

April 2016 Board Report Thorne Bay School

We have had another busy month here at Thorne Bay School. The State made us aware that the **AMP Testing** had been cancelled for the year. We still have MAP testing that will take place in May.

We celebrated **Autism Awareness Month** at our school. We had a presentation at the start of the month that we showed our students and then wore Blue to show our concern and support for those dealing with Autism.

I had the opportunity to take 8 students to Juneau to the **Mining Class tour**. I was very impressed with the content of the tour and the information that was given to the students. 5 students from Thorne Bay, 1 student from Naukati and 2 students from Port Protection. The students were all well behaved and learned a lot. The trip was very beneficial to the students and opened up a whole new line of opportunities for them to consider for schooling and their future careers.

We are gearing up for **STEM week** and are excited to have the other students from the district here in Thorne Bay. Mr. Higson has planned some great activities for all the students to participate in and get to know other students and gain from those relationships. We anticipate 3 great days of learning, fun and adventure as we prepare for this grand event!

We are preparing Emergency Buckets for each classroom in the event that we had to lock down the classrooms for safety and protection of the students and staff. Each bucket would have supplies to handle minor emergencies and needs. First Aid supplies, snacks, drinking water, emergency blankets and temporary toilet if necessary. We hope we would never have to use these buckets but will be prepared if the need arises. We appreciate Christy Plate for getting these items and assembling them for the classrooms.

Our two Power Students for the month (one for middle school and one for the high school) were nominated and voted on by the Teachers. We have done this for each month we have been in school. These are posted in our Hallway for recognition. At the end of the year each month's names are then voted on by the teachers for a Power Student of the year award.

Submitted by: Principal Alan Schwab