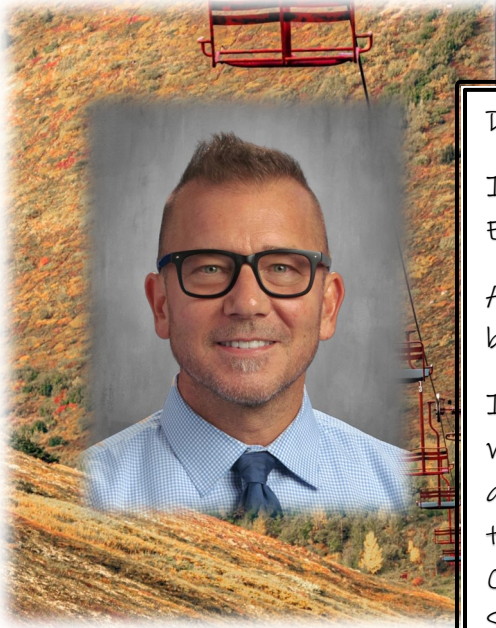




Principal's Corner



Chris Opitz, Principal

Dear Taku Families,

I hope this finds you well. Great things are happening at Taku Elementary!

As we roll into a new week please strive for 8:45 Drop Off. Thank you for being on time!

I'm excited to share with you our weekly attendance winners! Students who are in school every day on time for the week before are entered to win a fun prize. Winners are announced every Monday morning! Congratulations to our winners from the past week: Luke Armour, Isabella Malavanksy, Christian Pulis, Alaric Backford, Willow Perkins, Macie Enstice-Obrien, Sadrinalyn Maiava, and Joseline Cortez-Castaneda.

Parent-Teacher Conferences This Month & In-service Days

- Friday 10/21: In-service Day, No School
- Wednesday 10/26: Half Day, 12:30pm Dismissal for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Thursday 10/27: Half Day, 12:30pm Dismissal for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Friday 10/28: In-service Day, No School

FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

We are excited to announce a fun family event at Taku. Please join us for a fun night of activities, entertainment, and food.

What: Taku Family Literacy Night

When: Thursday, 10/20 (time TBD)

Why: Enjoy Games, Activities, Prizes, & Pizza!
Learn how to support your student's academic growth & success.

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Tiger Tales

Nurse's Note



Laura Beckett, Nurse

I hope you and your family got a chance to enjoy our beautiful fall!

This quarter students in grades preschool, kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th will be getting a vision screening. This is offered to us through the Lion's Club, who generously donate their time and equipment to make sure our students have great vision so they can succeed in school. Our screening is scheduled for October 12th. If your child wears glasses please make sure they bring them to the school that day.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me anytime!



October Feature

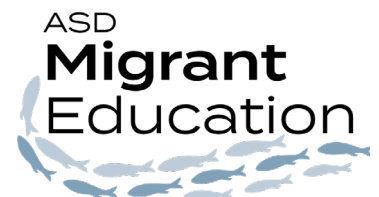
The Migrant Education Program (MEP) is always looking to recruit new families to our great program!

Do you go FISHING or BERRY PICKING in the summer?

Your Family May Be Eligible for the Migrant Education Program! The Anchorage School District Migrant Education Program strives to assist all eligible families by providing resources, services, and activities to help their students achieve their academic goals.

Visit the [MEP website](#) today to see if you qualify!

For more information about eligibility please call 742-4275 or email migrant_office@asdk12.org.



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The Bulletin Board



Joy Gordanier, Admin. Asst.

Alexia Rickard, Secretary



Welcome!

We are so happy to serve you and your students! We have met so many of our Taku Families already and it has been so great getting to know each and every one of you!

~ The Office Ladies ~



Weather Alert:

Fall is upon us and winter around the corner!

Please make sure you send appropriate weather gear with your students to school!



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!

- ❖ 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

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Taku Specialist News

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Library



Hello, All -

Welcome to a new school year at Taku Elementary School. I'm thrilled to be our school's library media specialist! My chief aims with students are to inspire literature appreciation, and instill a love of lifelong learning. My number one goal is that students will feel safe and happy in our library, and will associate it with enjoyment. I'm looking forward to this year with all of you.

Sincerely, Ms. Johnson

Music



Hello Taku families! My name is Ms. M and I am super glad to be back to teach all the Taku Tigers music. The music room is a safe and welcome place for all students to discover a love of music.



PE



This is my 21st year as the Taku PE teacher! I am excited to teach your students the skills to be life long movers!

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

This is my 9th year at Taku and I'm so excited to be back!

I teach art with a lot of student choice and creativity. Sometimes, we get a little messy. It's not the best day to wear a brand new shirt. Check below to learn your child's art day schedule.

Ms. Feucht

Monday: Ms. Ireys, Mr. Chatwell, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Walsh, Ms. Dodson

Tuesday: Ms. Wolkoff, Mr. Harvill, Mrs. Burnworth, Mrs.

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Events



Many Hands Make **LIGHT** Work

PTA Meeting

Tuesday, October 11th @ 5:30pm in Library



READ-A-THON

Read-a-thons actually get your reader excited about reading and give friends and family the opportunity to encourage your child to read even more.

Read-a-thon starts Wednesday, October 19th

About one week before our Read-a-thon starts, we will send home instructions on how to activate your reader's personal page. This is where you will be able to view and record their progress. We encourage you to activate your reader's account as soon as you receive the simple instructions.

We've chosen Read-a-thon because it will not take much of your time, gives your child a reason to read, and helps in the development of stronger reading skills.

We hope EVERYONE participates.



TAKU PICTURE DAY

Monday, October 10th

Order before Picture Day
on mylifetouch.com with
code: EVT6X9PBH

Family Event

Title 1 Family Literacy Night

Thursday, October 20th

Enjoy games, activities,
prizes and pizza!