

## Site Report – Pilot Point-February 2021

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

**From: Michele Hughes-Head Teacher,  
Elementary Teacher**

### **Outstanding Activities and Events**

Valentine's Day Fun: We hosted a Valentine's Day party at school on Feb. 12, full of food, fun, games, and gestures of kindness.

Archery: Archery continues to be an engaging challenge for PIP students and staff. Students practice several times each week. They are working towards tournament readiness and are making great progress.

Kicksleds: Students and staff have been getting outside for exercise and fresh air using these awesome winter tools.

#### Mrs. Hughes Elementary Class

Comprehensive School Improvement Grant Programs were all fully implemented in February. These include Book Backpacks, Book Buddies, and Book Club.

Book Backpacks: I am so excited to share our progress on these programs we have recently implemented here in Pilot Point. After receiving our book order the last week of January, I started sorting books according to each student's reading level and interest. Then, it was just a matter of filling backpacks, giving a little instruction to students about expectations, and out the door they went with books and a smile! At the end of February, students and parents will complete a book recommendation on one book from their February Backpack to put on our Book Backpack Board(also known as the BBB.). This is also a way for me to informally assess how students and parents are using the books at home and the impact the program is making on their literacy. I hope to get a survey from parents in April with their feedback on the positives/negatives about the program and how to make it better next year.

Book Buddies: This is already so much fun to see how pumped the kiddos are in both classrooms to be able to use Zoom to interact with their peers! My group put together a powerpoint with interest inventories to introduce themselves to Ms. Davis' 4/5th class at Kokhanok School. In return, they did the same. Our first Book Buddies meeting was Tuesday 2/16 and the second meeting was Friday 2/18. Both were big hits with students and teachers. Jordan Davis at Kokhanok has been great to work with and share ideas on how to make each meeting even better.

Book Clubs: Our first book club was Thursday, 2/17 after school. Students voted to read Freckle Juice by Judy Blume for our first club. They were motivated by the book-inspired cooking and chemistry activities that are in store for them. This club is from 4:00-5:00, Feb.18, Feb 25, and March 4. There will be upcoming clubs for March and April.

#### Mr. K's Secondary Class

We are putting together two great learning experiences for the coming months: a Commercial Fishing Week and a Carport Construction Project.

Commercial Fishing Week will be hosted by visiting instructor and local setnetter Catie Bursch. Catie will be using elements of her Fish Camp summer program, as well some the BBNA Commercial Fishing Crew Class curriculum, to put on an exciting week of learning experiences for PIP students.

The carport will be an extension to and improvement of our current conex storage units. The project will again be led by visiting instructor Mike Janecek, and we are very happy to be able to create another opportunity for students to work with and learn from Mike. Students will learn real carpentry skills while building this useful space, a space that will in turn be a workshop for future projects and storage needs.

In Science, we are finishing our study of weather with a look at the ways in which weather alters the earth's surface. The class will be engaging in a real-life application of this topic by conducting shoreline erosion monitoring here in Pilot Point. In Social Studies, we are close to wrapping up our look at early cultures of the Americas. To connect local Alaskan cultural history to this topic, we are pleased to have been able to join for two wonderful Zoom sessions curated by Matthew Stark of Chignik Lake School. The first session featured a NPS Archaeologist presenting on her work in the Lake and Pen region, and the second featured a professor of Native Studies and Music at UAA discussing Alaska Native music and dancing.

### **Personnel**

Staff is healthy and working hard! All staff received their first round of the COVID vaccination Feb. 9.

We are happy to welcome a Pilot Point resident J.B. George as a basketball coach for our spring basketball season.

### **Standards Based System/Curriculum Progress**

We are monitoring standards progress closely as we inch closer to April. Some of Mr. K's students are preparing for the new online end of level assessments in writing, now that those are available. There are also several students working on end of level's in Math.

### **Technology Progress**

New laptop updates were greatly appreciated.

### **Facility Update**

The building is in good shape. No issues to report at this time.

### **LSAC Activity**

Last LSAC meeting was Feb. 16.

