

McNeil Canyon Elementary

Magpie

February 19, 2016

Volunteer Opportunities

- Help in your child's classroom
- Help with After School Skiing – skiing or making hot chocolate
- Serve hot chocolate during Snow Fiesta, Feb. 26th

Movie Night TONIGHT!

Join the fun and help out our 6th grade class by attending Movie Night tonight at 6:30 pm.

Check your child for head lice by Nurse Sherrie

There have been multiple cases of head lice in our school in various grades. As a parent simply be aware of excessive itching and check your child's head if you suspect a problem. Teach your child not to share hats, combs, or other personal items and discourage head to head contact. If your child is found to have head lice, shampoo with a medicated shampoo and be sure to comb carefully with a fine toothed comb to remove all the nits (eggs). Wash clothing and sheets in hot water. Vacuum furniture and car. Non washable items can be placed in a plastic bag for 2 weeks. Remember anyone can get head lice. Here is a webpage to help

<http://www.headfirstlicelessons.org>

Love of Reading

Our Love of Reading celebration continues throughout the month of February. Keep reading so LOR, our Love Of Reading dragon, can continue to grow scales. LOR is hanging in the main hallway. Check it out if you are in the building.

Next week students and staff will be performing Reader's Theatres on Friday.

District Budget Meeting

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District is holding a Public Budget Meeting on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Homer High School library. Everyone interested is encouraged to attend. If there are questions, please contact Lassie Nelson at 714-8838.

Spotlight Lunch

February Spotlight Students and their parents are invited to join Mr. Swanson for lunch on Thursday, February 25, 2016. Parents can meet their students by the dragon at 11:15 am. We hope to see you here!

If parents plan on eating a hot lunch, please notify the school office ahead of time so our cook can prepare enough food. Also, please come prepared to pay for your hot lunch. (An adult lunch is \$4.25 plus 60 cents for milk.) Our cook is not allowed to take money from a child's account for an adult lunch. Thanks for your help!

Talent Show Next Friday!

Remember the annual McNeil Family Talent Show is coming up on Friday, Feb. 26th. Dress rehearsal will be held on Thursday, right after school. If your child is performing in the Talent Show, please make sure they get a couple more practices in before Thursday. At dress rehearsal on Thursday everyone will need to have all their props and CD's. Performers should arrive at 5:30 pm on Friday, the night of the Talent Show.

Doors will open and the silent auction will begin at 6 pm. We need pies and cakes for the silent auction and baked goods for the bake sale. Someone may be calling you soon. Come enjoy this great show!

Snow Fiesta

Snow Fiesta will be held on Friday, Feb. 26th in the afternoon. Parents are welcome to join us for these fun outdoor activities. We will need hot chocolate servers. Come join the fun!

Parent Volunteers needed for swimming! by Amy Stonorov

Swimming for Kg through 3rd grade is coming up after spring break. From March 21st until March 31st. We need parents that can commit to being in the pool with the kids for an hour every day for a week. Volunteers will **not** be responsible for coaching but will be used as an extra pair of eyes to make sure the kids are safe and following pool rules. This is a very important aspect in creating a positive experience for everyone. We know it can be difficult to commit to 5 consecutive days so we are sweetening the pot by offering these pool volunteers a swim pass valued at \$80 or one session of summer swimming lessons. You not only get to spend extra time with your child, your status as an extra cool parent will improve, you're helping out your McNeil Canyon community and you get free stuff. If you are able to help contact Laura and she will sign you up. Many thanks from your Community Council.