

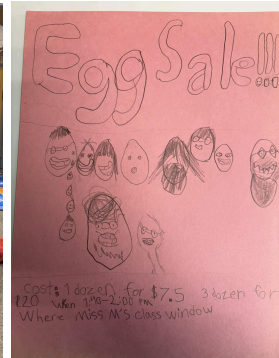
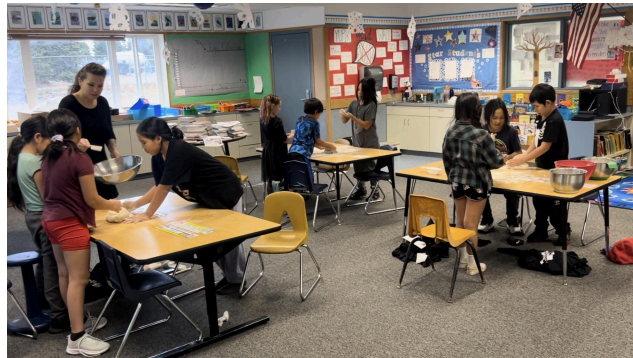
Site Report – Kokhanok – October, 2024

To: Superintendent Kasie Luke
and LPSD School Board Members

From: Colter Barnes, Principal

Photos & Description of Activities and Events





In no particular order/priority:

1. We hosted our 1st Annual Kokhanok Halloween Invitational Volleyball Tournament, which we're hoping to make a yearly tradition. Levelock and Igiugig brought a total of 13 players and 3 chaperones and we had a weekend full of intense volleyball, Halloween activities, food, laughter, and good sportsmanship all around. The dance on Friday night was a hit as well!
2. Halloween spirit week: Monster's Inc. day, crazy hair day, hat day, costume day, school colors day
3. Both elementary classes helped harvest potatoes (300 pounds) which have/will be served in our school lunch program. They also had "parts of a plant" and "plant identification" lessons.
4. Our flight simulator and airsoft rifles saw use in October and will continue to be utilized this year.
5. The KVC rented the gym and hosted their annual meeting (along with a NPS caribou presentation).
6. Our students are getting daily native language (both Yupik and Dena'ina) instruction
7. We are conducting daily (Amplify/mCLASS) interventions with our Tier 2 & 3 students.
8. Our district assessment coordinator (Moon McCarley) joined a weekly staff meeting and presented on MAP assessment data/reports. We will use this data to better inform and adjust instruction.
9. Becca & Kumi conducted district Child Find screenings

Personnel Update

K-1: Krista Hobson (Alum!, 2nd year in this position)

2-5: Marina McGourty (3rd year in this position, 2nd year as head-teacher, cross-country coach)

Secondary (6-12) Math & Science: Connor Romer (Alum!, first year teacher, Tech liaison, school pilot ;-)

Secondary (6-12) ELA & Social Studies: Kim Phillips (17th year as a teacher, student-government advisor)

Special Education: Kimberly Goode (20+ years in education, 2nd year in Alaska, BBRCTE liaison)

SPED Paraprofessionals: Agnes Mike, Moses Mike (P.E. too), Ona Wassillie, Seth Breazeale

Preschool Teacher: Amanda Norbert

Secretary & Cook's Helper: Irene Wilson

Cook: Peducia Andrew

Custodian & Bus driver: Leonard Cobb

Maintenance & Bus Driver: Johnny Mike

Nightgym Aide & Elder Lunch Delivery: Megan Klopp

Substitutes: Jolene Jackinsky, Laura Andrew, Nancy Wassillie, Tyrone Madrid, Ocky Mike, Tootsie Roehl

October Visitors: Patty McCasland, Kacy Lou Leyba, Kath Rutherford, Paulene Manning, Kumi Rattenbury, Becca Stenson, Lesa Meath. These itinerants provide so many opportunities and support for our students, staff, and community; thank you for all that you do!

Classroom Highlights

See Krista's October newsletter (attached).

Marina's class has been running an egg selling business. Students greet customers at the window and practice customer service and communication skills, complete cash transactions (make change), and write receipts and thank you cards. They also weigh the eggs to categorize them and keep a daily graph of how many eggs their chickens are laying (about 3 dozen a day).

Kim & Connor welcomed presenters from the Alaska Center of Energy and Power (ACEP), along with Connie Fredenberg, into their secondary classrooms. They taught lessons about micro-grids, meter reading, renewable energy (wind, solar, hydro), and other electricity basics. The week culminated with a tour of our incredible wind-diesel energy system led by Connie and our KVC President (and borough manager) Nathan Hill.

