Ms. Abraham's, Ms. Cooksey's, Mrs. Darch's and Mrs. Stroh's Class Newsletter — September 22, 2017

Discovery is to obtain knowledge through study and research.

This week we…

- Gathered data at Shqui Tsatnu Creek and the Beach with Mrs. Harper in Science
- Worked on creating body percussion patterns and transferring those patterns to unpitched percussion instruments with Mrs. Cady in Music
- Reviewed triple digit subtraction, estimation and Base 10 blocks in 4th grade math
- Learned about creating bar graphs and different multiplication strategies in 3rd grade math
- Wrote a reflection about our Exit Glacier Study Trip experience

Parent Communication

We think parent-communication is extremely important! If you feel the need to speak with any one of us, always feel free to email us: jdarch@kpbsd.k12.ak.us , scooksey@kpbsd.k12.ak.us, kabraham@kpbsd.k12.ak.us or kstroh@kpbsd.k12.ak.us or call at the school (907) 283-0804 and we can set up a conference.

Important Dates

September 27 — PTA Meeting - 8:35 am
October 5 — Egg Take Study Trip, Anchor River 10 am - 3 pm
October 12 — Picture Retakes
October 18 — Celebration of Learning 3-3:40 pm
October 20 — No School - InService Day
October 23 — APC Meeting 4:15 pm
October 25 — Early Release 2:10 pm
October 25-27 — Parent Teacher Conferences

Reminders…

- As the weather is getting colder, please have your child be prepared to go outside with boots and warm coats. We do go outside even in light rain.
- Please turn in your child's $20.00 class project fee if you haven't done so.

Thanks so much!

Save the Date!

Our Quarter 1 **Celebration of Learning** will be October 18th from 3-3:40 pm in each classroom.

If you are interested in volunteering in the classroom or on any study trips this year, you will need to complete the parent volunteer training on the KSAS website. There are two parts: complete the background check which is part of the volunteer application for KPBSD and the KSAS specific training related to our school. If you would like to work in the classroom, please contact your child's teacher. Volunteers are always valued!

Lifelong Guideline for Next Week: **"Personal Best"**
To do one's best given the circumstances and available resources.

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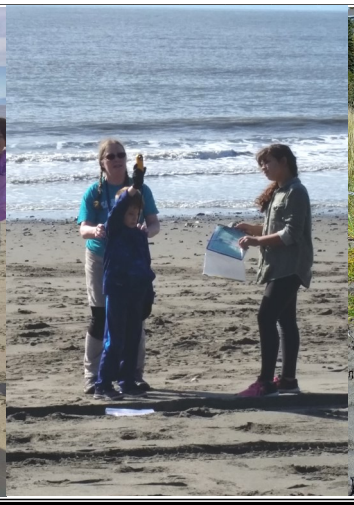


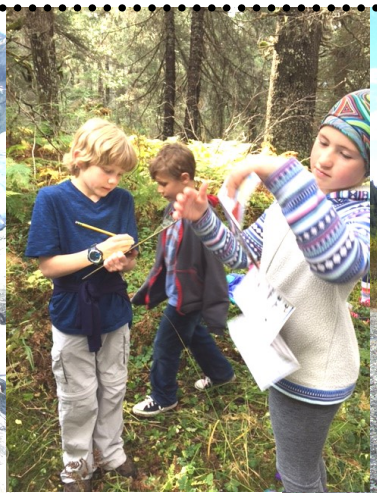
Walking Study Trip to Shqui Tsatnu Creek and The Beach

It was a gorgeous day to walk to Shqui Tsatnu Creek and the beach at the end of Forest Drive on Tuesday! Students gathered data about the air, soil, wind, landforms, plants and animals of each location. They will use this data from the different locations to compare the ecosystems. Not only were the students hard-working scientists, but they even had a little time to enjoy the sun at the beach.

Upcoming Study Trip

- ***October 5th — Egg Take Study Trip to Anchor River***

We will be traveling to Anchor Point to gather our salmon eggs for our Salmon Incubation Project with the help of the Department of Fish and Game. All four classes will leave at 10:00 AM and return before the bell around 3:00 PM. If you would like to join us, please contact your child's teacher for a volunteer form. Please make sure your child has a lunch, snacks, and a water bottle. They will also need warm clothes with layers, hat, gloves, rain gear and waterproof footwear. Rain, snow or sun . . . We will return with eggs for our tank!



Exit Glacier Study Trip

We had nice weather for our bus trip to Seward on Wednesday. Students hiked a short distance up the Resurrection River Trail where they gathered similar data (middle picture) as they did on their Walking Study Trip the day before. They were also led by 3 park rangers up to view Exit Glacier (left) while learning about the ecology of the area along the way. A fun culminating activity was a food chain game the rangers shared with the students to play on the Outwash Plain of the glacier (right).