

Mountain View Elementary School

"Kenai's Neighborhood School"

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IMPORTANT DATES

**Monday, February 4 –
Friday, February 8
BOOK FAIR**

Open in the Library
during school hours and
Parent-Teacher
Conferences

**Wednesday, February 6
EARLY RELEASE**
School dismissed at
1:50 PM

**Thursday & Friday
February 7 & 8**
Parent-Teacher Conferences
**NO SCHOOL FOR
STUDENTS**

**Thursday, February 14
VALENTINES DAY**



**Friday, February 22
CRAZY HAIR DAY**



**Friday, March 8
INSERVICE DAY**
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

**Monday, March 11-
Friday, March 15
SPRING BREAK**
NO SCHOOL

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Funded by Title 1

Artist Shala Dobson will be in our school for the week of February 18th -22nd to work with our Pre-K through 2nd grade students to help them create their own books. She will visit each primary classroom and teach students a variety of techniques for cover art, binding, text features, illustrating, and layout. These books, and others made later utilizing the techniques learned, can be used for school content projects, autobiographies, keepsake diaries, family scrapbooks, sketchbooks or for a fledgling author to write their first book.

Parents are invited to come to their child's class when the artist is present and learn techniques to use at home with their students to create books. What better way to promote reading and writing then to create your own book! Shala will also host a family night, Thursday, February 21st, to accommodate parents who cannot make it to school during the day. Teachers will be sending more information home with students next week.

WHO ELSE IS IN OUR SCHOOL?

Artists are not the only community members we bring in our school to help us enhance our students' learning. Some other organizations with personnel who have been here this year include: the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, Kenai Public Library, Kenai Kavemen Wrestling, Junior Achievement, Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Alaska National Guard, Peninsula Safe Kids, UAF Cooperative Extension, Lee Shore Women's Shelter, Kenai Brown Bears Hockey Team, a variety of local health care professionals, Governor Bill Walker, Kenai Police Department, Kenai Fire Department, Veterans from all branches of the armed services, Alaska Red Cross, and the Renewable Alaska Energy Project.

This list is by no means exhaustive, and doesn't include field trips, but hopefully gives a little insight into the variety of community resources we access to help make our students' learning experience relevant and engaging.

Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

BUDGET MEETINGS

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District requests input from staff, parents, and community members at the districtwide KPBSD budget development meeting, scheduled at the following locations:

- Tuesday, February 19, 2019 @ 6:00 pm in the Homer High School Library
- Wednesday, February 20, 2019 @ 6:00 pm in the Soldotna High School Library
- Thursday, February 21, 2019 @ 6:00 pm in the Kenai Central High School Library
- Tuesday, February 26, 2019 @ 6:00 pm in the Seward High School Library

As new budget information becomes available, it will be posted here: <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/departments.aspx?id=38>.

If you have questions, please call Natalie Bates at 714-8888.

District News: School Safety Closure or Delayed Start Information

Parents and guardians, school safety is a top priority in the KPBSD. It's important for you to know what to do before, during, and after a school emergency, weather related delayed start, or school closure. Please visit the webpage, <http://bit.ly/EmergencyInformationKPBSD> to familiarize yourself with A.L.I.C.E., KPBSD emergency terms and actions, and how to learn if there will be a two-hour delayed start or school closure.

In the event of two-hour school delays or closures, official announcements will be made on the KPBSD website homepage, the KPBSD Facebook and Twitter feeds, and shared through the KPBSD Mobile App, social media, and your local radio and television stations. Schools with automated call systems may notify families directly. Timing of the decision is crucial so we can notify transportation before busses begin their routes, employees head to work, and students and families prepare for a school day, potentially waiting at bus-stops. The decision to close school for the day, or institute a two-hour delay start, is the responsibility of the Superintendent of Schools. If school remains open, and you, as a parent, do not believe it is safe for your child to travel to school, use your best judgment to determine what is safest for your child. Please notify the school if your child will not attend.



SOARING EAGLES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Gideon Blum, Lillianna Christensen, Maggie Fannon, Jacob Hall, Izabella Hoover, Anabelle Jennings, Kaarlo Kempf, Coleman Leclair, Peyton Malmquist, Elle Maufrais, Marley Mesa, Ellsi Miller, Kimber Moore, Marvin Pingayak, Ana Richardson, Klairah Ross, Riley Schuetzler, Rowan Smith, Talon Smith, Uriah Smith, & Kaiden Tressler.