

Thorne Bay School

"Into the future with pride and enthusiasm"



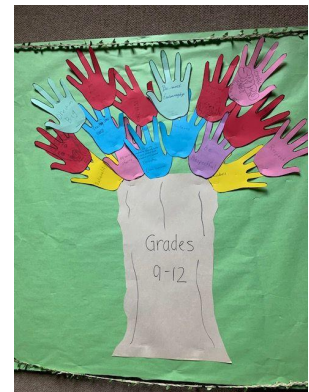
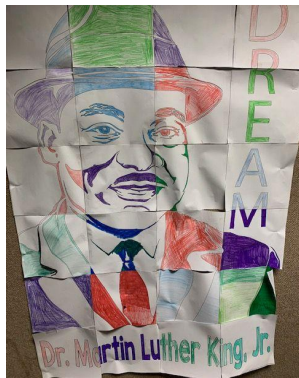
1010 Sandy Beach Road
Thorne Bay, AK 99919
(907) 828-3921

Home of the Wolverines!

16 February 2022

We are grateful to be back in session following winter break and about a week and half of distance education due to Covid! We came back to many weather and sickness hurdles that impacted our school calendar. We will continue to have Friday makeup days throughout the rest of the semester as a result.

We acknowledged Martin Luther King, Jr. Day together! The school as a whole submitted handprints that became the leaves of trees. In keeping with our school theme of growth this year, they answered, "How can we grow the world a better place?" by putting a word on their hands. These are on the hall bulletin boards for anyone who would like to take a look! Mrs. Mendonsa's class put together a stunning portrait of Martin Luther King, Jr. and this is hanging in the Commons! Each student did a portion of the portrait and only when they put their papers together was the portrait revealed. It takes all of us to grow the world a better place!





Valentine's Day was another highlight. Thorne Bay School's ASC purchased Valentine's Day goodies that were available for the community to purchase for the students. Unfortunately, we were in distance education the week prior. The students found Valentine's Day goodies in their meal bags to brighten their day! On Monday, we were back together again. The staff were given one name of a famous pair and had to find their other pair. Mrs. Cook (Lucy Ricardo) and Mrs. Mendonsa (Ricky Ricardo) were the first to find each other, winning first prize!



Scott Mendonsa was selected as "Wolverine Employee of the Month" for his positivity. We appreciate his kindness towards all and we are privileged to have him a part of our Wolverine team!

We are proud of all our Wolverine athletes. High school mixed basketball is gone right now at away games in Juneau, Yakutat, Gustavus, and Skagway. They have persevered through many challenges this year, including Covid cancellations. We are thankful for our AD Aly Howell and our coach Mel Cook who have stayed right by their side.

Esports also lost out on some scrimmages due to Covid cancellations. This week, they won the first scrimmage they were able to participate in! Coach Willy Jennings deserves a big cheer for stepping up to coach the team.

We have some elementary girls who have been cheering at home game events! We are so proud of them and their school spirit!

Student council has been busy scheduling and rescheduling (thanks to Covid) events for the community to participate in! We have enjoyed a community movie night and hope to have more. They are also planning a Homecoming event for the high school to enjoy together.

Our testing was interrupted by Covid, but this week the students and staff have pushed through to finishing MAPS testing. Next week we will tackle IReady.

We are looking forward to finishing the quarter strong!