



Principal's Corner



Chris Opitz, Principal

Dear Taku Families,

It was so great to see so many of you at conferences. Thank you for being involved in your child's education.

Winter is here. Please be sure to send your student with winter gear. We go outside for recess every day for 30 minutes. If you need assistance, please call or email.

We continue to focus on attendance. We are improving, but we have work to do. Please have your student in school every day, on time, and ready to learn. It will make a big difference in their growth.

It is an honor to serve the Taku community. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email anytime.

All the best,
Chris



**October Student of the Month
Lunch!**

**Taku Staff
Spirit
Week Fun!**





Nurse's Note



Laura Beckett, Nurse

Flu and cold season is upon us!! There are several nasty ones going around Anchorage and the schools. If your child is sick please have them stay home until they are feeling better. You are always welcome to call the nurse if you have any questions.



November Features

STUDENT COUNCIL BEGINS THIS MONTH!

Student Council is a group of student leaders who represent and participate in the growth of the school. Be prepared to see and hear great things from them!



Photos
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Byron
Corral.



Family Literacy Night Oct. 2022



Thank you for joining us!

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Tiger Tales

The Bulletin Board



Joy Gordanier, Admin. Asst.

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Taku Families,

We are so grateful for each and every one of you!

Enjoy the snow, the Thanksgiving Holiday, and time with your families!

~ The Office Ladies ~



Tigers it's cold outside!
Please send your students to school with snow gear!



- ❖ Early Arrival: No earlier than 8:40am
- ❖ Early Pick-Up: No later than 3:15pm
- ❖ Please report absences through parent connect
- ❖ Remind your students to keep toys at home
- ❖ Students who have cell phones must keep them off during school hours

TAKU

Interested in Volunteering at Taku?

We'd love to have you!
Please visit:

<https://www.asdk12.org/Page/13771> to fill out the application!

TIGERS



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Library



Happy early winter, all -

Autumn seems to have passed so quickly! In October, we learned all about the genre of Mystery, and in November, we will be studying Historical Fiction.

Thank you SO much for all your support of our students in meeting their reading goals for our Read-a-Thon! We're having a great time becoming ever-better readers.

Sincerely, Ms. Johnson



Music



Hello Taku families! We are learning and having so much fun in music class. We have been focusing on singing, reading rhythms, and playing instruments. Taku Tiger musicians are awesome!



PE



Our Healthy Futures program began in September. This program encourages kids to be physically active for at least 60 minutes a day and then log it on the exercise logs. Students can get incentives for doing at least 15 days in the month and turning in the log.

K-3 Logs came home

4-6 Logs stay in PE Class

Gym Shoes:

- Reminder: your student needs a clean, non-marking pair of gym shoes to leave at school for PE class.

Thank you, Mrs. Washington



Art

First quarter was full of art! Art is a great opportunity for kids to explore, engage, stretch their minds and even experiment with paints, shapes, glue, ways to cut and more. My style of teaching gives students a lot of decision-making and artistic choice. Sometimes it's a little messy and the results can be unexpected. That's good. Kids often learn more from figuring things out on their own than they do from perfect directions with me. I love to see their skills growing! --Ms. Feucht

Health

Welcome to Health class! We have just wrapped up our unit on Nutrition and will be examining Healthy Habits together in Unit 4 including heart and lung health, asthma and allergies.

Be safe, Be kind!

Katrina Hill Rhodes



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November Calendar



NOVEMBER

SUN

MON

TUE

WED

THU

FRI

SAT

		1	2 Last day of Read-a-thon	3	4	5
6	7	8 - No School - work packet sent home for students - PTA Mtg 5:30pm	9	10	11 VETERAN'S DAY No School	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Picture Re-Takes & Class Pictures	19
20	21	22	23 Student of the Month Lunch w/Principal	24 THANKSGIVING Thanksgiving Holiday - No School	25	26
27	28	29	30			