Highlighted School Report

Ipalook Elementary

Presented to the Board April 5, 2018

This has been a great year for Ipalook! We have a supportive SAC, a strong staff, amazing students and wonderful parents. With such a powerful team, we have been able to achieve strong academic growth, developed solutions for problem areas, and have fun activities. We will finish the year on a very positive note, and have plans for even more growth as a school community team next year.

SAC Support

The Barrow SAC has been a huge support to Ipalook. SAC members Justina Wilhelm and Stacy Bowen attended out Open House and supported our various activities. The entire SAC worked very hard to help us find solutions to bussing problems we had during the 1st half of the year and to brainstorm more solutions to bullying. In addition, they have supported and encouraged us as we implemented new programs to bring about higher achievement for our students. We can't say enough about how wonderful the support from our SAC has been, and how much we appreciate them.

Events and Activities

Junior Native Youth Olympics:

Coach Jamie Harcharak, Assistant Principal Cris Goldy, Assistant Coach Tim Taylor, and PE Teacher Monico Lugo along with parent chaperones Raymond Lambrect and Roselean Lisbourne took 26 elementary and 3 middle school students to the state JNYO competition in Anchorage. Our kids did well, with many making it through multiple rounds and several making it to the last round. 4th grader Zadah Unatoa won a medal for 5th place! All of the kids had a fantastic time. For most of them it was their first every trip out with a team. We want to thank the Borough, NVB and the School District for supporting this important event. Our kids have a taste now of what the state competition is like, and will be back for more. We also took the students to visit ANSEP, and have several who are interested in that program. In addition, we spent several hours at the Anchorage museum, and of course took in shopping, swimming and other fun activities.

The 29 students that attended are:

Jared Akpik	Blade Donovan Roy Hopson	Shawn Keovilayhong
Kaden Kignak	Jason Nowpakahok	Herman Solomon Jr.
Angelo Reyes	Jaylen Suvlu	Jaden Ahtuangaruak
Wayne Toovak	Quinn Acker	Greg Overbay
Andrew Kaleak	Camron DelaRosa	Craig Johnson
Zadah Unutoa	Aiga Unutoa	Faagi Unutoa
Lorene P. Kaleak	Dayna Olemaun	Adreanna Miguel
Cherish Tirre	Susan Kittick	Kate Tagrook-LambrechtDonna
Aveoganna	Hailey Tukle	Francis Tagrook-Lambrecht
Lena Leavitt		

Spring Parent Teacher Conferences:

We had a very good turnout for our spring parent teacher conferences. Our fifth grade had student led conferences, which was very successful and was well- received by parents.

Pennies for Patients:

We had a very successful Pennies for Patients fundraiser, to benefit research for Luekemia. Our students had a great time collecting pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters (and sometimes even cash)! We collected thousands of dollars and the need to count the money provided great relevant practice in classifying, counting, and totaling money. The class raising the most money was Mrs. Steven's 5th grade class. A team of students was selected from this class to challenge teachers in a game of basketball. It was a fun game- the students gave the teachers a run for the money, and only lost by 4 points. HMS has some promising players coming their way!

5th Grade Visit to Ilisagvik

Our 5th graders visited Ilisagvik to learn more about the college and to plant the seed for attending camps this summer and considering Ilisagvik College for classes in high school and beyond. The Illisagvik staff had fun and interesting activities planned, and the students had a great time.

Upcoming Events:

Spring Carnival, put on by the student council, will be April 12th.

5th grade visit to HMS will be April 30^{th} from 10:00 - 1:00

Academic Achievement:

We have been making amazing academic growth! The attached graphs speak for themselves- two of the graphs (MAP and STAR) are from January. The Lexia graph is from March 29th, and shows that 72% of our students are working at or above grade level in reading, and 31% of our students are working above grade level. Our winter MAP and STAR data for both Reading and Math show strong growth in just half a year. We are now gather spring STAR data, and are looking forward to seeing our Spring PEAKS and MAP data. We know we are moving forward, and in some cases our students are making 2 years growth and more. When we let our kids fly, they soar! The data highlight that we really do have amazing students and staff at Ipalook Elementary.

Upcoming Testing:

STAR	March 26-30
AIMSWEB	March 26-April 30
MAP	April 2-May 4
PEAKS	April 2-April 30