

# Effimia Reutov's Newsletter

Kachemak Selo School, January 2020



Picture: . I call this picture: **The hot sunset.**

**Greetings to all parents.**

## **Upcoming** ..... **Dates to remember:**

**January 9,** Back to regular school day

**January 15,** Early Release

**January 11,** Saturday School

**January 20,** Parent Teacher Conferences

**January 14,** Inservice, No students

Also, please see included calendar.

### **K-2 Interventions:**

Still happening in the mornings. Thank you for making the effort to make sure your K-2 students are in school on time.

### **HS and MS Russian**

We are working on a unit that I have put together on Mount Athos. Unit includes writing, reading, video, singing, a 3D topography map of Mount Athos, and creating a bulletin board. Please come to see, all the wonderful work the students are creating.

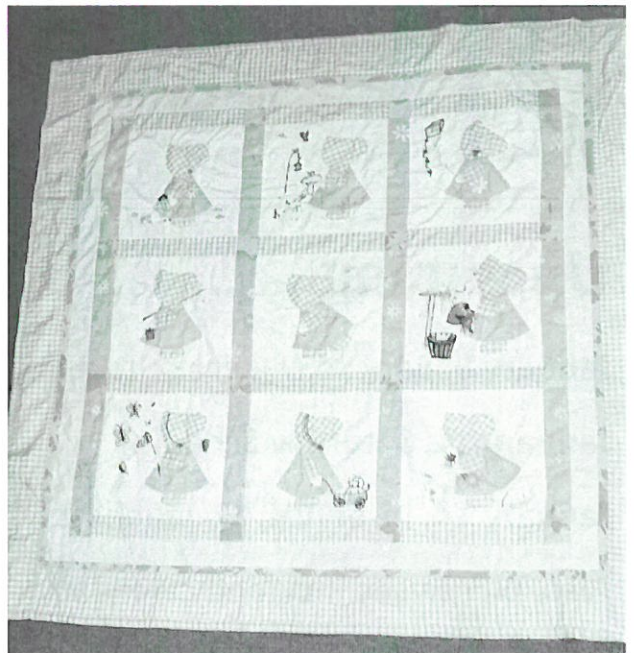
**History:** Chapter 10, from the Book on Medieval Era.

### After school quilting class:



I am offering a quilting class. We will be making a 50"x50" quilt. All HS and MS students are welcome. I have two students that are interested at this time. We are keeping it casual. There is no set time, just whoever can stay, works on their quilt.

The quilt below is an example of what we are trying to achieve.



### Health tip:

Essential oils to keep at hand or in your Emergency First Aid Kit: From Young Living, Geranium for bleeding wounds and Lavender, for burns and sunburns. I have tried both oils, yes oils, on myself and saw miracles happen. Both oils are best effective when put on fresh just happened wounds.

## READING

All grades are working hard to sharpen and refine their English phonics and word attack skills. All students have their goals they have set for their reading fluency.  $\frac{3}{4}$  is reading a fun book called "Tut-Tut". This year our class read aloud is the going to be all classics of children's literature. Last month, we read Rudyard Kipling's Jungle Book. This month we will read Roald Dahl's Matilda.

## MATH

2 has been developing number sense through the use of our math chat time and learning mental math strategies. 3, 4 has been developing a better understanding of multiplication and division and building on that to understand factors, multiples, and square roots.

## RUSSIAN

As always, our focus in the primary grades is Russian Language reading and writing. Arena has been continuing to amaze me with her ability to build capacity in your students. We are also teaching tradition. In the picture on the right, Arena is teaching the students about tea time.

## PE

Not only has the snow brought fun with skiing...but now we have new sleds for the kids to use at recess! What a treat! Thank you Tanya! The kids are having a blast.

# KACHEMAK SELO

## KINDER-GRADE 4

### JANUARY 2020

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- Ask your students about their learning goals.
- Saturday School this weekend! Steam team members will be going to PHlight Camp that Saturday. Ask 3rd-4th graders for flyer.



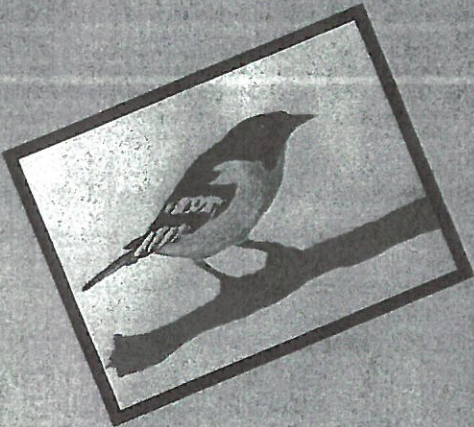
MR. YOUNG WILL BEGIN COMING NEXT WEEK FOR OUR WEEKLY 'THINKING SKILLS' HOUR.

