

Students Put Up A Valiant Effort!

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During the week of February 9th to 12th, some of the students at our school competed in the district Battle of the Books. For those of you unfamiliar with this competition, the students read books from a designated list, learn the title and author of each book as well as preparing to answer comprehension questions. At the battle, the teams compete by teleconference, writing down the answer to the question asked. They have 30 seconds to answer. When time is up, each team says their answer and if correct, are awarded points, five for the title and three for the author. There is a total of 16 questions. If there is a tie, the teams compete in a tie-breaker, with the first team to go ahead winning.

The kindergarten team consisted of Jeremy Salmon, Shayna Nelson, Angel Alvarez, and alternates Jacob Askoak and Alicia Zackar. They battled against Chignik Lake's team and had a close competition, losing by only two questions. Mrs. Thurston said they did an incredible job working together in their first experience at this.

Our third graders, Jon Salmon and David Alvarez, competed on the three/four level. Their first competition was against Chignik Bay, whom they defeated. They advanced to the first round of the district finals against Chignik Lake and won the battle. They then battled against Port Alsworth for the championship. Jon and David came in second for our district.

AlexAnna and Tanya Salmon competed against the fifth and sixth graders in the district. Their first battle was against Port Alsworth and Chignik Lagoon. At the end of the 16 questions, the girls were tied with Port Alsworth, which Igiugig won on the first question. They advanced to the district finals. They battled Egegik's team for the first round, whom they defeated. They then battled against Chignik Lake. It was a very close competition, with AlexAnna and Tanya winning by one question, and being declared the District champions. They will be competing in the state

championship on February 26th.

Ida also competed at the seven/eight grade level. She battled against the team from Kokhanok. Although she didn't win, she did put up a good effort as a one person team.

Congratulations to all of our students for participating! We will be looking forward to next year's Battle of the Books!

Label's Update

We are still saving and counting our labels. As of February 8, we had 1570 labels. We are trying to get 430 more by May 1st, so eat your Campbell's soup and drop off the label's in the box at the Post Office.

PFD Applications

Did you fill yours out yet? Don't forget to have yours completed and postmarked by March 31! Applications are available at the Post Office or at the Village Council office. If you need help filling yours out, stop by the office and see Bernadette or Sandy.

Carnival News

Don't forget to come to the 3rd annual R - Carnival on Saturday, March 7th, from 1:00 to 4:00pm! The kids will be getting their booths together, making signs, testing the difficulty of each others booths, and figuring out the number of tickets their booth will charge during this week. Ticket prices will be the same as last year, 25¢ each or 25 for \$5.00. The students will be selling concessions, raffle tickets for a round trip ticket on Pen Air from Igiugig to Anchorage, T-shirts, and will also be having cake walks with proceeds going to the student activity fund. It's going to be fun fun fun! So be sure to come to the school gym and test your skills!

Igiugig News & Notes

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REMEMBER!

Don't forget to check your fuel oil level! Freeze ups can be costly and cause a lot of damage to your water system! They are also inconvenient and time consuming!

LSAC News

The Local School Advisory Committee (LSAC) met at their regular time, 4 p.m. Thursday, February 19th. As usual there was a lot of good information and exchange of ideas.

The students have a number of fund raising projects going. Their yearbook project is well under way with a theme of working together. The kids request any pictures that people have of school activities for use in the yearbook. Just remember that they can't return the pictures that you donate, but they will appreciate all donations. T-shirts are also on sale by the students now for \$13, with sweatshirts being available soon too. See Christina or one of the other kids to buy early for the best selection of size.

Before the end of this school year we will be reviewing our local site Strategic Plan and community participation in this is very important. This helps determine the direction education will go locally.

Lots of fun things are coming up including: the kids next play "The Fisherman & His Wife" on April 3rd, a Cook Inlet Book Fair, a Health Fair and an Arbor Day celebration (including planting shrubs & trees around the village). So watch for flyers from the School to find out times and dates.

"Open Gym" has been limited this year and we are looking for parents to volunteer to supervise on Saturday afternoons. If you are willing to volunteer please sign up on the sheet that is posted near the front door of the school.

