

# O'MALLEY MALAMUTES



Dear Parents,

January 9, 2009

It was nice to see so many attend and enjoy the first concert of the year, as well as the band/orchestra concert. Ms. Bailey and the chorus did a wonderful job performing during the holiday season. They performed at the Ted Stevens Airport, the Alaska Zoo, Providence Extended Care Unit, and at school on December 9.

I would like to congratulate all of the students who participated in the Geography Bee. Congratulations to Nyle Schimschat who took first place in the Geography Bee. All of the students who took part should be commended for all of their hard work. A thank you goes out to Mrs. Davis for working with the students and coordinating this activity.

Mrs. Schoen and parent volunteers have been working hard with students involved in Battle of the Books. The children have been busy reading and practicing questions with their team members. If your child is in Battle of the Books, please encourage him/her to read.

O'Malley does have some students who walk to and from school every day. For safety reasons, please remember to stop at the cross walk when students and parents are present. When dropping off students in the morning, remain in the flow of traffic rather than pulling out and driving around other vehicles. The staff members out on duty do their best at helping students and keeping the traffic moving so please be patient. Also, please remember to send the proper snow gear to school with your child every day.

Daily attendance is essential to student learning. It is equally important that students arrive at school in a timely manner. We are concerned about students who are coming to school tardy. Students who are tardy must stop in the office before going on to class. Tardiness disrupts the classroom and instruction for other students. School begins at 9:00 am; however, students need to be at school by 8:50 am. School ends at 3:30 pm. Please refrain from picking up your child/children early unless necessary. I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Have a nice weekend.

Sincerely,

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