

# MAY 2023 TIGER TALES

== TAKU ELEMENTARY · KAITLIN TALLMAN, PRINCIPAL ==



## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER, KAITLIN TALLMAN

Dear Taku Families,

The end of the school year is right around the corner, and GREAT things are happening at Taku!

**Our office staff is reaching out to parents about ASD's Summer Learning Program.** If your student qualifies, I highly encourage you to consider this opportunity. It could be the difference your child needs to catch up!

[Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Summer Learning Program Information](#)

[Middle School Summer Learning Program Information \(6th graders\)](#)

**Do you know your student's grades?** Is your child missing work? Parents can check their student's grades and work any time using Q Parent Connect. Login into [Q Parent Connect](#). You can also [Reset your Parent Password](#), if needed.

I want to give a huge shout out to our Taku Teachers and Staff as we celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week! I truly appreciate you all and the time spent supporting Taku students and families. The dedication and hard work displayed by our staff does not go unnoticed! Feel free to reach out to your teacher(s) this week to send them a kind note!

There are many upcoming field trips, assemblies, and events happening till the end of the year. If you would like to attend, please fill out the appropriate [Volunteer Form](#), or contact the office with any questions.

And last but not least, it has been a pleasure working with the Taku community the past semester, and I'm looking forward to next year!

Kaitlin Tallman  
Principal, Taku Elementary



## APRIL STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Pizza Lunch with Principal  
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## BEAR & MOOSE SAFETY ASSEMBLY

## PARKING LOT SAFETY

- Please remember to use the established drop off zone only when bringing students in the morning. Do not use the ice rink side to drop off students. We have a lot of students walking to school and it is unsafe to have cars going in and out of that area.
- When dropping off and picking up students please pull up all the way to the beginning of the line. We also ask that cell phones not be used during these times as we have a lot traffic and children in and out of cars. We want to make sure everyone is safe getting into the school and leaving it.

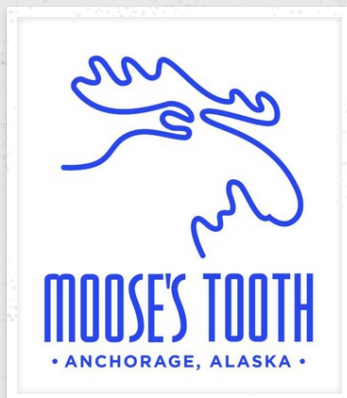
Thank you for your help in keeping our students and families safe!

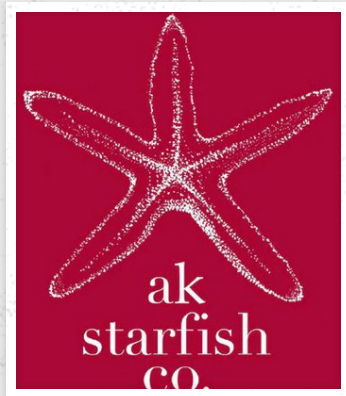
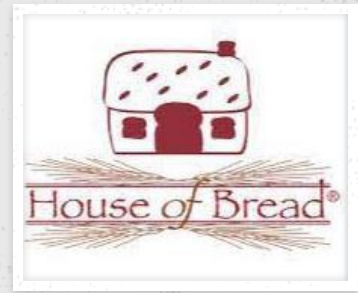


# May Features

## THANK YOU DONORS!

Thank you to all the businesses in our community who donated food and raffle items to our school in support of our hard-working Teachers and Staff for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week!







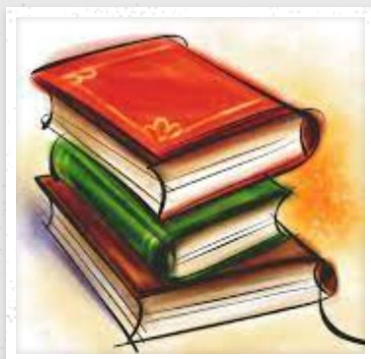
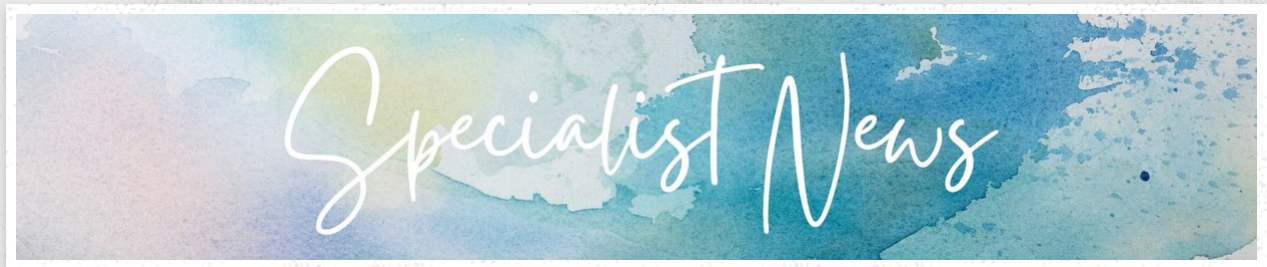


## YEARBOOKS & TAKU SWEATSHIRTS!

Yearbooks are available to order for \$15.00! PTA will be sending out the link to pay online by Monday 5/8.

