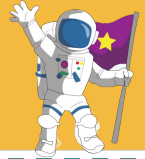


# All STAR POINTS

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Hello from Principal  
Christine Irwin &  
Asst. Principal Michael Kage



## Happy New Year!!

I'm delighted to tell you that we will not be closing next school year. The School Board has decided to keep 5 of the 6 schools proposed for closing open. We are relieved and look forward to continuing to teach your children and to build our community.

We have had 7 snow days thus far this school year. This is unprecedented and we anticipate changes to the school calendar later to make up missed days. Our current school calendar provides for 2 snow days while still meeting the state's requirement of 170 student days per school year. We anticipate that we will receive information from the superintendent later this month on how we will make up the other 5 days. We have a plan to have Zoom sessions on any other snow days this year.

### Here are the things you can expect from our school staff during future school closures.

- An email will be sent to parents in the morning outlining the schedule and the lessons to be completed at home.
- Teachers will provide a link to Zoom meetings that students may attend if they have access to a computer. These Zoom Meetings will be available, but not required.
- Teachers will be available by email throughout the snow day to address your questions.

We will begin a reward system for students with good attendance this semester. More information will be sent home later this week. It is very important for students to come to school on time each day as reading/math lessons begin shortly after morning announcements. Absent and late students have a difficult time keeping up with their peers because they miss lessons and information that the rest of the class have received. There are guidelines for sick students in previous newsletters, but please bring students to school by 8:50am.

Again, **Happy New Year!!**



## School Hours

**8:30 am** Front doors open for those eating breakfast only. Others line up at exterior classroom doors.

**8:40 am** Supervision outside begins until 8:55 am.

**8:50 am** Classroom doors open

**9:00 am** Tardy bell rings

**3:30 pm** dismissal grades K-5

Ms. Katy's PreK has alternate times.

## HAVE YOU MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER RECENTLY?

Please call and let Ms. Wendy know your new address or phone number. We like to keep all our records up to date.



### January

- 2-6 Winter Break
- 16 Holiday/No School
- 17 21st CCLC begins 3:30-5:30 pm
- 24 Family Night 6-7:30 pm
- 27 Basketball Game 4-5 pm

### February

- 20 Holiday/No School
- 21 No 21st CCLC this week
- 24 Inservice day/No School



No school on....

January 2-6, & 16



Family Night

January 20th  
6-7:30 pm



**Needed:**

Noon duties

10:45-1:15 pm

Click below to apply(East  
High Noon Duty/X-guard)

[Application](#)



Happy New Year!

I hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready for the semester ahead. With all of the snow days in December, testing and other happenings our classroom lesson schedule was disrupted, but I enjoyed a lot of face to face time in the classroom working and supporting our students. As we start this new year I will be working with students of all ages on their goals for the rest of the school year. We will talk about goal setting, what gets in the way of our goals and habits we need to make progress. It is easy to let time pass by, but when we set goals we can make great progress. I encourage you as a family to talk about what goals you all have as a family as well. What might you want to work on? Is it spending more time together as a family? Working on communicating better? Take time away from electronics and television and discover new hobbies? Whatever it is, you as a family unit can set and make progress towards a goal while modeling for your students the importance of being intentional with our time! So don't wait... get together, talk and set some goals!

### What is a SMART Goal?

**S** **M** **A** **R** **T**

- Specific**  
What exactly do you want to accomplish?  
Goals should be clear and detailed. Make sure your goal is not too general.
- Measurable**  
How will you know when you meet your goal?  
You should be able to track your progress towards your goal and know when you accomplish it.
- Action Plan**  
What steps will you need to do to reach your goal?  
List the steps you will need to accomplish your goal.
- Realistic**  
Is the goal realistic?  
Make sure your goal is not too easy or too hard.
- Time Frame**  
When will you do this?  
Set a deadline for your goal. Think about short term (a few weeks or a month) vs. long term goals (a few months or a year).

