

Butte Elementary Newsletter

BUTTE ELEMENTARY

MARCH GREETINGS

Butte Elementary
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February 25, 2022

Greetings Butte Families,

I don't ever remember a quarter of school moving so quickly. With weather cancellations, and a whole host of activities, we have certainly been on our toes since January. We have more going on for students than I can remember at any time in my tenure here at Butte Elementary. With 3 Art Clubs, Science Olympiad, Archery Club, Fitness Club, Chess Club, Science Fair, the Spelling Bee, and our 4/5 Musical Performance, there is no shortage of activities for students to get involved with.

Thank you for your continued flexibility this year as we have made adjustments many different times for many different reasons. We are doing everything in our power to keep things moving in a positive direction and keep the the students learning while also adjusting where necessary. Your support has been instrumental. I think we have a stockpile of lemons on hand at this point; thank you for helping us to keep making lemonade. :-) Thank you.

I want to recognize some folks that have done well at Butte Elementary School recently. Our 3rd/4th Battle of the Books Team took 3rd place overall in the District a couple of weekends ago. They missed moving on to the State competition by just one question! Great job team. Mr. McDermott was recognized last weekend as the Technology Support Staff of the Year for the State of Alaska. He is our on site guru to help troubleshoot everything from setting up a Zoom, to working with Promethean boards, to helping me with the sound system for performances. His knowledge and skill is a great asset to our building and community. Congratulations Mr. McDermott!

As always, please reach out if you have thoughts about our wonderful school.

Have a great weekend, and a great Spring Break.

Educationally,

Joshua Rockey

Title I Report Card to the Public for Butte Elementary

Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s):

Recently the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (DEED) released the 2020-2021 Report Cards to the Public for each school district and school in Alaska. The continuing impact of COVID-19 on the operation of Alaska's public school buildings throughout the 2020-2021 school year has had a substantial effect on the state's accountability system and Alaska Report Card to the Public. As a result, the Accountability waiver that was approved on June 9, 2021 limits the data that are available on the Report Card for the 2020-2021 school year. The Reporting Plan for the 2020-2021 Alaska School, District, and State Report Cards outlines the data that will be reported publicly on the website and the data that will likely be accompanied with additional documentation.

To view a 2020-2021 school or district report card to the public, go to <https://education.alaska.gov/compass/report-card>. Once there, you will be able to select which school or district report card to the public you wish to view. This user-friendly website aims to provide families with clear, common information about all public schools and districts in our State. These report cards to the public contain data and information about academics, school environment, teacher quality, and more. If you are unable to access the Report Card to the Public online, please contact your student's school.

We know that the report card to the public is just one of many ways you will engage with us at Butte Elementary. We look forward to sharing our school's successes with you, and working together to make our school better every day. In particular, we are proud that at Butte the report card to the public shows us doing well on ELA and Math in comparison to the District and State averages.

We hope you will closely follow your student's academic progress and work with his or her teacher(s) to help ensure academic success. Working together as a team, we can improve not only how well our students are performing individually, but how our school and district is performing as a whole. There is nothing more important to administrators and teachers at Butte Elementary than ensuring that students are ready for the next step in their academic career. We look forward to partnering with you.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding our school or district report card to the public, please don't hesitate to contact us at 907-861-5200.

Sincerely,

Joshua Rockey
Butte Elementary School Principal

NOTES FROM OUR NURSE

As COVID is winding down some in our school, I wanted to remind everyone that we are still trying to keep our school healthy. If your child is sick, please keep them home. **Your child will need a negative COVID test (not a home or rapid test) to return to school after ANY symptoms on the exclusion lists that are located on the school district webpage.** Those symptoms may seem like minor cold type symptoms but, those are the classic symptoms of COVID. If your child becomes symptomatic at school, we have a new test to stay in school option. You will get a phone call asking permission to test even if you have given us computer permission. If your child tests negative and symptoms aren't disruptive, they will be sent back to class. Students who do not test to stay will follow the same guidelines as a positive test according to the school district guidelines.

Please continue to make sure your children are properly dressed for the weather when sending them to school. If you are having problems getting them outfitted with the appropriate gear, please let the school know and we will see what we have available for your child.

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CHESS CLUB

Right now it's running during lunch time, for 2-5th graders. In addition for those 4th and 5th grades who would like to compete it will also include evenings. See Mr McDermott for more information.



ART CLUBS

We have three art clubs, running concurrently:
Studio Art Club-with Mrs Christensen-Wednesday from 4-5:30
Art Club-With Mrs Anisimova-T/Th 8:15-9:00 am
Art Club-With Mrs Peters-Thursday 4-5:30 pm



SCIENCE O

March 5th District Tournament for Science O

UPCOMING EVENTS

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March 1 4th/5th Grade Musical Performance

March 3 Quarter 3 ends

March 4 Teacher Work Day (No School for Students)

March 5 Science Olympiad District Competition

March 7-11 Spring Break

March 26 PTA Indoor Garage Sale

April 5-8 State Testing

April 8-9 Wearable Art Show

April 9 Chess District Tournament

April 21 1st/2nd/ 3rd Grade Musical Performance

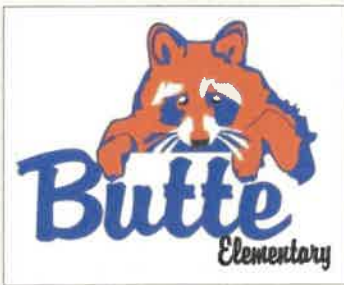
May 4-5 5th Grade Challenger Trip to Kenai

May 6 Professional Development Day (No School for Students)

May 12 Band/Choir Concert

May 13 Thrive Matsu Field Day

May 20 Last Day of School for Students




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UP THE BATTLE OF
THE BOOKS TEAM



MRS. BRIGHT
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SCIENCE OLYMPIAD
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MR. MCDERMOTT
RECEIVING TECH
SUPPORT AWARD AT
ASTE



PJMS/PHS BAND
AND CHOIR CONCERT



ARCHERY IN ACTION

READ ACROSS AMERICA SPIRIT WEEK 2/28 TO 3/3

Mon- Career Day—Oh the places you go

Tues- Crazy Sock day —fox in socks (also good for the kids in the play)

Wed- Twin Day (Cat in the hat and his actually birthday)

Thur- Red, Blue, Green Day -One Fish two fish, red fish Blue fish or green eggs and ham

