

K-2 FIREWEED NEWSLETTER

October 28th, 2013

HAPPENINGS

OUR NEW THEME IS...COMMUNICATION!!

We will be introducing our new theme "Communications" this week. We are always on the look-out for ideas related to our themes. You may think of an interesting area to explore, an idea for a field trip, or a guest that connects to our theme. Let us know!

ELLIS ISLAND!

Thanks to all who made the Ellis Island Celebration a huge learning endeavor and success! To the immigrants, the processors, and the singers ... you were fabulous! To the potluck cooks... there was delicious abundance in the new land. To all who joined us in the Great Hall and America, thanks for celebrating with us! We noticed many cameras flashing. If you have a great photo that we could send to the paper or to central office for the website please pass it our way. What a wonderful journey to the new land!

EARLY RELEASE DAY

Remember that this Wednesday is an early release day for KPBSD schools. Here at Little Fireweed, school dismisses at 1:30 and buses run 1-1/2 hours earlier than typical.

ARTIST IN THE SCHOOLS: JACK DALTON AND STORYTELLING

Native storyteller Jack Dalton will join us every day next week as our 'artist in the school'. Jack will impart his skills as a traditional storyteller and help our students to explore this dynamic and creative form of art and communication. We will be sharing our experiences with you on Friday, Nov. 8th. The time will be determined soon.

Quilt raffle: We are getting down to the last few weeks-if you have not bought your quilt raffle tickets yes, now is the time. Fireweed parent Jo Dempsey will be

at Safeway selling tickets on November 5th and 12th from about 9:30 til 2:30. If you would like to help out, call her at 235-4759. She has the quilt and the tickets and is ready to sell you some or give you some to sell!

NITTY GRITTY INFORMATION

WE NEED A BIG BOX!!

To create a kid KBBI station... If you have one, please bring it in!!
Thanks!

FALL IS HERE... WITH WIND AND COLD!

It is cold and blustery on the playground these days and we are out in it every day. Send your child prepared with a warm coat **AND** hats and mittens. Yes folks... it's time!

INSIDE SHOES ARE A MUST

During recent earthquake and fire drills some kiddos have found themselves outside without shoes. While many chose not to wear them in the classroom (we've chatted about that...) several do not have them at school. Please check to make certain your child has inside shoes at school and sends some in if they are missing. If you need assistance in providing a pair, please talk to your child's teacher.
Thanks!

FROM THE DISTRICT

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District is requesting applications from interested persons to serve on the Budget Development Committee to review development of the FY 2015 budget. Anyone interested in applying should visit the School District website at www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us, Community Interest, for an application and further instructions, or contact Lassie Nelson at 714-8838 if there are questions. All applications must be received no later than 4:00 p.m., November 8, 2013.

WHERE DID ALL YOUR KIDS SOCKS GO!?!

Please take a moment to clean our your child's boot room space... wet socks, old lunches, "science" experiments, extra clothes. Thanks!

HEARTY THANK YOUS

- **Ellis Island Kudos** to everyone that helped to set up, provided food and reinforced your child's experience in this event through family research, costume creation and packing that single bag for the trip...it was a success because of your support and help!

Upcoming K-2 Dates: Mark your calendars!

Weds, Oct 30 th	Early Release Day	School out at 1:30
M-F Nov 4 th -8 th	Artist in the Schools	All Day
Friday, Nov 8 th	Storytelling with Jack and the Kids	Time TBA
Weds, Nov. 20 th	Early Release Day	School out at 1:30
Th/F. Nov. 28 & 29	No School -Thanksgiving	
Dec. 20 th -Jan. 3 rd	No School - In-service Day & Holiday Break	

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

