



# PUMA PRIDE

Klatt Elementary School Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2018

## PAPERLESS OPTION

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## OUR SCHOOL

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## A NOTE FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Klatt families:

First of all, I want to thank everyone for all the great support. Klatt currently has 95.48% attendance which is above our school goal of 95%. This past month Klatt was 2.27% higher than last October. This equates to students being at school for approximately 100 more days in just one month compared to last year. The following quote from *attendanceworks.org* explains why your efforts are so important:

*“One California study found that only 17 percent of students who were chronically absent in both kindergarten and first grade were reading proficiently in third grade, compared to 64 percent of those with good attendance.”*

I also want to thank teachers, parents and students for their participation in conferences. This was a great time for everyone to talk about progress in school, student’s friends, and how to build on strengths to overcome challenges. Now that conferences are over, please remember to check Parent Connect for updates on student’s progress in class. Also, please feel free to reach out to our staff through phone calls and email. As a parent you play the most important role in your child’s education. Our school is here to help support you.

Klatt is very fortunate to have such a motivated and hardworking PTA membership this year. The PTA put in a tremendous amount of time and effort into this year’s fall festival success. I want to thank everyone who participated in making this a great fall festival. It was great to see so many families come and support our school. In addition, this month our teachers and staff enjoyed delicious home cooked lunches on our very busy parent/teacher conference days. Thank you PTA members—your thoughtfulness was much appreciated.

Lastly, please have students bring warm clothes to school. Winter is here and students need hats, gloves, boots, warm coats and snowpants. We go out to recess down to -10° F. Please label student’s gear with their full name, grade and teacher. If we know whose gear it is, we can avoid the lost and found.

David Christal  
Principal  
Klatt Elementary School



**RECESS /LUNCH SCHEDULE**

**KINDERGARTEN and K/1**

Recess 10:45 – 11:05

Lunch 11:05 – 11:30

**FIRST GRADE**

Recess 11:05 – 11:25

Lunch 11:25 – 11:45

**SECOND GRADE**

Recess 12:20 – 12:40

Lunch 12:40 – 1:00

**THIRD GRADE**

Recess 12:25 – 12:45

Lunch 12:45 – 1:05

**FOURTH GRADE and 4/5**

Recess 11:50 – 12:10

Lunch 12:10 – 12:30

**FIFTH GRADE**

Recess 11:40 – 12:00

Lunch 12:00 – 12:20

**SIXTH GRADE**

Recess 11:15 – 11:35

Lunch 11:35 – 11:55

*Breakfast and lunch menus are available at [www.asdk12.org/studentnutrition](http://www.asdk12.org/studentnutrition)*

Klatt Elementary will be participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program for the 2018-2019 school year. All enrolled students at Klatt are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at Klatt at no cost to you or your household. Your child will be able to participate without having to pay a fee or submit a meal application.

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UNA NOTA DEL DIRECTOR

Queridas familias de Klatt:

En primer lugar, quiero agradecer a todos por todo su gran apoyo. Klatt actualmente tiene un 95.48% de asistencia, lo cual está por encima de nuestra meta escolar del 95%. El mes pasado, Klatt tuvo un porcentaje de 2.27% más alto que el pasado octubre. Esto quiero decir que los estudiantes han asistido a la escuela por aproximadamente 100 días más en solo un mes en comparación con el año pasado. La siguiente cita de attendworks.org explica por qué sus esfuerzos son tan importantes:

"Un estudio de California descubrió que solo el 17 % de los estudiantes que estaban ausentes crónicos tanto en el jardín de infantes como en el primer grado estaban leyendo con soltura en el tercer grado, en comparación con el 64% de los que asistieron bien".

También quiero agradecer a los maestros, padres y estudiantes por su participación en las conferencias. Este fue un buen momento para que todos hablen sobre el progreso en la escuela, los amigos de sus hijos y cómo desarrollar estrategias para superar los desafíos. Ahora que las conferencias han terminado, recuerde revisar Parent Connect para obtener actualizaciones sobre el progreso de sus hijos en la clase. Además, no dude en comunicarse con nuestro personal a través de llamadas telefónicas y correos electrónicos. Como padre, usted desempeña el papel más importante en la educación de su hijo. Nuestra escuela está aquí para ayudarle.

Klatt es una escuela muy afortunada de tener un PTA(Parent Teacher Association) tan motivado y trabajador este año. El PTA dedicó una tremenda cantidad de tiempo y esfuerzo al éxito del festival de otoño de este año. Quiero agradecer a todos los que participaron en hacer de este un gran festival de otoño. Fue genial ver a tantas familias venir y apoyar a nuestra escuela. Además, este mes nuestros maestros y personal disfrutaron de deliciosos almuerzos hechos en casa durante los días de conferencias de padres y maestros. Gracias a los miembros del PTA, su consideración fue muy apreciada.

