FIREWEED LITERARY FAIRE - THURSDAY 3:00-4:00 - In the Yurt!!

Please join us after right school this Thursday, April 18, from 3:00 - 4:00 for a Family Literacy Faire. Faire will be held in our Yurt! Here's a quick run-down of the literacy events you and your child can do together during our Faire.

- Book-Making (make a family story or write about anything!)
- Literacy Games (some of the fun word games we play at school)
- Book-reading Corner (read a book to your parents, or to your kids!)
- Book Swap (take a book, leave a book!)
- Create your own take-home Bookmark (Craft to do with your kids)

Share healthy refreshments with your family; fresh fruit, juice, crackers, and more!

Please contact Betsy if you have any questions! See you there!!

NITTY GRITTY INFORMATION

No School This Friday April 19th!

Here is a list of a few things that we are in immediate need of:

- **MASKING TAPE, PLEASE**
- Glue Sticks
- Clorox (or similar) wipes
- Heavier, clear plastic bottles - $\frac{1}{2}$ or 1 liter size
- 4' Heavy dowels/broom handles that would work for supporting garden scarecrows (superheroes)

We are also looking for a mini trampoline to use in the yurt. If you have a mini trampoline or spooner board that we could use for the rest of this school year, contact Amanda at 235-9728 or amiller2@kpbsd.k12.ak.us. Thank you 😊

HEARTY THANK YOU

- Thanks to all our May Day Celebration planners!! The list of contributors is growing, and we appreciate each and every one of you!!
- To our dedicated and committed APC!! You do an immensely important job for our school. Thank you for all your collaboration and hard work. We notice and appreciate all your efforts!!

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Weds. April 17 th	Special Session of the APC 4:30 at the K-2
Thurs., Apr. 18 th	Family Literacy Fair - 3:00-4:00 at LFW

Fri., Apr. 19th

Mon-Fri, April 22-26

Tues. May 7th

Sat., May 4th

Fri. May 17th

Mon. May 20th

Tues. May 21st

Weds. May 22nd

No School - Vacation Day

Artist in the Schools w/Jimmy Riordan

Moving Up Day visit for 2nd grade to FW 3-6

May Day Celebration and Fundraiser

Pratt, Picnic and Poetry Day-Do Stay Tuned!!

AP Salmon Release in the Morning ... Info to come

Potluck and Promotion Activities 12-2

***** SAVE THIS DATE!!!**

Time Capsule and Play Day at Kiki's