Site Report – Tanalian School – September 2022

To: Superintendent Kasie Luke and LPSD School Board Members

From: Nate Davis, Principal

Outstanding Activities and Events

K-2nd grade students helped harvest potatoes and carrots from Mr. and Mrs. Davis' garden. And everyone got a gigantic carrot to eat as they walked back to school.











For extra credit Mr. Hummel had students bring in animal parts and pieces, or the whole thing, for a biology unit they are working on. Photos to hopefully follow someday as they are all in the freezer.

Student teacher Jessica Schimek is teaching K-12 art on Mondays this fall. One week she had students draw a picture, color part of it with crayons or colored pencils, then water color in the rest for mixed medium art.





Mr. Grossmann's 3rd grade student's gathered branches and pebbles to build log cabins as part of their history/geography class.



One of our teachers, Mrs. Patti Brock, had to go to Anchorage with her husband for medical treatment. Class Aide Sherri Davis stepped up to fill in the gap, as well as student teacher Rhema Del Campo. Teachers had their students write letters and draw pictures to cheer up Mr. Chris Brock's hospital room. And quite a few people gave love gifts to help offset the costs of their trip.



Personnel

We have two student teachers this fall – Jessica Schimek (HS) from New Paltz College, and Rhema Del Campo (K-2) from Liberty University. They are settling right in and building positive relationships with students. It's great to have returning teachers who know the ropes!

Standards Based System/Curriculum Progress

Teachers and students are off to the races teaching/learning standards, some pictured above.

Technology Progress

There was a surge of WiFi issues to welcome us back to school. Thankfully they seem to have been resolved and we are mostly online, with students and teachers able to accomplish their online requirements.

Facility Update

Tim McDermott, Carl Adams, and Marc Gibbs visited the school early in the month and took care of a variety of maintenance issues for us – replaced a window, did some cleanup. We are so grateful!

LSAC Activity

No one was able to meet in September, so our first meeting of the school year will be October 4.

Volunteer Report

We have a variety of willing souls to pitch in and for that we are grateful.

Professional Development

Teachers enjoyed Katmai Lodge Inservice as well as the extra work days near the beginning of the school year- it is a great calendar to start a new school year. Teachers are taking full advantage of Late Start Mondays to learn, grow, and collaborate with fellow teachers.

Pupil Attendance

Attendance is off to a pretty good start. There have been a few absences due to hunting and a cold/flu that caught a couple of us.

Student and Staff Safety

It appears everyone is safe, but there is recent evidence a bear may be roaming the village. Hopefully it will wander up one of the mountains to find a winter den, as the snow has already begun creeping down.

Subsistence Calendar

Salmon processing, moose hunting, and berry picking went well this fall- though a little lean on blueberries. As always there was enough salmon and moose to share with those who couldn't get what they were after.

Other



We finally got some rain! Yay!