THE MIGRANT PROGRAM IS ORGANIZING SWIM LESSONS AGAIN THIS YEAR. STAY TUNED FOR INFORMATION. AT THIS TIME, WE ARE THINKING IT WILL HAPPEN IN FEBRUARY.

# Mrs. Sorensen's Newsletter



JANUARY 10, 2020



## LANGUAGE ARTS

High school students are beginning the short novel *The Little Prince*. It is an allegory about the world we live in. We continue with Membean and Greek/Latin roots as vocabulary acquisition and analyzing non fiction using Newsela, as well as grammar and literary skills with daily bell ringers. Great job on the MAP tests, students! Most made great gains in both reading and LA.

Middle schoolers are practicing their grammar, which will help them in their writing. Students will be writing a persuasive essay this quarter for their assessment. All students

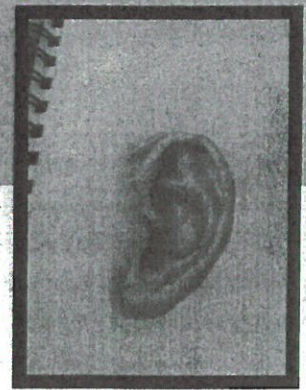
are either working at their own speed in Lexia or Membean, depending on whether they need more vocabulary or reading practice. Students' MAP tests showed great improvement over fall scores. Great job, students!!

## GEOGRAPHY

High school students are taking world geography this semester. We start with North America and work our way across the world looking at such things as physical features, economic development, and population density among other topics.

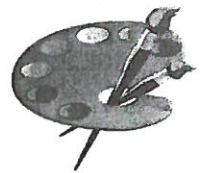
## IMPORTANT DATES

- January 11 - Saturday school
- January 14 - Inservice (no school)
- January 15 - Early release
- January 20 - Inservice
- January 25 - Juneau trip for 8 HS students
- February 12 - Holy day
- February 14 - Parent Conf



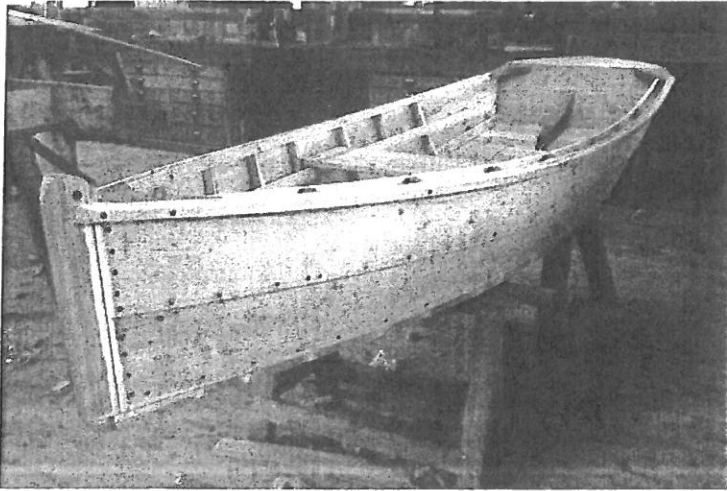
## ART CORNER

Students have been practicing drawing with art pencils and using various shading techniques.



# Mr. R's Log

January 12, 2020



An example flat iron skiff

## Quote of the Week:

"You can't have a million dollar dream with a minimum wage work ethic."

-Anonymous

## Word of the Week:

*Resilience*—Like the time Mr. R. crashed the green plane, fixed it, and flew it again.

### In Science:

- We will be studying the ocean, and its structure and function.
- We are studying storms, and learning how to communicate facts as accurately and concisely as possible, citing sources when needed.

### Special Projects:

- We are in the process of balancing our Cadet R/C planes, and practicing touch-and-gos on the street.
- Our Yamaha 9.9 outboard's cooling system has been overhauled. We will test its performance this month.
- Dads from Selo will show how to fiberglass on our flat iron skiff.
- We are designing and cutting designs with the band saw.

### In Math:

- We've completed MAP testing, and our kids have increased their math skills at or above 10%.
- We are learning about budgets, how credit cards work, how to calculate cost per use, and will begin to learn about taxes, and completing a tax return.
- Students in geometry are also thinking about two dimensional shapes, and calculating lengths, areas and angles with tools and through intuition.

# January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Christmas Break	2 Christmas Break	3 Christmas Break	4 Christmas Break
5 Christmas Break	6 Christmas Break	7 Christmas Break	8 Christmas Break	9 Back to School	10	11 Saturday School 8:30-3:05 NO PRESCHOOL
12	13 NO PRESCHOOL	14 Inservice No School for students	15 Early Release 12:30 NO PRESCHOOL	16	17	18
19	20 Inservice/PTC No school for students	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 HS students leave for Juneau	28	29	30	31	