



Sterling Elementary

School News

February 2018

Watch DOGS are here!

So excited to have had such a great turn out at our Watch DOGS Dads and Kids Pizza Night. This nationally recognized program to encourage male role models from children’s families will be a great addition to the community of our school! Thank you to all of the fathers and father figures who attended and registered to volunteer! A special thanks to our mothers and mother figures who supported their children and ‘dads!’

Looking forward to Mochas and Muffins with our moms on March 8th!

Sincerely, Mrs. Kelly, Principal

“Once you replace negative thoughts with positive ones, you’ll start having positive results.” Willie Nelson



Coming Soon at Sterling Elementary

- February 5 Board of Education Meeting– 6:00 pm
- February 7 Early Release—Students released at 2:05 pm
ALICE Drill #2—more details within this newsletter
- February 7-8 Parent Teacher Conferences
- February 8-9 No school for students
- February 9 PTA Winter Carnival - open to the public—5-8 pm
- February 16 School Forensics Competition—Grades 4-6 starting at 9:30 am
- February 21 KPBSD Budget Meeting at Soldotna High at 5:30 pm
- February 22 PTA Meeting—4:00 pm in the library –childcare provided!
- February 24 District Forensics Tournament at Tustumena Elementary
- February 27 Skyview Middle visits Sterling—6th grade parents welcome—
10:00 am in the library





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6th Graders Transitioning to Skyview Middle School

Mrs. Natalie Kant, Skyview Middle School counselor, will accompany Principal Sarge Truesdell to our school on February 27th at 10:00 am to register our students for middle school.

We welcome 6th grade parents to attend this registration process if you are available. Registration will take place in the library.

Site Council Updates

The Sterling Elementary Site Council discusses school policies and needs. We meet once per quarter, and our meetings are open to the public.

Our next meeting is April 19, 2018 at 4:00 pm in the library.

In-Services

Our next staff in-service is on February 7th, which is an **early release day**. We also have an in-service on February 9th. We will continue to focus on personalizing student learning and creating our positive school culture!

Remind Messaging System

All of our parents should be receiving messages through our Remind Messaging System. You do not need to have the Remind app, but you do have to be able to receive text messages or emails.

We have sent **MANY** whole school messages. If you have never received a message from Remind, please call our school office so we can make sure that we have the right information for you!

Parent Teacher Conferences...

Conferences are this week! If you don't have a conference set-up yet, please contact Ms. Debbie!

February 7th is **early release** and students are out at 2:05 pm.

There is **no school** for students on February 8th and 9th.

Please send your children with their winter gear! It is still cold outside and students go outside to recess until it is colder than -10 degrees.

If you need help with snow pants, coats, gloves or hats, please let our office know! We can help!!





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ALICE Safety Drill

Our second ALICE Safety Drill is scheduled for February 7th. During this drill, students and their teachers will work together to determine if the situation is safe to evacuate the building or if they need to "stay put" in their classrooms. This will be a dynamic drill, meaning that participants may change what they decide to do based on the information that they receive.

Please help us to remind our students that the first step in an emergency is always to freeze and listen for directions or information.

Sterling Elementary loves volunteers!

Everyone (parents, staff, members of the public) interested in being a school volunteer must complete an online form and agree to a background check (only criminal activity will be checked). All information is kept confidential by the district office.

To complete the screening process, visit the District's web page at www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us >click on Volunteers > find Sterling >click apply.

All who wish to volunteer must be approved to volunteer in advance of any activity. The delay in approval can be 10 days or more, so apply early. Your help in keeping all our children safe while also supporting our school by volunteering is greatly appreciated!

February 9th

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm PTA Winter Carnival

Loads of fun, food and friends!

It's luau themed to take our minds off this cold weather!

Classroom teachers are still seeking donations for raffle baskets.

We also need volunteers to help set up, work the carnival, and to clean up! (must be approved volunteer)

Call us today!!

