

## SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Preschool Coordinator Report February 13, 2024 Submitted by: Terry West

Preschool finished the January focus on Literacy and there were two winners of "Battle of the Books". The students got to count the number of books read to them through January 31, 2024. Each student won a book to take home or a small bag of Legos, depending on the number of books read to them.

The February focus in preschool is Language. Each preschooler is practicing writing their own names, letters and learning their letter sounds.

Next month, the focus will be Math and we will have a 'Preschool Olympics' that all families in the district with young children will be invited to. We are continuing to work towards community outreach so that all preschool-age children have the best Early Learning experience possible that follows all State and Early Learning Standards.

All Preschool Paraprofessionals are doing well at their lesson plans and choosing fun activities that will cover all the mandatory objectives that they assess throughout the school year. Each one participated in the Battle of the Books with their class, encouraged parents to join them in reading a book to their child every day. Books were sent home to give the parents the needed resource to do this.

You will see that the Early Learning SISD program is requesting swing sets for all schools that need one. Both Naukati and Port Alexander have nice swing sets and have picked another needed item for their school. This outdoor playground equipment will help young students to get out and play so that they are physically growing and promotes health.

On February 29- March 2, 2024, Superintendent Rod Morrison and two preschool paraprofessionals, Hesperus Keys and Audrey Wopart, will be attending the AAEYC Conference in Anchorage. This fulfills one of the grant requirements and is a good opportunity for further learning in early childhood development for everyone.