### **Volunteer Report**

### **Professional Development**

**Pupil Attendance**-Attendance is still being strongly encouraged and incentivized. We have seen more consistent attendance from 4 out of the 5 elementary students. Consequently, increased student performance is evident in recent end of unit math and reading

assessments and text level assessments. This success has been shared with parents to remind them of the importance of consistent attendance.

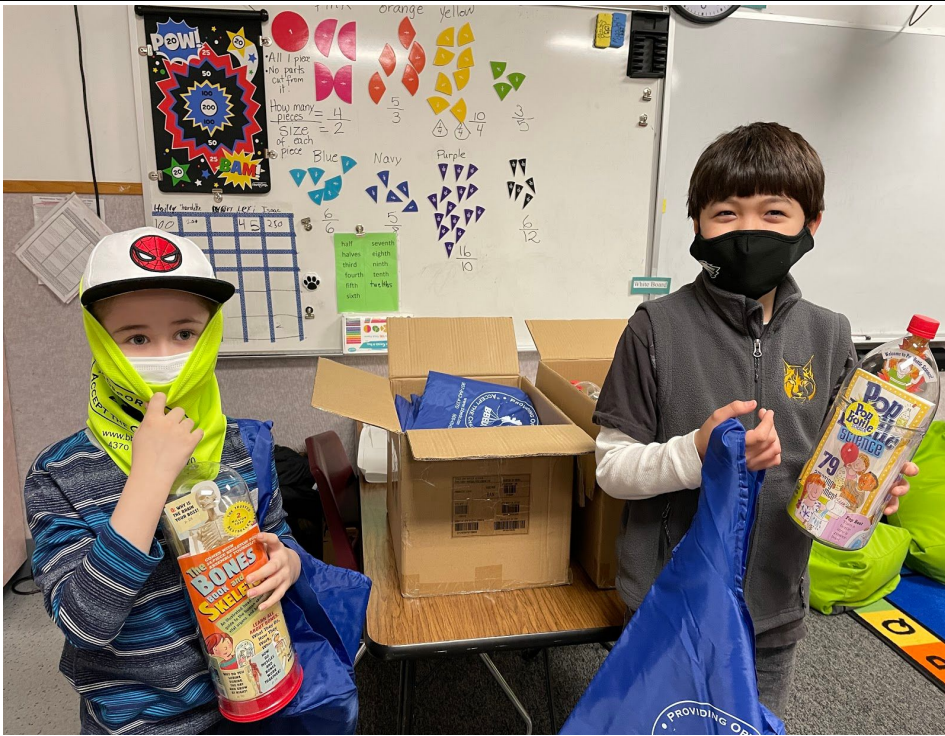
### Student and Staff Safety

Students are practicing using kind words and resolving conflicts at every opportunity.

### Subsistence Calendar

PIP has submitted their calendar for 21-22 school year.

