



# A Message from the Principal

Greetings! Snow has finally arrived and is most likely here to stay. Students are to come to school with snow gear on and then they will have it for recess time. Students will need shoes to wear about the school because if they wear boots all day their feet will get really hot and their walking stride tends to be a bit clunky. Tennis shoes are the proper foot wear for PE due to safety and comfort. Also, within the building the temperature may vary, so I recommend a sweatshirt or sweater for times when students may feel a chill. Wearing jackets, snow pants and boots all day is discouraged due to comfort and working in the classroom, specials (PE) and then when students do go outside it can cause problems such as chills. continued on page 5

#### •• SEL Star Winner ••

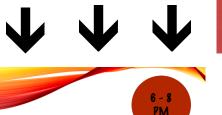
10/22 - 10/25

K – Kieanna Byrd – McAllister 1<sup>st</sup>– Jacob Smith – McComas 2<sup>nd</sup>– Joey Hester - Larson 3<sup>rd</sup> – Zaylee Helton – Vecera 4<sup>th</sup>– Ella DeGroot – Vecera 5<sup>th</sup>– Aedan Korensky – Boes 6<sup>th</sup>– Kobi Hernandez – Williams

#### 10/29 - 11/2

K- Declin Montgomery - McAllister 1<sup>st</sup>- Amani Lewis – McComas 2<sup>nd</sup>- Micah Tkachenko – Arriaga 3<sup>rd</sup>- Matheiu Forcier- Vecera 4<sup>th</sup>- Emory Stotz – Vecera 5<sup>th</sup>- Carson Byrd – Boes 6<sup>th</sup> - In honor of Alaska Native Heritage Month, Ursa Minor's SEL team and the Alaska Native Heritage Center are hosting a family night! Come out for a night of cultural fun and learning!

> November 29 6-8 PM



11/29/18

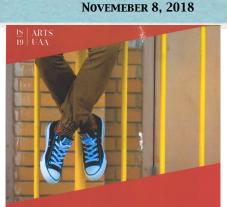
Family

Night

cina. Drums. Crafts. Games

Join Us at

Ursa Minor Elementary



NEW KID BY DENNIS FOON DATE / TIME: Friday, November 16 @ @ 2'000 In this play the spirit of youth prevails are of fillers are shown and culture. Promoting the message that, in the end, kits are all the same miscle EDUCATIONAL THEMES: Aceptance, Anti-Bullying, Immigration, Racism, Taleranov, Conflict Resolution, Relevation, Social Emotional Learning, and English Language Learners.



November 16th, students will all have the opportunity to watch a performance of "New Kid" presented by UAA. Thank you to the PTA for helping make this performance happen for our students.



Join us for our annual "Pies for Patriots" to celebrate Veteran's Day!

Novemeber 9th, 2018 3:45 PM In the MPR

Come out and enjoy a slice of pie or other sweet treat!



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IMPORTANT FIELD TRIP INFORMATION Parents & Guardians:

When paying lunch accounts online, there may be an option to pay for a field trip. Please, do not pay for anything extra until you have seen a permission slip come home. Not all grades levels go on all field trips! We cannot produce a refund for these transactions.

If you do send your child with cash or a check, please place the money in a seal envelope with your child's name, teacher, amount, the name of the field trip and if if is for a student ticket or a volunteer ticket.

Please remember that field trips are planned far in advance and the number of seats for a play and/or bus is limited.

#### If you are unsure if your child is going on a field trip, please feel free to call the front office to confirm at 907-428-1311. Thank you!

#### Monday Morning Assembly Schedule

Nov. 12- No School - Veteran's Day

Nov. 19 - Tucker - "I am aware of my responsiblities at school (at home and in the community).

Nov. 26 - McComas - Students demonstrate an awareness of cultural issues and a respect for human dignity and differences.

Dec. 3 - McAllister - "I care about and respect the individual differences of others."

Dates to remember...

Nov. 9 - Pies for Patriots

PM

Nov. 14 - PTA meeting @ 2:30

Nov 16 - Domino's Night



Lunch times have changed slightly. This is the updated schedule. Please feel free to come have lunch with your student! Just come check in at the office first!

#### Kinder

11:25 - 12:05 Recess 11:50 - 12:10 Lunch

#### 5th & 6th Grade

11:40 - 12:05 Recess 12:05 - 12:25 Lunch

#### **1st Grade**

11:55 - 12:20 Recess 12:20 - 12:40 Lunch

#### 1/2 Combo & 2nd Grade

12:10 - 12:35 Recess 12:35 - 12:55 Lunch

#### 3rd & 4th Grade

12:25 - 12:50 Recess 12:50 - 1:10 Lunch

Bring in \$.50 for a delicious popcorn treat!

