



# Cub Companion

## Message from the Principal

Greetings Kaleidoscope Families!

This marks our fourth week of this third quarter already. We are all looking forward to sharing your child's progress with you during conferences this coming week. During conferences, you are encouraged to participate in surveys to reflect how we can continuously improve KSAS. In particular, we are currently in process of updating our school's strategic plan for school years 2018-2023. This is a once in a 5-year opportunity for you to share with us your thoughts and provide input on how we can continue to make Kaleidoscope a school of excellence. Please take 5 for our school's next 5!

Your participation, awareness and continued involvement in your child's

education is paramount at this time. Currently, our state is faced with a very challenging state budget. District wide information can best be obtained from the district webpage. You have an open invitation to attend our school's APC meetings, committee meetings and special meetings to keep yourself well-informed. Childcare is provided during the general APC meetings and noted in our weekly update. During APC meetings, I report to our school's board regarding our daily work that embraces our school's mission, vision and values. I also report regarding our enrollment and current budget status. The minutes from our meetings are posted on our website for easy review and access.

Our school relies on the continued support and leadership from our APC. If

you are interested in serving our school as a board member, please come join as our APC meets regularly. Also, just a reminder, we are currently accepting lottery applications for the 2018-19 school year. I am providing school tours for interested new and/or returning families every Tuesday in February at 9:30 a.m.

Please be certain you have returned your child's reenrollment form so your child has continued enrollment at Kaleidoscope this coming school year. This form is due by February 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

Looking forward to seeing you at conferences!

*Robin Dahlman*  
Principal



## Office Notes

Please read the important message on back regarding reenrollment forms!

Applications for the lottery are due by 4:00 p.m. on March 2, including sibling applications for any child that is a sibling of a current student, but not yet attending Kaleidoscope. This is a firm deadline.

School tours are every Tuesday in February at 9:30 a.m. for all families interested in Kaleidoscope. Please help spread the word.

Parent information meeting is February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. This is for new parents, as well as, those who have not yet attended one.

Volunteering for upcoming study trips requires you to have an approved background check, as well as, completing the volunteer training. These steps have to be completed 48 hours prior to a trip along with the chaperone/volunteer indemnification statement being completed for each trip.

## Early Release Day!

Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

School is dismissed at 2:10

### Special points of interest:

- Book Fair Feb. 5-9
- Parent / Teacher conferences Feb. 8-9
- Parent Information meeting Feb. 26
- Re-enrollment forms due Feb. 16



Monday, Feb. 5	8:30-9:00 3:30-4:30 5:30-7:30
Tuesday, Feb. 6	8:30-9:00 3:30-4:30
Wednesday, Feb. 7	8:30-9:00 2:00-8:00
Thursday, Feb. 8	8:00-4:00
Friday, Feb. 9	8:00-10:00

## PTA

Please join us for our next PTA Meeting on Wednesday, February 14 at 9:15 a.m.

Yearbooks can be ordered now for \$16! Watch for flyers with more information.

We are looking for help to provide food for staff during P/T conferences on February 7 and 8. You can sign-up on the PTA bulletin board.

There are a few things we can help with for the Book Fair. If you'd like to help, please email the PTA at [ksaspta@gmail.com](mailto:ksaspta@gmail.com)

Bingo for Books is February 5 at 6:00 p.m. This is a great, fun-filled night for the whole family. We are looking for book donations. Books can be dropped off at the front office at any time.

This year we will have a KSAS Gear Swap along with Bingo for Books on February 5. KSAS Gear donations will be collected in the school foyer before school, 8:35-9:10 a.m. and after school 3:30-4:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 1, Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> and Monday, February 5. Gear order forms will be sent home February 2<sup>nd</sup> and orders along with payment will be due on February 12.

*Like us on Facebook under Kaleidoscope PTA as we post a lot of reminders there! You can contact us through email at [ksaspta@gmail.com](mailto:ksaspta@gmail.com)*



## APC Information

This January, the APC completed Robin Dahlman's mid-year Administrator Evaluation. The mid-year evaluation is a "formative" evaluation; the final evaluation will take place in June. Robin's contract was extended through the 2018-2019 school year and the APC was able to meet the timeline set out last year, while following newly clarified State of Alaska statutes regarding charter school administrator evaluations. The process took nearly 130 hours of combined volunteer effort. It's important to remember that the APC is

a group of volunteers and staff giving their personal time to help Kaleidoscope stay true to its charter and mission. The evaluation process is a critical tool to ensure that the APC, Staff, Parents and Administrator are communicating clearly and effectively.

Looking forward, APC will be focusing on Kaleidoscope's 5 year Strategic Plan, Charter Re-Application, and on-going budget discussions.

Please join us at our next Regular APC meeting, February 19, 2018 at 4:15 in the KSAS Library.



**Lovelines, Ads &  
5th Grade Baby Photos  
Due March 1**

Order Your  
**YEARBOOK**



**\$16**



## Reenrollment Forms

Reenrollment forms were sent home January 12<sup>th</sup> and are due to the office by 4:00 on February 16. This is the form that holds a spot for your child in 2018-2019. If your child is not returning, even those going into middle school, you do need to complete the back of the form and turn it in to the office.

If you plan to enter another child, a sibling of a currently enrolled child, you must complete a sibling lottery application by 4:00 March 2.

## Nurse's Corner

With only 69 more school days left (as of Feb 2), I am working to wrap up loose ends. Letters will be going out in February for those who have had hearing or vision referrals sent home. These letters will be reminders that if your child had a referral and was seen by a physician, to kindly send a copy of the report to me. This is important so that I can help your child have the best opportunity to learn by following any recommendations by their physician in order to have the best learning environment.

Please continue to keep your children home if they are running a fever, have diarrhea and or vomiting. Medicating before bringing them to school is not acceptable as your child is still contagious if they have a fever, even with medication, and we want to prevent the spread of illness to others.

Thank you for your cooperation in these matters.

Nurse Carol