Our SPED teacher Kimberly Goode continues to check in and support our paraprofessionals, modify schedules to fit student needs, host IEP meetings, conduct individual and small group pull out instruction, facilitate speech therapy, communicate with parents on daily, and more. She's also our local BBRCTE liaison and even started a PEP Club (cheer squad).

LSAC Activity

President: Clint Rawls Vice-President: Megan Klopp Secretary: Krystle Hanson

Our second LSAC meeting of the year took place on Wednesday, October 23rd at 4:00pm in Ms. Phillips' classroom. One of our goals for this year is to increase community attendance (hence community voice!) at our meetings, so we've been offering transportation, food/refreshments, and providing a Zoom link to join from afar. We currently have 2 open seats and held an election this past Tuesday, November 5th. The results have not been released at this time, but we're excited to welcome 2 new members to the team!

Our November & December meetings are scheduled for 4:00pm on: 11/25, and 12/11



Community Engagement

Marlene Nielsen hosted numerous activities for our youth in the month of October. During the 3-day teacher inservice alone, she facilitated a craft night (with a focus on grass dance fan making), made halloween decorations outta found materials, and threw an evening picnic and bonfire down at the point. She has also been reading battle books on the weekends to our elementary students.

We started our elder lunch delivery program and are currently feeding 27 elders everyday. On Fridays we provide transportation to bring elders up to the school to eat lunch with our students. After lunch our entire school participates in Native Dance class and the elders watch (and are invited to participate).

Our Kokhanok Food-Service Committee reported that there has been \$7,600 and nearly 2,000 pounds of food raised so far. Their next meeting is on Tuesday, November 12th at 4pm in the library.

Professional Development

October saw a continuation of the professional development opportunities LPSD provides for our staff. Not only did we get to collaborate as a district during our inservice days (16th-18th), but we also had site and position specific training spread throughout the month.

1. Paulene Manning visited Kokhanok and now our entire staff (that works with children) is Crisis Prevention & Intervention (CPI) certified.
2. Ms. Goode supported all of our SPED paraprofessionals in completing their SafeSchools training.
3. We received our Naloxone/Opioid Overdose kit and all certified staff in Kokhanok completed the training that accompanies it.

Pupil % Attendance K-12

We currently have 37 students (K-12) and 5 preschoolers enrolled at Kokhanok School.

Our October attendance rate was 85%

Student and Staff Safety

Our staff received and got training on our new Emergency Response Quick Reference Guides.



CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

ms. krista's class

OCTOBER NEWS

This month was filled with different activities! Our class picked vegetables in Mr. Colter's garden. We started Battle of the Book practice. Beth came in and did a Yup'ik lesson. She taught us words for our facial features and gave us a game to play. Quyana to Colter and Beth for the opportunities! We had spirit week the last week of October. It was fun to see everyone dress up! We also enjoyed having the invitational volleyball tournament hosted here!

Just a reminder that it is getting cold out. Our students do have outside recess in the morning. Please send your child to school with warm winter gear (coat, snow pants, boots, hat, gloves) If you need any of the items please reach out to me and we can figure out a way to get the student what they need.

YUPIK PHRASES WE'VE LEARNED

Qigeikluki-Ilu ciulimeret- Respect your Elders
Kenekngamceci Qanratamceci- We talk to you because we love you.
Qanrukekuniu-Ili assirigerluni- Speaking about it makes one feel better.

Duyana Beth!



CLASSROOM CURRICULUM UPDATE

In math we studied: Kindergarten worked on counting collections, getting to know circles and rectangles, learning about ten frames, and number stories.

First grade we worked on decomposing numbers within 10, more counting on to add, labeling counts, change to less number stories, number models and finding unknowns.

Kindergarten reading we worked on identifying and isolating beginning sounds, learned what order/sequence mean, and learning rhyming. We also learned the High Frequency words: my, see and the.

First grade reading we worked on reading words with the short i sound, making words plural and when to use "s" or "es" and isolating initial sounds.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parent/Teacher Conferences November 21st and 22nd

Battle of the Books practice Thursdays at Ms. Krista's house at 4-5

Yuraq- Yup'ik Dance every Friday at 12:30 in Ms. Phillip's classroom, community is welcome to attend

