



DRAGON TALES

Connection is Key to School Success

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In just twelve days we have Parent/Teacher conferences that are an important component of your child's education. Having regular conversations between parents and teachers is really key to making sure that your child is making the kind of educational progress that we all want. These opportunities to talk and check in on the progress that your child has made over the past few months help all of us make sure we are doing the best we can for each of our students.

ence time. This is not something we take for granted but we certainly count on seeing all the parents at these conferences.

In addition to conferences, there are many other opportunities for parent involvement: after school events always can use another parent to help with the variety of tasks that make those successful and fun for children, special events like the Talent Show are great places for parents to be involved, and classroom teachers usually have plenty of tasks for those of you that can come during the day.

McNeil Canyon has a great history of strong parental involvement and support. In fact, over the past 18 years we regularly have had 100% parent participation at confer-

Come and be a part of the McNeil Canyon School community. It's lots of fun and rewarding!!!

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Special points of interest:

- P/T Conferences
- Love of Reading
- Spelling Bee
- Talent Show

Dates to Note:

Site Council Mtg.	6 Feb
Early Release	7 Feb
P/T Conferences	8 & 9
Spelling Bee	16 Feb
Talent Show	23 Feb

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conference notices are being sent home today with the date and time of your child's Parent/Teacher Conference. If you are unable to attend at the scheduled time, please call the school office by Monday, Feb. 5th to reschedule.

Conferences are an important communication tool. We really appreciate your efforts to attend so we can visit about your child's progress in school. There is NO SCHOOL for students on these days. We hope to see you here!



Reading Challenge

February is LOVE of READING month at McNeil Canyon Elementary. This year instead of just celebrating once on Dr. Seuss's birthday, we are going to spend the entire month celebrating reading. Instead of counting minutes, we are going to spend our time sharing, talking and writing about books we enjoy. Each week we will have a school wide activity which will involve cross grade activities centered around our love of reading. Students will also have an opportunity to share what books they are reading by filling out dragon scales that will then hang in the hallway on Lor, our Love Of Reading dragon. Look for a booklet coming home with your child on February 1st with more information. Happy Reading!!

Early Release

There will be an early release day on Wednesday, February 7, 2018. McNeil Students will be released at 1:20 pm and buses will leave at 1:30 pm. Your child will arrive home 1.5 hrs. earlier than usual.




Talent Show Only 4 Weeks Away!

The McNeil Canyon Family Talent Show will be held on Friday, Feb. 23rd at 6:30 pm here at McNeil. Skits, duets, dance numbers, instruments, poems- If you have talent, we want to see it! The more the merrier! Orientation was today for interested parties, but if you missed it, Talent Show permission slips are being sent home today. Try Outs will be in two weeks: Wednesday, February 7th at lunchtime (12:10). If you have a family act in mind and are unable to make the lunchtime tryouts, contact Theresa and let her know what you're planning.

The silent auction, sponsored by Community Council, will include delicious pies and cakes along with other items to bid on. The Community Council has already received a few generous donations to auction off and we are looking for a few more. If you have an item or a service you are willing to donate let Arwen 299-7074, Theresa 399-3525, or Laura know! This is going to be fun!

Room reps will be calling soon, so be thinking of those delicious pies and cakes to make. It's going to be a show to remember!

School Board Recognition Month



February is School Board Recognition Month. Take a moment to let them know we appreciate what they do. A list of all school board members and their contact information can be found on the district website: www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us Click on the "Board" tab on the left.



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Next

Site Council Meeting

06 Feb 18

3:30 p.m.

McNeil Canyon Elementary Library

Agenda:

- Review Discipline Procedure
- McNeil Site News

Band News

1st year and 2nd year bands will be having combined practices on Wednesdays until the Music in the Schools Concert in March.

Spelling Bee

Interested students in 4, 5 & 6 Grade will participate in our annual Spelling Bee on Friday, February 16th at 12:45 pm. Good luck spellers!

Spotlight Students

The following students have been selected as Spotlight Students for the month of February: Teagan Huffman, Xander Roth, Hayden Kovelda, Jace Nordstrom, Alexandria Jones, Laif Rothenberger, Glenn Casey, Ben Engebretsen, Tilea Lockwood, Liam McHenry, Wynne Reed, Cassidy Carroll, Jody Goodrich, and Braedan Pilant. Parents are invited to join their child and the principal for lunch on Thursday, February 22nd at 11:45 am.

Spotlight Student forms are being sent home with these children today. Please return them as soon as possible so they can be placed on our Spotlight Student bulletin board. Thank you!!