Por último, por favor haga que los estudiantes traigan ropa de invierno a la escuela. El invierno está aquí y los estudiantes necesitan sombreros, guantes, botas, abrigos y pantalones de nieve. Salimos a recreo a -10 ° F. Por favor escriba el nombre de su hijo en todos sus pertenencias. Si sabemos de quién es la ropa, podemos evitar que se pierda.

David Christal  
Director de escuela

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**IMPORTANT DATES****November 1**

*PTA board meeting 6 PM*

**November 4**

*Daylight savings time ends—  
Fall back!*

**November 12**

*Monday  
No school—teacher in-service*

**November 15**

*Annual Turkey Shoot basketball  
competition -5:30 – 7:30*

**November 22 & 23**

*No school—Thanksgiving holiday*

**November 30**

*Movie night*

**December 6**

*PTA meeting 4 PM*

**December 7**

*Family craft night 6:30 PM*

**December 18**

*Band/orchestra concert 2:30*

**December 21**

*No school—teacher in service day*

**December 24 until****January 7**

*Winter break*



This month in Mr. Schmidt's Elementary Health Class, your child will study body systems. Talking about each lesson at home will help him/her to remember it.

**KINDERGARTEN** students will learn about The Five Senses. At your family dinner, why not talk about the senses? Ask your child to describe what the food on their plate tastes like (salty, sweet, etc.). What do the foods smell like? Which foods are hot and which are cold? For more activities, the website link for the parent bulletin for kindergarten grade level:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B1NaDvxnwkBmcEU4djhBdVhBbDA>

**FIRST GRADE** students will learn Head to Toe. Spend time talking with your child about healthy things that can be done for the lungs, heart, and brain. Take time to identify each healthy habit and the body part that is helped. Perhaps when taking a walk, explain that the activity is good for the lungs and heart. For more activities, the website link for the parent bulletin for first grade level:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B1NaDvxnwkBmejl1UUJfVUIxQIE>

**SECOND GRADE** level students will learn about How You Think. When your child is able to think creatively, he/she will be better able to find solutions to problems. For fun ideas to help inspire your child's imagination the website link for the parent bulletin for second grade:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B1NaDvxnwkBmNF9aS1JrYVBiQzA>

**THIRD GRADE** students will discover The Better to See You. There are lots of great websites containing health information for you and your child. The website link for the parent bulletin for third grade has more information

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B1NaDvxnwkBmSXIXOVqUfNObWs>

**FOURTH GRADE** students studied Teeth and Dental Hygiene. Please post the page you can find at this website in your home and follow the daily activities along with your child.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B1NaDvxnwkBmNWVSU2pGQk1UWjQ>

**FIFTH GRADE** students will learn about Brainstorms—Your Central Nervous System. The students will learn that the brain can become so quick at certain functions that they are done without thought. The website link for the fifth grade parent bulletin is

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B1NaDvxnwkBmZ1MyR1g1azEtYmM>

**SIXTH GRADE** students will learn about Cells.

After studying all the lessons in school, your child should be able to figure out these riddles.

1. I'm a string of genes with three O's in my name. What am I?
2. I'm at the center of each little cell. What am I?
3. I'm a little bundle of energy—you might even call me a "cell battery." What am I?

For more riddles and answers, the website link for fifth grade is

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B1NaDvxnwkBmTE1oZWxuNFUxMW8>





## Canned Food Drive

Klatt Elementary Student Council is organizing a food drive to meet a community need for Food Bank of Alaska during the month of November. Every 1.2 pounds of food we collect is the equivalent of a meal for one person. There will be red collection bins near the office at school for nonperishable items. Most wanted food items are:

**CANNED PRODUCE**—Spinach, mixed vegetables, tomatoes, tomato sauce, fruit packed in water or light syrup

**DRIED FRUITS**

**DRIED MEATS & BEANS**—Dried kidney, pinto and navy beans, split peas, lentils

**WHOLE GRAINS**—Quinoa, rice, pasta

**CEREAL**—low sugar, Rolled oats and instant oatmeal

**PREPARED MEALS**—Low-sodium soups and stews, pop-top meals for kids, kid-friendly healthy snacks

**CANNED PROTEINS**—Tuna, chicken, pork

**NUTS AND BUTTERS**

**MILKS**—Powdered and shelf-stable milk, almond milk, soy milk

Items can be sent in with your child or you can bring them by the office. Thanks so much for your generosity.



