

## **Thorne Bay School Board Report**

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February has already been full of activities and education. Five students started the mining Class that meets Mondays and Wednesdays. This course will provide them with one high school credit and three college credits. The class will end in April and the students will get to travel to Juneau and tour one of the mines there. What a great experience for these students.

On February 5th and 6th, the Wolverines played host to Yakutat Eagles who brought most of their school to play our girls and boys basketball teams. Our visitors were very well behaved and really got along well with students of all ages at our school. The Wolverines were victorious in the boys games and the sportsmanship by both the girls and the boys teams was a sight to behold. We will host Skagway on February 13th and 14th and then will complete league play on the 23rd with a home game against Hydaburg. Regionals will be played in Sitka at Mt. Edgecumbe high school on February 28th - March 3rd.

Red Tide Wrestlers completed their season on Saturday February 10th at Klawock gym. State archery will be held February 17th at Thorne Bay. Good luck to all those participating. Middle school Volleyball will officially start on Monday February 19th.

Battle of the Books will be held at Thorne Bay School on February 13-15. Grades K-2 and 3-4 will be on Tuesday, Grades 5-6 and 7-8 on Wednesday and Grades 9-12 will be on Thursday. Good luck to all those students who have read, studied and prepared.

We will be starting our MAPS testing in the last week of February and completing the tests on the first full week in March. Our teachers have been working hard to make sure the students are ready for these tests.

As a fun activity in the math class, Mr. Gunkel was asked by a student if they could roll a big snowball outside. Mr. Gunkel seized the moment and had the students check what the world record was for a Snowball; he also taught them how to figure out several mathematical equations for volume, circumference etc. Before he knew it, he had the entire High School and Middle school involved and they created over a 7ft snowball in the field down below the school. It wasn't quite the world record but a lot of fun and learning had by all.