### Other

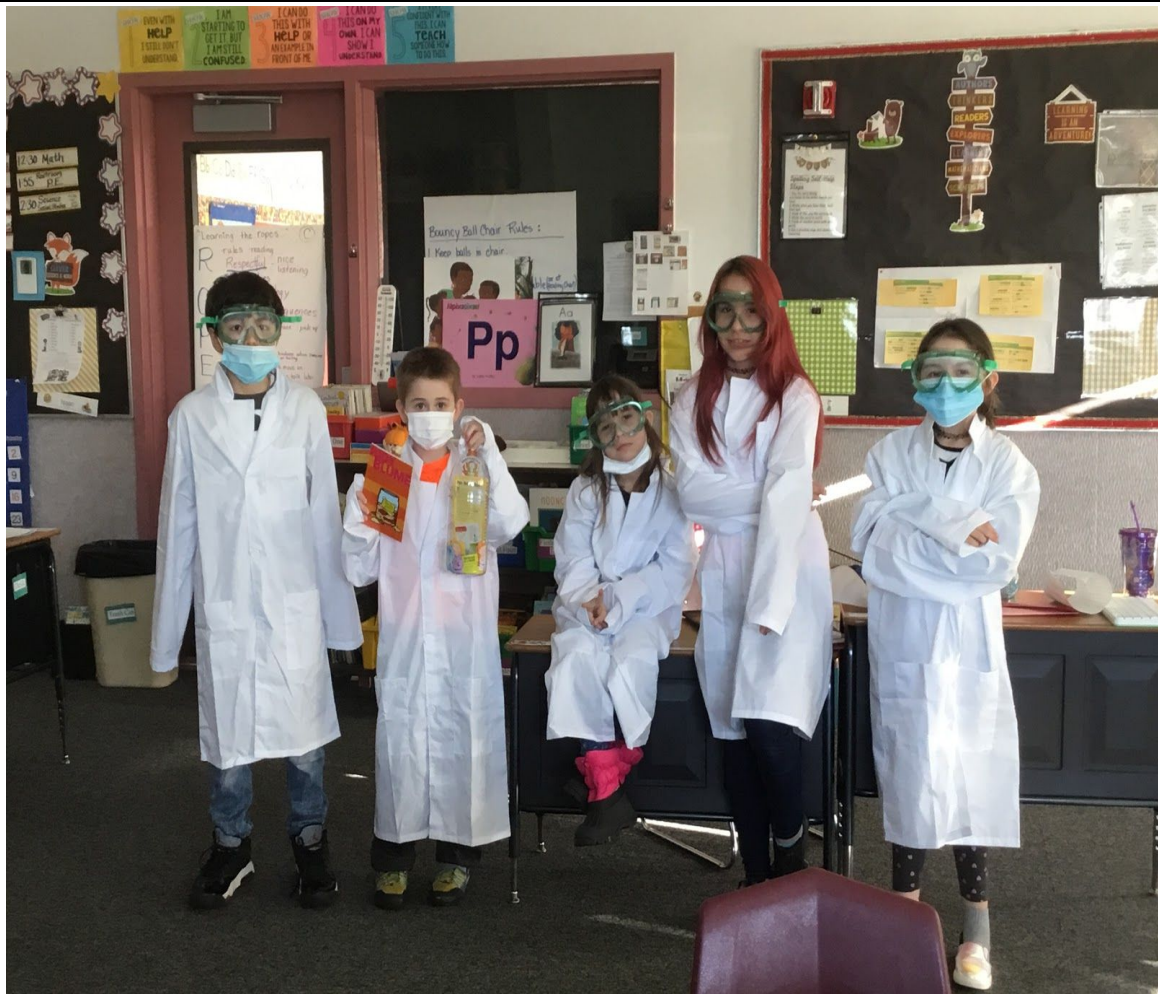


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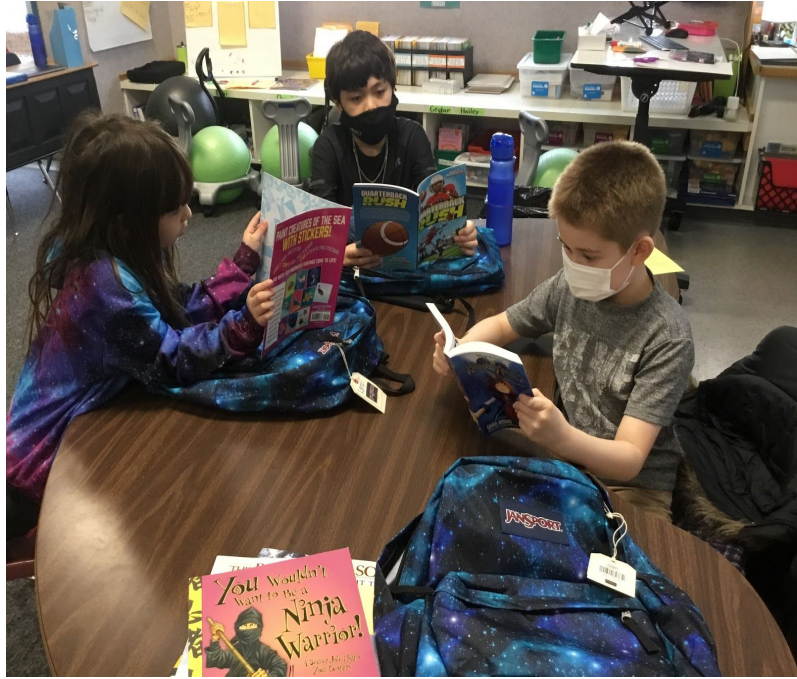


Valentine's Day Party





Book Club



Book Backpacks



Book Buddies



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