The next meeting of the Igiugig LSAC is scheduled for March 26, 1998.

Danger!

Parents, be sure to keep a close eye on small kids this time of year. Spring is coming on so be sure to remind young children about the danger as ice begins to thaw and get weak. It is also a good idea to remind children that the Sewer Lagoon, the Electric Plant and the Fuel Storage area are all very dangerous places. Be sure that your kids know they are always off limits and no one should be playing around there.

Plan Reviewed

Sandy and Christina attended a Strategic Plan Review for Lake & Peninsula School District. The meeting was held at the Quinault Landing Hotel in King Salmon. Parents, Students and Teachers came from all parts of the District and spent time talking about the direction our schools are going in education of our young people.

Christina represented our Village very well and participated in all the workshop's. She even acted as the facilitator and presenter for some of the small group activities.

During the course of the meeting the mission statement was reviewed and remains the same as when it was formulated three years ago:

"The mission of the Lake & Peninsula School District is to develop self-directed problem solvers who are excited about learning, technologically literate, and secure in their heritage; we will accomplish this in partnership with parents and the community in a safe, secure, and stimulating learning environment characterized by:

- a Personal Education Plan for each student
- student - teacher teamwork
- alternative strategies of teaching and learning
- the effective use of technology"

In discussions about what we wanted from the School District, Nora White, from Egegik, reminded us that our kids are the future and that what we

provide them today (in education) will determine what our leaders are like tomorrow. Here are some things that other people have to say about education:

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire." -*William Butler Yeats*

"The single most important thing we can do for young children to encourage them to love learning is to read to them from the time they are babies." -*Joe Beckford (LPSD Superintendent)*

"Education is too important to be left solely to the educators." -*Francis Keppel*
... "That's why we have our partnership!" -*Bonnie Thurston (Igiugig Teacher)*

"Education is not what you know, but that you know where to go to find out what you don't know." -*Jeff Thurston (Igiugig Teacher)*

"When the student is ready the right teacher always comes along." -*Jeff Thurston (Igiugig Teacher)*

"Our progress as a nation can be no swifter than our progress in education." -*John F. Kennedy*

"If the teacher's working too hard, the students aren't working hard enough." -*Jeff Thurston (Igiugig Teacher)*

"The neighborhood's and school's that we shape eventually shape our children." -*Richard Louv (forwarded by Bernie Gurule, Igiugig Principal)*

"Education without meaning or excitement is impossible." -*Ansel Adams, American Photographer (forwarded by Bernie Gurule, Igiugig Principal)*

"The first years of a child's life are the most important, so be sure to read to your child." -*Bernadette Andrew*

"Education is empowerment." -*Dan Salmon*

"We can never teach our kids everything they need to know, but by teaching them "how" to learn on their own we will give them the most valuable tool they can have for the rest of their life." -Sandy Alvarez

"What sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to an human soul." -Joseph Addison

"During the first four years of life, children learn 50% of the things they will know in their lifetime." -author unknown

"Education is a crutch with which the foolish attack the wise to prove that they are not idiots." -Karl Kraus

"Education costs money, but then so does ignorance." -Sir Claus Moser

"Spoon feeding in the long run teaches us nothing but the shape of the spoon." -E. M. Forster

Do You Feel Like Scratching?

If you didn't already know, head lice is here. To help prevent the spread of lice, there are some precautions that you can take. Discourage sharing of hair brushes, combs, hats, head bands, ear or head phones, and "hair pretties" (rubber bands, scrungies, barrettes, etc.) Keep children in their own beds at home. Also, if you will be traveling to carnivals or other activities, be sure to take your own bedding that you will need. In the morning be sure to roll it up so no one will be sitting or playing on it. Also, protect your hat and gloves by keeping them separate from others. Put them in the sleeve of your coat when you take them off.

If you suspect that you have gotten lice, be sure to go to the clinic to get checked. The health aide's will be able to assist you with treatment. The village council has Nix shampoo and metal combs on order, and should be available for purchase soon. If you would like anymore information on this, informational handouts are available at the clinic or council office.

Clinic Dates To Note

The audiologist will be here on March 9th and 10th. Dr. Powers will be here March 18th to 20th. Call the clinic to make an appointment if you need to be seen.

