# TIGER TRACKS

Northern Lights ABC Elementary School Newsletter

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### October

JA in a Day

18th

No School/End of Q1

19th

Conferences

24th/25th

Early Dismissal 11:45am

24th/25th

No School

26th

Picture Re Takes

30th

MS Academic Assembly 8:15a 31st

#### November

October Reading Logs Due 1st

Academic Assembly 8:30/9:30 2nd

RWB Assembly 8:30/9:30 9th

No School 12th

PTA Board Meeting 3:00p 14th

Thanksgiving Feast 21st

No School 22nd/23rd

See NLABC Website for full calendar Events...

Facebook School Website Email SignUp

### **Conference Week Schedule**

- •Monday 10/22- Regular School Day
- Tuesday 10/23- Regular School Day
- •Wednesday 10/24- CONFERENCE DAY-1/2 Day for Grades 1-6, Dismissal at 11:45am, Regular School Day for Kindergarten
- •Thursday 10/25- CONFERENCE DAY- 1/2
  Day for Grades 1-6, Dismissal at 11:45am,
  NO school for Kindergarten
- •Friday 10/26- NO SCHOOL

Middle School conferences will be held in the MPR

on **10/24** from 12:15-3pm and on **10/25** from 12:15-3pm and 4-7pm. \*Band/Orchestra will be there on **10/24** 12:15-3:00pm



## **School News**



### **Contact Information**

Anytime you have a change to your contact information please let us know in the office. Please fill out the Contact Change form and email it or drop it by the office to us. If we need to get ahold of you in case of an emergency we need the most up to date phone numbers, email addresses and home address information.

It is also helpful if you have voicemail set up on your phone numbers so that if you get a call from the school we can leave a message. The number from our school will show up the same whether the office, nurse or your student calls from their classroom. If we cannot leave a message you may not know who the missed call was from.

Thank you-NLABC

Attention 5th and 6th grade parents. The deadline for registering for the DC trip in June is October 15th. We have 8 spaces left. Enroll Today! If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Duff.



#### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

The upcoming Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on October 24th and 25th. Early dismissal will be at 11:45am those days. Kindergarten will have regular classes on Wednesday and No School on Thursday and Friday.

Early dismissal Conferences offer parents the opportunity to find out how their child is getting along with classmates, how they're progressing in school and what can be done at home to build upon strengths and overcome challenges.

Please visit the online scheduler at: <a href="www.asdk12.org/parents">www.asdk12.org/parents</a> to schedule your conference if you have not already.



<u>Picture Re-Takes</u> Picture re-takes will be on October 30th.

#### **Check out the Lost and Found**

Has your child lost a hat? A lunchbox? Their coat or shoes? The school's Lost and Found is overflowing. The lost and found is located near the library.

If a lost item has name on it, it will be returned to the child's classroom. Please label your child's belongings-- it's the best way to be sure it gets returned quickly.

If your child has lost something this year, please have them check the bins soon. We donate items to local organizations on a quarterly basis.

Thank you~NLABC



# CO-ED ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL

Northern Lights ABC has been invited to join a co-ed 4th/5th/6th grade basketball league with 22 other Anchorage elementary schools. This league is an informal league of elementary school teams not authorized by the Anchorage School District. There are no fees



but it requires parent volunteers to organize and coach a team and provide volunteer referees for games. We have about two weeks to identify volunteers to organize a Tigers Elementary Basketball Team if our school wants to have a team. Organizing and supporting this team **is not the responsibility of school personnel** but rather exclusively up to the parents and kids. Anyone who wants to help organize a team should organize a meeting of Northern Lights ABC interested parents and kids and contact Leroy Jones at Willow Crest Elementary School direct: 742-1032 cell: 360-1635 jones leroy@asdk12.org.

## Nurse

#### Dear Parents,

The Municipality of Anchorage- Department of Health & Social Services has agreed to organize a **FREE FLU CLINIC** at **NLABC** on October 25<sup>th</sup> from 12-4pm during the Parent Teacher Conference. This outreach is for FREE Flu vaccines open to ALL insured or noninsured (Public, ASD students, staff, and family). Please help spread the word. Consent forms and vaccines will ALL be provided by MOA. Forms will be completed on site. Attached is the Free Flu vaccine flyer.

If you have any questions please contact School Nurse 742-7508. Thank you

## **Library News**

#### T.I.G.E.R. READING CLUB UPDATE

September 2018 Reading

September 2018 Total Reading Pages: 624,519

Pages left to 5-million-page-goal: 3,586,023

Readers who met the monthly goal: 335

Highest Percentage of Students Reading

-PRIMARY CLASS TROPHY K-3 WINNER -

Mrs. Bissell's 2<sup>nd</sup> graders

-INTERMEDIATE CLASS TROPHY 4-6 WINNER:

Mrs. Duff's 5th graders

-GRADE LEVEL TROPHY WINNERS - Highest Percentage Meeting Goal

KINDER - Mrs. Montes & Mrs. Kelly PM

1st GRADE - Mrs. King

2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE - Mrs. Bissell

3<sup>rd</sup> GRADE - Mrs. Navio

4th GRADE - Ms. Basinger

5th GRADE - Mrs. Duff

6th GRADE - Mr. Walsh

<sup>-</sup>TEACHER/PRINCIPAL/STAFF PRIZE WINNER FOR THE MOST PAGES PERSONALLY READ in September 2018

## The Scholastic Fall Book Fair is coming to Northern Lights Oct. 23rd— 25th

You can reach our Book Fair Homepage

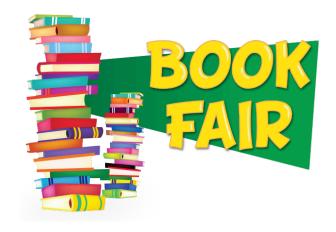
@ https://tinyurl.com/NLABC-BF18

From the homepage, you can preview the fair selections or shop online. The book fair is a great way to help our library raise money for wonderful new books, or to let your extended family add to their libraries (or to yours) from miles away.

