

Site Report – Chignik Lake – March 2021

**To: Superintendent Ty Mase
and LPSSD School Board Members**

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Outstanding Activities and Events

In like a lion, out like a lion! Lots of work to do and lots of work gettin' done.

March started out a bit woozy as most of the staff received their second dose of the covid vaccine. After a full recovery, we were all back on track.

Most of the month was spent working hard on proficiency of standards. We did manage to squeeze in some additional activities to enrich our learning. We welcomed the Department of Fish and Wildlife to learn more about Alaskan birds. Afterwards, we spent time designing entries for the annual calendar contest. One of our students won the K-2 poster contest!

We ended the month participating in a virtual field trip to the Anchorage Museum. The trip was called "Soundscapes." Students listened to what landscapes sounded like all around Alaska. After our tour, we went outside and practiced listening to the beautiful landscape outside our school.

Personnel

Flexibility continues to be a key word every month. We have had staff in and out of school due to medical and quarantine reasons. We've had students going from in-person to isolation due to family quarantines. Everyone has been great about pitching in to cover any job to support our all of our students.

Standards Based System/Curriculum Progress

Students are continuing to work hard to meet their current year standards.

Technology Progress

All is functioning well. We just finished swapping out old laptops and iPads with new ones.

Facility Update

All maintenance issues have been reported. No urgent issues are pending. We are really hoping new gutters to replace downed gutters will be installed over the school doors. We have had water dripping onto our boardwalks and freezing into slippery ice fairly regularly this spring.

LSAC Activity

The LSAC met on March 10th. See the LSAC report for details. The next meeting is scheduled for April 14th.

Volunteer Report

Volunteers have been staffing the library daily for screened students, community members and staff use. Jack Donachy has been continuing to volunteer to teach chess to students from 3rd to 12th grade.

Professional Development

Lake teachers continue to collaborate to increase knowledge and effectiveness of instruction for a variety of curriculum.

Pupil Attendance

We currently have nine students enrolled and regularly attending.

Student and Staff Safety

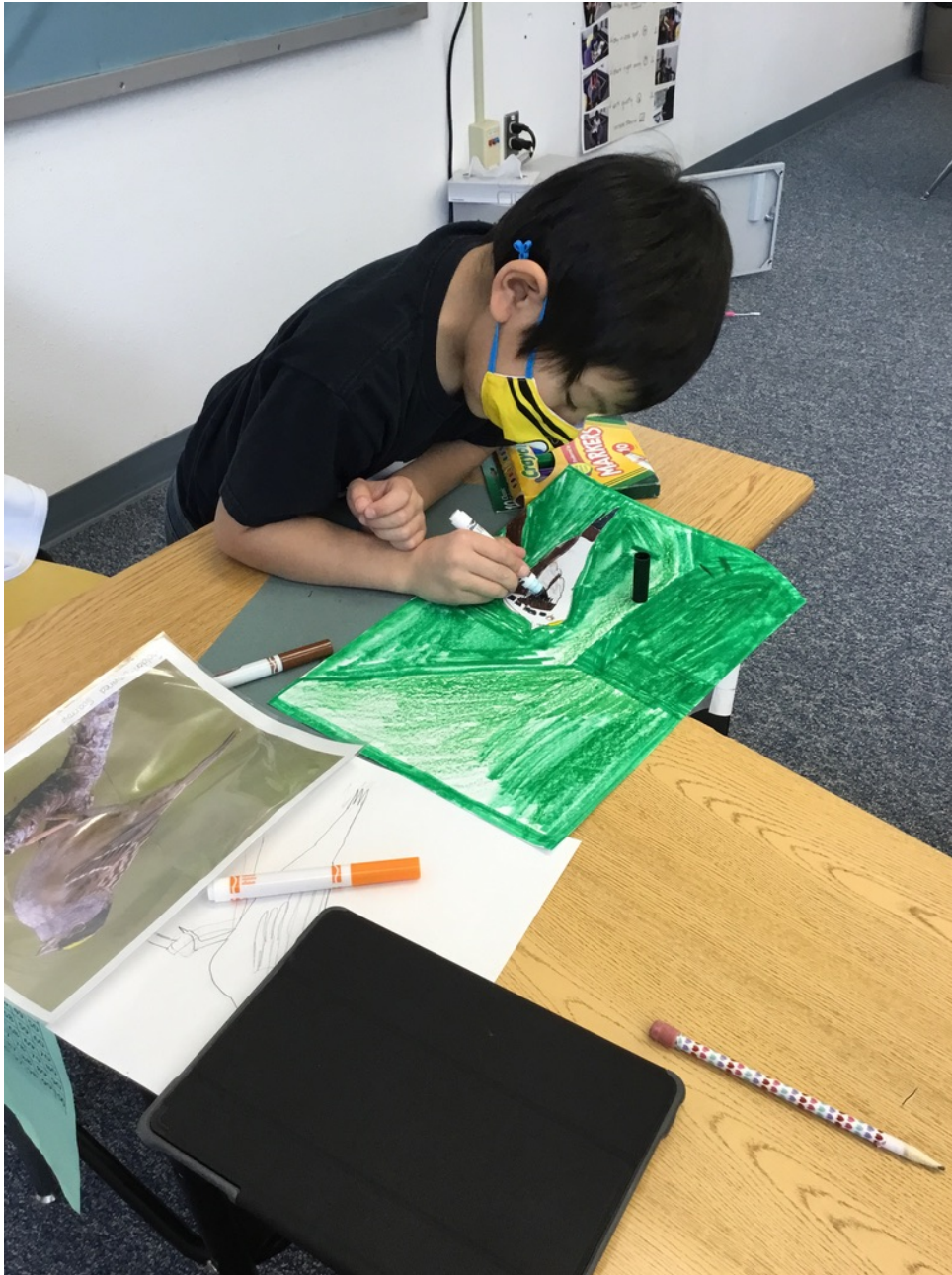
All staff and students have been careful in following safety protocols. All have been willingly participating in daily health screenings. Custodians have been regularly keeping our school sanitized and clean.

Subsistence Calendar

Students are still working hard within the calendar framework.

Other

Our after school “open” gym, for students who have been screened earlier in the school day, is still being well-attended.



Our K-2 poster winner creating his entry – a golden crowned sparrow. He’s now waiting to see if his entry will be selected for next year’s calendar.



Dreaming of spring flowers in the middle of a snowstorm.



Black capped chickadees are a favorite around here. This painting went along with a story about chickadees saving the day.



Soundscape at Chignik Lake. We heard magpies, eagles, chickadees, grossbeaks, Hondas, wind in trees, waves lapping, swings creaking, dogs barking. What a beautiful place – even with our eyes closed.