FUN FRIDAYSI Nov. 9 Nov. 16

### **URSA MINOR PTA**

Just a reminder, popcorn money is collected by the teachers and turned into the PTA in the morning. While the front office may have extras, there could be days when they don't so please plan accordingly! Thanks!



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#### NURSE's Chatroom - October





#### November Field Trips:

\*\*If child has Medications or Health Care Plans (Asthma/Allergy/Anaphylaxis...): All items must be present & current prior to child going on field trip



Don't forget your Winter Gear!!

Winter is a busy time of year and our children might appreciate being reminded to bring hats, mittens, warm boots, snow pants, and jacket to school to enjoy playing in the snow at recess.

Since blood flow to the arms and legs is guided by the temperature of blood flow to the brain, the addition of wearing a warm jacket and hat (or balaclava) will increase the circulation to the hands and feet.

It is also important for Alaska's children to realize that cold injury such as "mild frostbite", can leave fingers, toes, ears, etc more susceptible to cold, circulation problems, numbness, and infection.

First Aid:

The primary goal of frostbite treatment is saving as much of the affected part's capillary bed as possible. Optimal treatment involves rapid re-warming of the affected part in a swirling water bath consistent with, but not exceeding 104-107 degrees Fahrenheit (40-42°C). If the water is too hot--it can cause further injury. If it is not warm enough, it won't save as many small blood vessels (capillaries).

If underlying hypothermia is suspected or the cold injury is beyond superficial, it is best to consult with your health care provider or emergency services.

With all forms of cold injury, prevention is the best medicine. Don't forget your winter gear!

School Nurse: Toni Boudreau, RN, BSN, CMSRN

Courtesy Charles Hsieh, RN



This month in Health class, along with their quarterly Personal Safety topic, students will be learning about a topic that has to do with nutrition and digestive system. See below for links to parent letters where you can view more information about your student's grade-level-specific topic.

#### Monthly Theme: Nutrition

Grade	К	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Topic	Adventure In Food	Why Do We Eat?	The Wide World of Food	Let's Eat	The Digestive System	You Are What You Eat	Eat Smart, Look Great
Link to Parent Bulletin	https://goo.g I/MRR9DD	https://go o.gl/vbM4 E7	https://goo. gl/PgcYsx	<u>https://goo.</u> gl/K1HF7z	https://goo. gl/mcBLe3	https://go o.gl/S9tX SD	<u>https://qo</u> <u>o.ql/Nvwf</u> <u>Yi</u>

Richelle Lay K-6 Health/Social Emotional Learning



November 30th is the final day to turn in November Healthy Futures Activity Logs. This will complete the Fall Healthy Futures Challenge.





Here is the end result of our Red Ribbon March! Thank you again to all the parents who volunteered their time to walk and keep our students safe!



URSA MANOR WENDY BRONS, PRINCIPAL/ 336 HOONAH AVE, JBER, AK 99605/ 907-428-131												
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY						
				1	2	3 PTA Booth @ The Country Fair						
					*Fun Friday	BUCKNER GYM						
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS Dealer 17 St fur and	5	6	7	8	PIES FOR PATRIOTS 3:45 PM IN THE MPR *ION ERDAY	10						
11 Veterans Day	NO SCHOOL	13	14 PTA Meeting @ 2:30 PM	15	16 Domino's Fundraiser Night *Fun Friday	17						
18	19 SEL: Ms. Tucker's class	20	21	NO SCHOOL HAPPY THANKSGVING	No School	24						
25	26 SEL: Mrs. McComas' class	27	28	29 Family Night 6-8 pm	30							



REMINDER: students are to arrive at school NO EARLIER than 8:25 am for breakfast and NO EARLIER than 8:40 am for those waiting outside. There is NO adult supervision until 8:40 am.

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I want to let you know now of an exciting event that our Social Emotional Committee has planned. Mark the date and time, **Thursday**, **November 29th**, **6** – **8 pm**. I realize this might get a little late but we hope that you come and enjoy what you can. We will have dancers and artist from the Alaska Native Heritage Center.

Parents, there is a saying, "coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success." Henry Ford. So, we are stronger when we are working together to support our students in their learning. I want to say "thank you" for all you do to support our efforts at home and if you have a question or concern please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

"Gratitude is the Attitude" for not only this season, but all year long. But, we do pause this time of year to reflect on our blessings. It is great seeing parents in the building helping out in the classrooms or school activities. Please feel free to visit your child during recess and lunch. It really makes their day. I also want you to know that I count your children twice as a blessing. I am so fortunate to be able to work for a great group of students who teach me all the time about life and learning; and make me smile throughout the day. I also want to thank our many veterans and active service members for their service to our country and the positive presence you are in our school, neighborhood and community for our young people.

Warm regards and Happy Thanksgiving,

Wendy Brons, Principal