#### Anchorage School Board Members

Dave Donley, Pat Higgins,  
Andy Holleman,  
Carl Jacobs, Kelly Lessons,  
Dora Wilson and  
Margo Bellamy as president

Superintendent

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## 21ST CCLC: DANIEL BUITRAGO

### ~ALL STAR AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER COORDINATOR

I hope everyone had a relaxing Winter Break! 21st Century After-School Program resumes on Tuesday, January 17th. If your student was already enrolled in program 1st semester they are automatically re-enrolled for 2nd semester. If you are wanting to register your child we have room available in some grades. Please give me a call If you are wishing to place your child in program and I can let you know availability and get you the paperwork to get your child enrolled.

Mr. Daniel - Office # 742-1730.



**Mr. Daniel**

Beginning January 17th Mrs. Brossard will be in charge until a new coordinator is hired.



**Door decoration winners:**

**K-2 Mrs. Maggie's kindergarten**

**3-5 Mrs. Thomas's 4th grade**



## BETWEEN THE LINES IN THE LIBRARY:

KRISTIE BENSON~ALL STAR LIBRARIAN

Happy New Year, Readers!

Here's what's been happening in the library:

- \*Kindergarten and 1st grade are learning how to stay safe in their "online neighborhood".
- \*2nd and 3rd grade are learning about digital footprints and how to keep their digital footprints safe, responsible and respectful.
- \*4th and 5th grade are exploring how to Be Internet Awesome. They are discussing and sharing how to be safe and respectful online.

If you would like to continue these conversations at home here is a resource link for families.

<https://www.commonsense.org/education/family-resources>

## The Musical Notes: Mrs. Bustamante~All Star Music Teacher



**Happy New Year to all the Wonder Park Families!**

During the 3rd quarter we will be making music with our voices, the xylophones and metallophone, the recorders, and lots of bells and chimes.

We will be learning more songs and practicing our solfege singing hand signs.

Here is a link to a digital recorder book if you have a recorder at home you can practice with your child.

<https://www.eemusicclass.com/lessons/display?sc=1&lessonid=268&vid=0&cid=32099&shareloc=&shareloc=PBfsBcn7cigPqte5>

We will also be learning to read musical scores and compose some of our own music. It's easy if you use the rhythm of a poem and then decide what pitches you would like to use.

The Orff method of music education that I use combines voice, recorder, percussion instruments, xylophones, metallophones, and movement to promote creativity and learning in every child.

Here is a link to a few happy songs for your new year!

<https://www.eemusicclass.com/shared/0w8i5nnButppyuk3>

[Click the blue eye and choose music notation! Enjoy!](#)

## Around the track with Mr. Mestas and Mrs. Yancey: All Star PE teachers

**Top Sledding Hills:** Anchorage is full of sledding hills that are the perfect places to put down a sled and build up some speed. From kid-friendly hills to longer, steeper slopes, local sledding hills come in a variety of shapes, lengths, inclines and altitudes, and there are more than enough runs to keep thrill-seekers busy all winter long. Visit the [top sledding hills](#) in Anchorage.

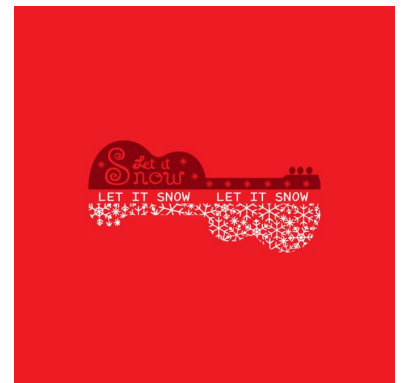
**Winter Play:** Explore the 86 playgrounds in Anchorage all year long. Even in winter, playgrounds are a great gathering place for getting fresh air and burning some energy. Find a new play space for your family with a [detailed map](#) of all 86 playgrounds in Anchorage! The map highlights playground features, park amenities, driving directions, and location on our trail system.



**PLAY EVERY DAY**







WP Basketball team plays Kincaid school