Just to let you know in advance, we have a new dentist, Dr. White from Dillingham. He will be here May 4th to 8th.

Save Your Pop Cans!

The community activity fund recently received a check for \$52.50 for aluminum cans that were sent in. Thanks to all the kids who joined the can squisher's club this past fall! Please continue to save your aluminum cans and place them in the white shed at the dump.



March Birthdays

Gabe Gust	March 6
Jonathan Salmon	March 21
Jeff Thurston	March 22
Vassalisa Askoak	March 23
Murphy Nickoli	March 28

Happy birthday to all!



Do You Know Where Your Dog Is?

Just a reminder that according to village council policy, ALL dogs are to be kept on the owner's property, either tied, fenced, or otherwise restrained. There have been a lot of dogs roaming around. So please make sure you are not violating the policy by letting your dog be loose.

There has also been a lot of barking lately, especially at night. Please try to control the noise level of dogs. Everyone will be very appreciative of your efforts.

SCHOOL NEWS

School Surveys

Thank you to all who participated in completing the School Survey. Your input helps our school stay in tune with your needs and wants. We were short one survey, so the students had a Battle of the Books celebration with Mr. Gurule and ice cream bars.

We still need you!

Parent/Community Opinion Survey of Teachers are still available in the school entry. There is no immediate deadline, so please, if you haven't done so, pick one up.

Spelling Bee

Congratulations to AlexAnna Salmon! She is Igiugig School's winner of our Spelling Bee for students in grades 3 - 8. She will be competing again this month in the district wide Spelling Bee. AlexAnna, keep on spelling!

BOOK FAIR

Make plans to attend Igiugig School's Book Fair. The tentative dates are March 24 and 25 at the school. Times will be announced. There will be a wide selection of books for all ages. All proceeds from this sale go to our student activity fund.

Check These Out!

IGIUGIG T-shirts are for sale at school. Check out our display in the school entry. Cost is \$13.00 for a T-shirt. Sweatshirts will soon be available. All proceeds from these sales go to our student activity fund.

Classroom Donations

Thank you to Sandy Alvarez and Renae Zackar for their recent donations to the elementary classroom. Sandy gave our

class some great sticker books and Renae gave our class a set of Golden Books. The students are enjoying these new additions.

At The R - Carnival

Students will be selling pop and snacks at the R - Carnival. The proceeds go to the student activity fund. So come ready to play and have a snack that benefits our students!

Thanks!

We appreciate Bernadette! She is the coach for the District winning 5/6 Battle Book Team of Igiugig School. Your efforts are really appreciated by both students and staff. Thank you!

STUDENT ARTICLES

Brushing Pays Off

by Christina Salmon

Parents should participate in the brushing of their children's teeth. Many parents slack on this activity, which is why many young children have rotten teeth. Most cases of tooth decay could be prevented if teeth were properly cared for. Proper care also requires a good diet, as well as brushing after main meals, and regular dental check ups.

A good diet includes a variety of foods that provide nutrients needed by teeth and gums. Dentists urge people to eat less sugary foods because these foods promote tooth decay and toothaches. Foods that contain large amounts of sugar are candies, pastries, soda pop, many breakfast cereals, and sweetened canned fruits. Instead of these sugary foods more fresh fruits, vegetables, cheese, and nuts should be added to the diet. Also trade soda pop and Kool-Aid in for vegetable juices, milk, and water.

Young children need to learn how to brush their teeth at a young age. Dentists recommend brushing after every meal. Using dental floss once a day would control plaque around the gum line. Brushing your tongue helps get rid of

bacteria that leads to bad breath. Toothpaste's now have ingredients such as fluoride, baking soda, and peroxide to help protect your teeth after you are done brushing. Some toothpaste's even come in a variety of purposes. Some may say for tartar control while others say for cavity protection, but none of them work unless you're using them.

Studies suggest a dental check up at least once a year. In case a cavity is forming, the dentist can stop it before it gets any worse, and starts to cause other serious problems. During check ups the dentist examines your teeth, gums, and other tissues inside your mouth for signs of diseases or cavities. They may also X-ray the teeth and find the location of dental decay that cannot be seen. They may fill cavities or plan other treatment(s).