## Noon Supervisors Needed

We are currently looking for noon duties to help with supervision of students during recess and lunch. The hours are from 10:45 AM until 1:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

If you are interested in this position, please visit [asdk12.org](http://asdk12.org), click on the Employment Link on the right side of the page, and then select Classified Positions to access an application. Please let our front office know of your interest, so our principal, Mr. Christal, will look for your name.

### Klatt BLANKETS

Spirit Wear Blankets are available for purchase through our PTA. They are good quality, black with the red puma logo for \$18 (cash or check). Great holiday gift idea! Come by the school office to purchase.

### LOST & FOUND

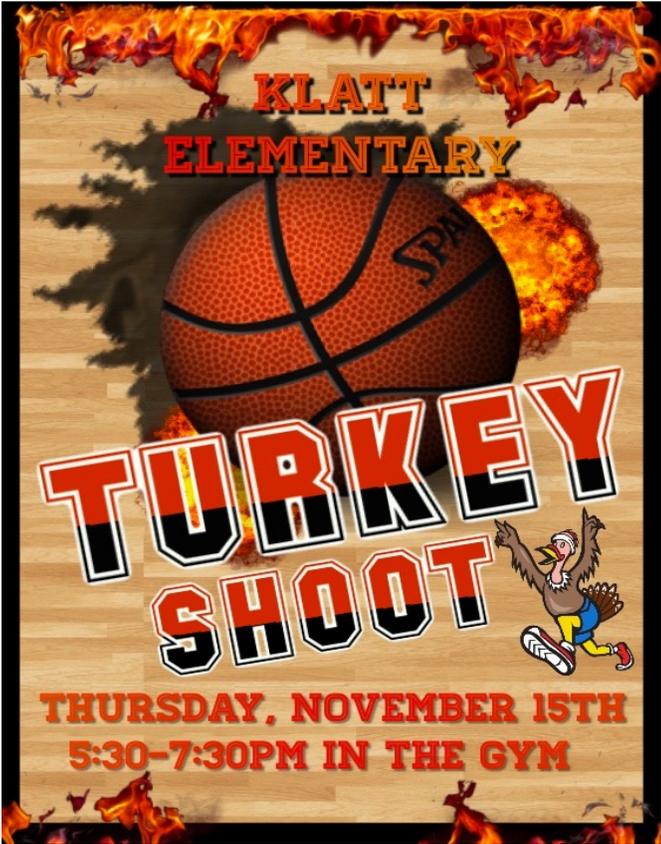
Our lost and found bin is filling up fast! It is located in the hall next to the front office. Please check it often—it typically fills up quickly. It is very helpful if you write your child's name on their winter/snow gear—we will check items for names before placing it in Lost and Found bin.

### WALKING TO SCHOOL

Our students who walk to school will walk in the dark for several months of the school year. Please have your child wear reflector tape on their coats and backpacks. Your child should travel to school in groups. Also, choose a school route and reaffirm with your child that this route should be followed. Student safety is a top priority at Klatt Elementary!

### SCHOOL STORE

Klatt Elementary Student Council will again raise funds by offering the school store on Wednesdays and Fridays during lunch time.



**Free registration at 5:30 P.M.  
GAMES begin at 5:45 in the GYM**

**Bring your gym shoes!**

Pre-Register each partnership  
(Student Name/Adult Family Member Name)  
Adults can register to shoot with more than one child

Students pair with parents (or ADULT family members) to shoot free throws  
Each person shoots 10 free throws

Groups based on child's age:  
Kinder & under; 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade;  
3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade; 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Teams that score the most combined baskets within each age group win a turkey!  
*You may keep the turkey or donate it to charity*

Prizes awarded for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers in each age group!

## Turkeys & Volunteers Needed!



- Please donate FROZEN turkeys
- Please bring frozen turkeys to school on the evening of Turkey Shoot—Thursday, November 15
- Return the bottom portion of this note or send an email if you will be donating a turkey (so we know how many to expect)

Questions? Contact Mrs. Jennifer Wilhelm at [wilhelm\\_jennifer@asdk12.org](mailto:wilhelm_jennifer@asdk12.org) or (907) 742-5750 after 3:30

----- CUT OR TEAR -----

### TURKEY SHOOT PRE-REGISTRATION

*Give to Mrs. Wilhelm by 11/14*

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT (or adult family member) NAME \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I will donate a FROZEN turkey

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I will volunteer to count free throws or register

**KLATT ELEMENTARY**



**Food Drive**

Non-Perishable Canned or Boxed Food  
 Nut butters, Dried fruits, Shelf stable milk, Canned fruits,  
 Canned Svegetables, Beans, Cereals, Rice, Noodles

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 have a very enjoyable  
**THANKSGIVING** holiday together!




**WINTER  
BREAK**

December 21st-January 6th  
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 Last day of Quarter 2  
 December 20th  
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