We invite you and your family to visit the Book Fair in person during conference week. On Monday or Tuesday of the Book Fair week, our students will have time to create a "wish list" of titles. During preview week we've talked about many of the titles that have already been or will be added to our circulating collection at the NLABC library thanks to your families' purchases at the fair. **Family Shopping Hours are:** 

- Tuesday 2:00 4:00
- Wednesday & Thursday from 11:30-4:00.

We look forward to seeing you there!



#### Online fair shopping is available 24/7 from Oct. 15th

**to Oct. 29th.** The online store has an expanded selection, and lots of availability for much-demanded titles like Dav Pilkey's Lord of the Fleas. If you order from the online fair, you can pay online and expect your purchases to arrive at the school and be delivered to your student approximately 2 weeks from the close of the online fair on Oct. 29th.

### Volunteers are needed to run our fair. We need:

- Unpackers (Tuesday, Oct. 16th @ 9am),
- Cashiers (Wednesday and Thursday @ 11:30am)
- Packers (Thursday, Oct. 25th @ 4pm)

Do you have time to help? You can find a 2 hour spot just right for you by visiting SignUp @ vols.pt/Tiger/Team.

## **Middle School News**

### **VOLLEYBALL**

7-8th Grade Families,

We are pleased to announce that we now have a middle school volleyball team! If your student wants to play volleyball, please fill out and return the attached packet. Payment can be made online through your Zangle/Q parentconnect account. Sports physicals need to be within the last 18 months.



Practice starts on Monday, October 15, 2018.

If you have any question, give us a call. 742-7500

-NLABC

#### **Bulletin Board**

Did your student receive a special award? Have a volunteer opportunity? Scholarship info? Social event?

Send info to Linda Hehl <u>linda31@ak.net</u> or Flora Teo at <u>fteo@ja-alaska.org</u>. We will print and add to the board for you!



## Middle School Academic Assembly October 31st 8:15am

## **2018-19 Middle School Spirit Days**

October 18th Career Day "Future Aspirations"

Come dressed as your future self!

November 2nd "Country Western" Day/Line Dance

(watch for permission slips)

November 9th "Home Room Wars" Day

(winning home room will recieve a prize!)

December 14th "Fire & Ice" -MS Dance for a Cause

(watch for more information)

## **PTA**



## Family Friendly FUN Friday,October 12, 2018 from 6-8 p.m.

Come check out some new games, as well as some old favorites! You are going to want to see why Ms. Wallace is going to wear her raincoat to the Carnival! Other attractions this year include a photo booth, karaoke, and a money cube- how much (fake) money can you catch??

Pizza, chips, drinks- eat dinner there! While the kids are playing games, mom and dad need to check out the silent auction!

Many local businesses graciously donate goods and services for your bidding pleasure! The class baskets are always a huge hit as well!

Both the Carnival and the Silent Auction are PTA fundraisers that will fund many fun activities throughout the rest of the year!

### NLABC's JA In A Day on October 18th

We need volunteers for this event. The link to sign up is below.

https://engage.ja.org/volunteer/schooldetails? s=79e6a567-5db2-4a81-9838-7faca77fd517&site=alaska

Volunteers must sign in and create a profile, which only takes a moment. Once that's done, they can choose which class they want to pick for the day. We can set up a training / delivery of kit materials to anyone who would like that option.

Let me know if you have any more questions, and thank you in advance for your assistance!

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### LET THE PTA FUN BEGIN!!

We are off to a great school year at Northern Lights ABC and, as you know, it takes the hands of many to keep this momentum going! We need YOU!

Life happens. You are busy. We certainly understand. But there is a lot that you can do by just giving an hour of your time. And, you can share the workload by grabbing a few friends to join you!

So join us for our next PTA meeting of the year: TUESDAY, November 13th at 3pm in the NLABC Library. \*\* Kids are welcome, and we try to keep the meeting at an hour.

(PTA meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 3pm in the Library.)

## Why PTA? You're in a great position to help children succeed!

- PTA is the number one voice for parent involvement.
- Children succeed when families, schools, and work together. PTA helps develop those relationships through resources, programs, and advocacy.
- You're not alone. PTA is a network of trained and passionate volunteers just like you, ready to assist you when you need help.
- You are part of a powerful voice for all children, working with like-minded people around the country and the world to improve the education and well-being youth.
- You are supported by real people information about children and education you can use today.
- PTA makes a big difference by influencing the decisions of legislators and other organizational leaders-and PTA works with parents locally to ensure proper funding, leadership, and instruction for all schools and school districts
- You can be a role model to your children and your community.

#### **VOLUNTEERS ARE THE BACKBONE OF NLABC!**

Please consider stepping into a new role during our 2018-19 school year.

Experience not required - Training provided. We encourage you to be creative and bring new ideas to NLABC!

There are many other volunteer needs. Here's how it works in 3 easy steps -

- 1. Enter this link to go to our invitation page on SignUp: http://vols.pt/TigerTeam
  - 2. Enter your e-mail address
  - 3. Choose your desired day & time to volunteer!