Brushing your teeth has many rewards: nice smelling breath, white teeth, healthy looking smile, a clean conscience knowing that you have strong healthy teeth, and you don't have to worry about cavities. You will also feel better about yourself and your appearance.

A Simple Soldier In A Harsh Struggle

by Christina Salmon

Mother Teresa left the battle but the war continues. She fought for the hungry comforted the sick, distributed clothes to the poor.

She worked devotedly to shelter the homeless, feed the starving, and assist the needy.

A Catholic saint who never wed, she spent her life, seeing that all were fed.

Mother Teresa was a gallant soldier, constantly battling for the ravenous, dispossessed, impoverished.

Mother Teresa was determined, to help deprived people; its our duty to continue her war for the destitute.

Trivia Questions

Here are some question's to test your knowledge. Answer's are on the bottom of the page. Good luck!

- A) What game challenges you double in and double out?
- B) Who created *Winnie-the-Pooh*?
- C) What's the only day named for a planet?
- D) Where was Simple Simon going when he met a pieman?
- E) What two flavors make mocha?
- F) What vehicles are raced in the *Tour de France*?
- G) What country's flag flies over the Canary Islands?
- H) What season begins the vernal equinox?
- I) What chessman makes an L-shaped move?
- J) What did the seven dwarfs do for a living?

- A) darts
- B) AA Milne
- C) Saturday
- D) to the fair
- E) chocolate and coffee
- F) bicycles
- G) Spain's
- H) Spring
- I) knight
- J) They were miners.

ACROSS

DOWN

- 1 Fuel
- 5 Punta del _____
- 0 Lump of dirt
- 4 Norse seaport
- 5 Trips
- 6 Actress Russo
- 7 Night without heat
- 0 Ceavour
- 1 Puts on a scale
- 22 Speak
- 23 Transgress
- 24 Gypsy horse
- 25 Merchantability
- 33 Regret again
- 34 Desert green spot
- 35 Kangaroo (sl)
- 36 Put this on a hook
- 37 Blame
- 38 A base for bacterial culture media
- 39 Bar entrance
- 40 Absurd
- 41 Run away to get married
- 42 Affection
- 45 Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (acr)
- 46 Web
- 47 Humiliate
- 50 Act with
- 53 British halfpenny
- 56 Abatis
- 59 A sound of distinct pitch, quality and duration
- 60 Jinn
- 61 Czarina of Russia (1730-40)
- 62 Singing brothers
- 63 Uniformity
- 64 Look at

- 1 To contend with difficulties
- 2 Occ. Safety Adm. (acr)
- 3 Very much (2 wds)
- 4 _____ Gatos, CA
- 5 Alcohol
- 6 Smut
- 7 Positive
- 8 Vary (French)
- 9 Certain curve
- 10 Ament
- 11 Gave temporary use
- 12 One time
- 13 Bambi for one
- 18 First in quality
- 19 Full weight to chest
- 23 Obscene material
- 24 Stride
- 25 Abandon
- 26 Constellation
- 27 Address
- 28 Heap of stones
- 29 Very small island
- 30 Plant disease
- 31 Adipose
- 32 Painful
- 33 Baseball stats
- 37 Smears with gum
- 38 Alight
- 40 Tanker
- 41 Actress Verdugo
- 43 Distinguishes flavors
- 44 Fisherman
- 47 Accomplished fact
- 48 Drum
- 49 Diary of _____ Frank
- 50 Affirm with confidence
- 51 Estate
- 52 Tennis's Nastase
- 53 Compact
- 54 Tops (2 wds)
- 55 Masticate
- 57 Gone by
- 58 Hebrew letter

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Puzzle page

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- Cavaliers
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- Nuggets
- Pistons
- Warriors
- Rockets
- Pacers
- Clippers
- Lakers
- Heat
- Bucks
- Timberwolves
- Nets
- Knicks
- Magic
- Sixers
- Suns
- Trail Blazers
- Kings

- Spurs
- Supersonics
- Jazz
- Bullets

answers to last month's crossword

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