

PUMA PRIDE

KLATT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2020

A Note From Your Principal

I hope this letter finds you in good health, especially with the uncertainties and anxieties surrounding us with Corvid-19 virus. As you are aware from our superintendent's letter of Friday, March 20th, Governor Dunleavy announced schools will be closed through May 1st in a continued effort to promote social distancing and keep all Alaskans safe. Our city is taking extensive and proactive actions to prevent the spread of this virus. All of us have a role in protecting our families and each other.

What does this mean for our students at Klatt? At this point in time, our school district website asdk12.org has many educational resources for distance learning to keep our students busy, engaged, and learning. Our IT (Information and Technology) Department continues to work on developing distance learning for our students. Foremost, is for our high school students in our community to have the credits to graduate. Our elementary teachers are coordinating the districtwide core instructional modules with supplemental activities for our students. The activities will be designed to engage students for a length of 20 to 40 minutes at a time and feedback from the teacher will be given. To help students navigate remote learning, they will access their instruction through a single log-in called Clever. They will be able to access their classroom learning and enrichment activities with their specialists through this portal.

Our staff has enjoyed the contact they have had with their students through check-in ZOOM meetings. Each grade level will continue to have contact with families with 2-3 scheduled ZOOM check-in meetings a week for parents/students. This detailed schedule will be sent to you soon. Please know we will do all that we can to support your student working online. Contact your teacher with any technology problems you may encounter.

For now, our phone call-in line at Klatt will be through email contact at askklatt@asdk12.org. Ms. Alison and Ms. Lee will receive your call and forward it on to the appropriate staff member.

**Remember – also highly contagious is
kindness, patience, love, enthusiasm,
and a positive attitude!**



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Bus Stop Locations For RT 3 KLATT FOOD SERVICE ROUTES



Time and Location

10:23 AM : CAMEO ST @ AQUAMARINE CIR

10:44 AM : TURQUOISE ST @ CARNELIAN ST

11:05 AM : TURQUOISE ST @ LAZULI ST

11:25 AM : RUBY ST @ TURQUOISE ST

11:46 AM : LAZULI ST @ GEM PL

12:06 PM : CARNELIAN ST @ LAZULI ST

12:27 PM : CAMEO ST@1044

12:48 PM : CARNELIAN ST No Intersection

1:08 PM : CARNELIAN ST @ OPAL DR

1:23 PM : KASOLITE ST@GARNET ST

1:38 PM : GARNET ST @ TOPAZ ST

1:52 PM : CRYSTAL ST@KASOLITE

STUDENT NUTRITION

Distribution Sites for Meals through April

ASD will provide breakfast and lunch to children 18 years or younger during weekdays through April from 10 AM to 2 PM. Klatt is a distribution site.

KUDOS TO OUR KLATT ARTISTS!

48TH Annual Student Art Show

The community was cordially invited to attend the districtwide presentation of student artwork celebrating National Youth Art Month in March. We were very proud of the following talented Klatt student artists: Shiloh Woo "I Saw a Ship" was displayed in Midtown; Keira Jolly "Floating Otter" displayed in the Anchorage Museum; Marcus Helms "Bears Are Fun"; Samhara Hernandez "A Visitor's Building in Anchorage, Alaska" was displayed in City Hall; and Rian Victors "Running Wolf" was displayed at the Loussac Library.



NOTES FROM MUSIC

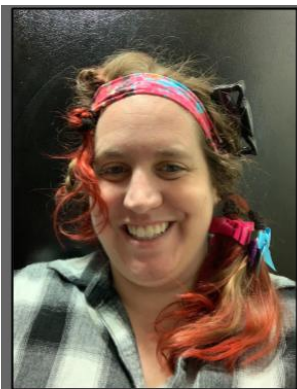
Spring Greetings from Ms. Feighery

I hope you all are doing well. My family and I are doing fine. I miss being able to sing, play instruments, dance, and play music games with our students. Even with a toddler and a goldfish in the house, it is very quiet at home.

For music activities that you and your family can do at home, I highly suggest singing, dancing, and playing any music related games that you already know. These could be hand clapping games, jump rope songs and rhymes (no jump rope necessary), and other songs, dances, and games from your own culture or everyday life. Song stories and storytelling are also great. It may not seem like it, but these songs, dances, stories, and games are VITAL parts of a child's physical and cognitive development and language acquisition. "Before a child talks they sing. Before they write they draw. As soon as they stand they dance. Art is fundamental to human expression" a quote from Phylicia Rashad.

That being said, here are some more specific suggestions for music and fine arts activities you can do at home. Students can experiment with making their own instruments, or using "found objects" around the house (like in Stomp) to make their own music. Now may be a good time to start a family band!

On my ASD google site, I have links to many other free music games and videos that you can check out https://sites.google.com/a/asdk12.net/feighery_theresa/home. Sixth grade students (especially those in Band and Orchestra) should check out <https://www.smartmusic.com>. SmartMusic is already used in middle and high schools throughout the district, and they are offering free student accounts until June. Another site <https://www.gonoodle.com> is not music-specific, but has many fun, educational, and active videos. Another great site is Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra Game <https://listeningadventures.carnegiehall.org/>



Smiles to our students!

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Get out and play. Every day!

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| Take a walk with your kids and teach them the animal prints in the snow. | Take the Healthy Futures Challenge! | Go swimming. |
| Bundle up and go sledding. | Hula Hoop. | Strap on your skis or snowshoes and get moving. |
| Go fishing and berry picking. | Build a snowman. | |
| Bury some goodies in the snow in a cooler and send your kids on a treasure hunt. | Skip rocks. | Rake leaves and jump in! |
| Ice skate at a local rink. | Go fly a kite. | Make a snow angel, or two, or three. |
| Kick a soccer ball. | Jump rope! | Toss or kick a hackey sack! |
| Walk your dog. | Dance, dance, dance! | Take a walk and learn how to identify Alaska's beautiful wildflowers. |
| Build a fort out of snow blocks. | Play tag while staying in your tracks in the snow. | Play a friendly game of hockey in your driveway, or head to a rink. |
| Play basketball. | Roller skate. | Invite your kids to join you while you do your workout or exercise video. |
| Race to see who can get dressed in snow gear first! | Go bowling or roller skating. | |
| Toss a Frisbee, football, or baseball. | Participate in Healthy Futures events. | Pretend you are an Arctic explorer and make some important outdoor discoveries. |
| Go on a nature walk. | Go ice fishing. | Race your kids to your favorite park. |
| Create an indoor treasure hunt. | Make winter chores fun. Shovel the driveway as a family. | Hike. |
| Take your kids jogging and challenge them to a race. | Play hide and seek. | Strap on your helmets and go for a bike ride. |
| | | Create an obstacle course. |



www.healthyfuturesak.org/ Need activity ideas? Go to www.playeveryday.alaska.gov

