

K-2 FIREWEED NEWSLETTER

April 21st, 2014

HAPPENINGS

New Theme Groups Starting This Week

Our final set of journey theme groups for this year begins tomorrow.

* In Jon's group kids will be creating vision boards as they chart their own personal life journeys (magazines are needed for this).

* Miss Deb's group will be creating gadget skeletons, for the upcoming play, bones. Please bring things that you might use for the ribcage, or femurs, feet, pelvis, etc. I've seen everything from plastic hangers, plastic bottles, cd's, lids, anything that might work in creating a skeleton. I will provide a paper plate for the skull, but the eye sockets and everything else will be up-cycled materials. I could also use some HELP w/ the glue guns on T-TH afternoons.

* Kim's group will explore the concept of Aboriginal Songlines and the personal journeys made to special sites and locations. The kids will revisit their "roots" for their own special and important places in their lives and create a dot painting of the pathways between these special places.

FRIENDLY FRIDAY FIELD TRIP WITH BIG FIREWEED TO THE HOMER FAMILY THEATER FOR DISNEY NATURE MOVIE...BEARS!

We will have an early lunch on Friday, walk to the theater, enjoy the show and bus home. We are collecting \$5 dollars per student for the movie. As always we can help out if needed... just let us know.

Bones!

Costumes for the play are relatively easy, but we do NEED black, preferably long sleeved, T-shirts for all the bone parts. If your child is the pelvis or leg bone, a long-sleeve is not necessary. If they are the radius, ulna, wrist or any part of the arm or hand, they need a long sleeve black shirt. Costumes for the others are simple, just dress them in black that day. We will be making the infamous paper sack muscles and nerve cells. If you have ANY questions, just ask Miss Deb!

2nd Grade Moving-Up Day - Monday, April 28th

Next Monday, the 2nd graders will be traveling to Big Fireweed for a morning with the 2nd/3rd graders. They will "meet" the teachers, reconnect with old friends, and learn the ropes of the Big Fireweed morning schedule. The bus leaves PROMPTLY at 8:45 so please be on time (no later than 8:30 please). We are looking forward to this!!

FROM THE APC...

At a recent APC meeting we were brainstorming on ways to connect with one another for carpooling, child care, etc., and of course, there's an app for that! **Kangado** is a free app for your iPhone or Android that allows you to connect, coordinate, and request assistance in all of the comings and goings related to our little ones. We thought we'd give it a trial run for the rest of the school year and maybe even into the summer. Anyone interested in participating please send an email to Hannah Gustafson at hannahinak@gmail.com or call 907-317-2050.

SAVE THE DATE!!! Friday, May 16th 11ish-2ish!

End of the Year Celebration including our new musical, potluck lunch, school awards, 2nd grade promotion ceremony, closing songs and dances! Do stay tuned!

NITTY GRITTY INFORMATION

MAGAZINES NEEDED: We could use lots of magazines for collage pieces. Please send in any you have! We begin cutting tomorrow! All genres accepted!!

SUPPLIES NEED: We certainly need more Clorox wipes and boxes of Kleenex.

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 for more information or to schedule a visit.

Earth Day Celebration at Islands and Ocean on Saturday!!

HEARTY THANK YOU

- Thanks to Sonja for all her great help in the classroom. We missed you!

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Mon-Fri this week!	Silk Painting w/ Kiki for Earth Day Parade
Fri April 25 th	Field Trip to Homer Family Theater for the DisneyNature Movie, BEARS . \$ 5 dollars to your child's homeroom teacher if ya' can.
Sat April 26 th	Earth Day Parade at Islands and Ocean. Fireweed will be parading our earth banners if you would like to join in! Check local newspaper for times!
Mon., April 28 th	Moving Up Day Morning - 2 nd Graders Visit Big Fireweed
Fri. May 16 th	<u>End of Year Celebration:</u> 11ish-2ish *"Rattle Your Bones" Musical * Potluck * School Awards and 2 nd Grade Promotion * Closing Circle- Songs and Dances
Tuesday, May 20 th	All school trip to Kiki's
Wednesday, May 21 st	Time Capsule and Last Day of School