



Chugiak Chatter

2017-2018
Edition #10

Strong Learning Muscles!



Our students are growing their learning muscles!

We have lots going on: the Spelling Bee, parent/teacher conferences, field trips, sledding, drumming, readers theater, Battle of the Books in English and Spanish, math derby, and more!! We love having all of your support and collaboration!!



UPCOMING EVENTS!!

- ★ Friday, February 16th: POPCORN FRIDAY!
- ★ Friday, February 16th: Spelling Bee, Grades 3-5 @ 1:45pm
- ★ Monday, February 19th: Presidents' Day - No School
- ★ Wednesday & Thursday, February 21st & 22nd: 1/2 day parent/teacher conferences
- ★ Friday, March 9th: In-Service - No School
- ★ Monday, March 12th - Friday, March 16th: Spring Break!

THANK YOU, PTO!!

Our fabulous PTO put on the most amazing Staff Appreciation Week. They turned our lounge into a luxurious garden. We are so appreciative of our royal treatment. From tacos, potatoes, soups and sandwiches, breakfast, and general good cheer, we are absolutely refreshed and rejuvenated.

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Teachers plant the
seeds of knowledge
that will
grow
forever



2018 Family Engagement Survey

The survey is open February 12 - March 9

Parents/guardians of ASD students are encouraged to take this survey to share their feelings and experiences about their child's school. The results of this survey help us gauge how we're doing as a school and as a district. Results also help measure progress toward our Destination 2020 parent satisfaction and student safety goals. Our goals and areas of focus are based on your responses, so it's important to us that you complete this survey.

<https://www.asdk12.org/Page/8010>

The
INFLUENCE
of a good

TEACHER

can
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be
ERASED



LOST AND FOUND



Our Lost and Found is OVERFLOWING

Do you have five or six gloves that are missing their match? Missing a boot, hat, or even a coat?

I am certain you can find them in the lost and found.

COME LOOK!!!

Usborne Books & More \$5 Book Fair Feb 20-22!!!

\$5

Students will choose from a wide variety of quality books
NO books over \$5.00!

BOOK

DAY



Come to the book fair to enter your Teacher to win \$50 in Usborne books!

USBORNE BOOKS & MORE

2018-2019 kindergarten spanish immersion lottery

If you have an incoming kindergartener and you are interested in enrolling him/her in Spanish Immersion, you **MUST** enter the online lottery, regardless of whether he/she has older siblings enrolled in the program.



Family Dance

We had a BLAST at the Family Dance! Friends, Family, and Fun!

CONFERENCES

The upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences will be held the week of February 20th.

Conferences are highly valuable and a great time for collaboration. They offer parents the opportunity to find out how their student is growing academically, getting along with classmates, how they're progressing in school, and what can be done at home to build upon strengths and overcome challenges.

Again this year, all elementary school parents will schedule conference times online. Each teacher or teacher team has a schedule particular to them. If your child is in a combination class or if your child's switch class is a different grade level, look under "MIX" instead of the particular grade level.

The Conference Scheduler will open for families on **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5th**. Scheduling early offers you the opportunity to secure conference times that work best for your family, *particularly if you have multiple students at one school*. We have two computers in the office if you need to use them.

*****Tip for families with more than one student:** Open two windows in your browser so that you can look at schedules side-by-side.

We are excited about this upcoming opportunity for teachers and families to connect about progress so far and goals for the rest of the year.



2018 PEAKS State Assessment

The Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools (PEAKS) is Alaska's summative assessment administered to students in Grades 3-9 (English language arts and mathematics) and grades 4, 8 and 10 (science) each spring. The purpose of a large-scale, summative assessment is to provide parents and schools an overall picture of a student's progress in meeting the Alaska standards at his/her grade level. The assessment is taken on the computer and is not timed, but each content area takes approximately 100-180 minutes.

Parents can locate resources for the PEAKS assessment, including directions for PEAKS Practice tests, called Online Tools Training and PEAKS Tutorials (under Frequently Asked Questions), on the ASD website at www.asdk12.org/PEAKS.

Parents can also help by ensuring their children are well rested, eat a nutritious breakfast, and are at school on time for the days of testing. Please avoid scheduling appointments on your child's testing days.

The PEAKS testing window below provides a framework for which weeks are used for testing at each grade level.

2018 State PEAKS Testing Window: **March 26-April 27**

Grades	State of Alaska Designated Testing Weeks
3 and 7	March 26-30
4 and 8	April 2-6
5 and 9	April 9-13
6 and 10	April 16-20

CHUGIAK ELEMENTARY PEAKS WINDOW: Monday, March 26 – Friday, April 6

Please plan for all 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students to be on time every day during this window.

