



DRAGON TALES

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The newest State Test for education, Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools (PEAKS) is here. This week, beginning on Monday, 26 Mar 18, the State testing began across the state. Our 3rd and 4th grade students got our testing started the following day, Tuesday 27 Mar 18, by taking the Language Arts portion of the test online. All of our 3rd-6th grade students will be participating in the tests that cover Language Arts and Math over the next two weeks and any students who miss tests will be able to make them up over the following three weeks that end 27 Apr 18. This is the second year of this form of testing both in content and form. The

content has been aligned to the new Alaska State Standards and students will be taking the test entirely online. This necessitates them taking the test on a computer or approved device. Students and teachers have been practicing using the new format of testing and those efforts are indicating that students are ready for this new style of testing. You will be receiving your students results in the mail in June of this year. As before, the test results are closely analyzed and it is important that students do their very best on these tests. It is also important your child is fed and well rested over these next two weeks.

Special points of interest:

- Site Council Meeting
- Community Council Meeting
- Jubilee

Dates to Note:

Early Release	04 Apr
Crazy Hair and Hat Day	13 Apr
Kindergarten Registration	19 Apr
Science Fair	25 Apr
Spotlight Lunch	26 Apr

Jubilee News

Jubilee! A Celebration of Children's Art is a delightful way our community honors the arts for children. We will be having an exhibit of students' art here at school starting on April 12th. Meanwhile, the Community's Jubilee Celebration begins with a First Friday exhibit on April 6th from 5-7 p.m. at the Pratt Museum. The exhibit will include art works created by McNeil students alongside that of other students from other area schools.

Early Release

We will have an early release day on Wednesday, April 4th 2018.

Site Council Nominations

Nominations for parent representatives to the McNeil Canyon Site Council are being accepted until April 9th, 2018. There are openings for a one-year term and a two-year term. Elections will be held the evening of our Spring Concert, May 10th. Please contact the office if you have any questions, are interested in serving on the Site Council, or would like to nominate someone.

Community Council Meeting

Community Council will meet on Friday, April 27th at 1 pm. All parents are welcome to attend.

Kindergarten/New Student Registration

It's time to register for the 2018-2019 school year. New kindergartners must be five years old on or before September 1, 2018. **Immunization records and birth certificate are required at registration.** Registration will be held on April 19th from 8:20 am to 2:50 pm. Kindergarten students are invited to visit the classroom from 10:50 – 11:50 am and stay for recess (accompanied by an adult) and lunch from 11:50 am – 12:50 pm. You can either bring your own lunch or purchase a school lunch for \$2.85 (children) and \$4.25 (adults.) It is important for us to know how many Kindergarten and New Students we are going to have next year for staffing purposes. **If you are unable to register your child on the dates indicated, please call the school office and let us know your child plans on attending McNeil Canyon this Fall.**

Science Fair

We will be having a Science Fair on Wednesday, April 25th. There are a lot of science fair project websites to help you with ideas. Here are some:

www.sciencebuddies.org or www.sciencebob.com or <http://school.discoveryeducation.com/sciencefaircentral/> Do some re-

search! Make a Collection! Do a Demonstration! Perform an Experiment! Display boards are available for purchase in the office for \$4.00. If

you have any questions, please contact Brandon Young, byoung@kpbsd.k12.ak.us.

Perfect Attendance For 3rd Quarter

Congratulations to the following students for being here every day during 3rd: Teagan Huffman, Juneau Turkington, ella Rainwater, Shania Jones, Hannah Baum, Breyan Cathey, Nico Erickson, Avery Cathey, Matthew O'Malley, and Denali Schlottman. It's great to have you here!



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Next

Site Council Meeting

24 Apr 18

3:30 p.m.

McNeil Canyon Elementary Library

Agenda:

- Review Pupil Activity Funds
- McNeil Site News
- District Budget Impact

We're on the Web!!
www.mneilcanyon.org

Dates to Remember

April 4	Early Release
April 13	Crazy Hair and Hat Day
April 19	Kindergarten Registration and Open House 10:50am-12:50
April 24	Site Council Meeting 3:30 pm
April 25	Science Fair
April 26	Spotlight Lunch
April 27	Community Council Meeting 1 pm
May 1-5	Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
May 2	Early Release
May 10	Spring Musical 6:30 pm Site Council Elections
May 18	All School Field Trip—Beach Day
May 22	6th Grade Spotlight at 11:45 am 6th Grade Graduation & Step Up Day 12:50 pm
May 23	Last day of school for students—Play Day

Spotlight Students

The following students have been selected as Spotlight Students for the month of April: Alexander Lyon, Soren Sloth, Zada Lockwood, Jillian Schlottman, Alexandra Reutov, Amelia Young, Yuki Bacher, Ruby Guess, Antonina Snegirev, Logan Wichman, Kayla Kalafut, Julian Kuzmin, and Kiprian Reutov.

Parents are invited to join their child and the principal for lunch on Thursday, April 26th 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!!