We also have a limited amount of Taku sweatshirts available for purchase - Adult sizes only M, L, and XL. We don't have a lot, so it will be a first come, first serve basis! \$36 each.

Please contact our PTA President Laurel Olsen-Piscoya at 742-5940 if you would like to purchase a sweatshirt! Exact cash will be accepted.



## LIBRARY

Hello, Taku Families!

You are cordially invited to sign your students up for Anchorage Public Library's 'Summer Discovery 2023'!

Your students can join the fun as early as May 20th, from 12-4 pm, at the annual Reading Rendezvous. There will be free weekly events at every Anchorage Public Library location throughout June and July. Be sure to join the fun!

Ms. Johnson, Librarian

## MUSIC

Hello Taku families!

Hello Taku students and families. Speaking of families, we have been learning about the 4 instrument families in music. Woodwind, Brass, Strings, and Percussion families are considered families because the instruments are made of the same material and are played in similar ways. We have been practicing how to be responsible and respectful listeners when someone is performing on an instrument. It has been a great year teaching music to all of the Taku Tigers.



Sincerely,  
Ms. M, Music Teacher



## PE

### Physical Education News

#### Healthy Futures Log:

- Thank you to all who participated in Healthy Futures this year!

#### Bike to School Day:

- Wednesday, May 3rd.
- Wear your Helmet and Bike to school safely!
- Sign in at the table by the flagpole to be entered to win door prizes!

#### Gym Shoes:

- Please ask your student about their gym shoes!
- This time of year, shoes tend to get small, and they may need a new size.

## ART

In art, classes are finishing their clay artworks for the year. We want this work to get home safely. If you have any bubble wrap at home that you don't use, we could always use it in the art room.



Thanks!  
Ms. Feucht





## HEALTH

Welcome to Health class!

We have just wrapped up our unit on Substance Abuse and will be talking about Germs and Illness in Unit 8.  
Be safe, Be kind!

Katrina Hill Rhodes

## Important Dates

*Teacher &  
Staff*

*Appreciation  
Week*

*5/1 - 5/5*

**HELP US  
CELEBRATE  
AND THANK**

**TAKU  
TEACHERS**

**AND SUPPORT  
STAFF!**



## 5/6 - TEAM UP FOR CLEANUP!

- Taku Elementary School
- Festivities begin at 10am - 2pm Saturday, May 6th
- Come dressed appropriately for outdoor cleanup
- We'll provide the trash bags and non-latex gloves
- Contact Casey Chatwell at 742-5940 for more information



## 5/9 - PTA MEETING

5:00pm in the Library



## 5/22 - PRESCHOOL CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

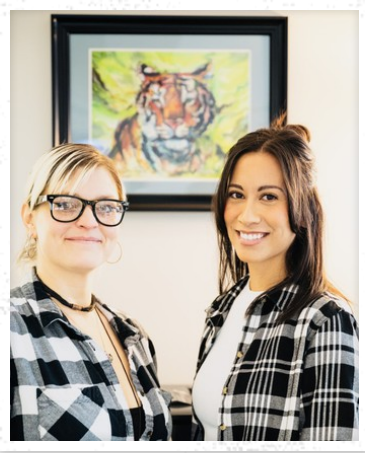
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## 5/23 - FIELD DAY (LAST DAY OF SCHOOL)

Sack lunches will be provided for students.





## THE BULLETIN BOARD, OFFICE LADIES

Taku Families,

School is almost out for SUMMER!

It was a pleasure getting to know our new Taku Families and our existing ones better! We hope you enjoy the last few weeks of school and all the adventures that this summer takes you on! We look forward to hearing all about your summer fun, when we return in the fall.

Sincerely,

Joy and Alexia  
The Front Office Ladies



## PTA VACANCIES FOR 23-24 SCHOOL YEAR

The following PTA positions will be vacant for the upcoming 23-24 school year:

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Teacher Representative
- Parent Volunteers

We would love to have you [join](#) the Taku PTA! If you are interested, please join us for the May PTA Meetings!





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