

# November

## Chapman Eagle Chronicles

### Principal's Desk

Greetings Chapman Families,

We have so much going on this month and students are getting lots of choices: from sports, to music, to field trips. I am thrilled that the Anchor Point community has such a strong collaboration vibe. What I've experienced since I've arrived here is the incredible teamwork of folks working together for the good of the school.

Just some examples: The parent group has done an amazing job of organizing the Halloween carnival, and fundraisers. Volunteers have been fantastic coming into the building and sharing their knowledge. Teachers and staff are working together outside the regular workday to make extra opportunities happen. It's great to work in an environment and culture where people just step up and help to make things happen.

Still, the past two years have taken a toll on folks, and as we are getting back to normal, it is worth a reminder that *everyone is welcome in the school*. We want and need volunteers to share their knowledge and expertise on anything and everything that gives more opportunities for students. What skills could you teach? What stories could you tell? Perhaps you'd like to read a story to the younger children? Or maybe you'd like to sub?

Whatever your talent or expertise, we want you to feel welcome to share with us, in your Chapman family school. We all are family here, and it takes a village, as they say. Please feel free to reach out to your favorite teacher (or Carrara) for opportunities to volunteer, or work as a sub, in the school.

Thank you so much to everyone,

~ Mr. Hart

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8<sup>th</sup> Grade language arts students hard at work writing essays for the VFW Patriot's Pen. The VFW sponsors the "Patriots Pen" essay contest each year and gives hundreds of dollars out to the winning essays. The Patriot's Pen Contest is open to all 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students.



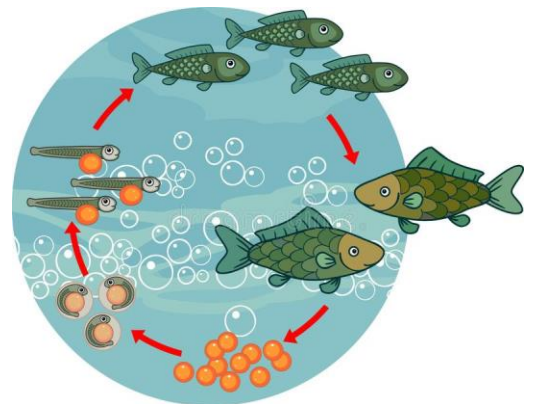
Chapman is excited to be partnering with Homer OPUS to offer violin classes twice a week in the kindergarten and first grade. The students in these classes are working hard to build their endurance and focus so that they are ready for their real violins in a few months. For now, they are practicing the needed skills on their paper mache violins that they made. They are excited to showcase their skills in rhythm and general violin knowledge at the winter concert on December 9<sup>th</sup>. In the meantime, a big part of the program is garnering parent involvement and support for this program so that we can sustain it for years to come and hopefully expand to other grades. If you would like to learn more about the program and find out how to get involved, please attend the parent meeting on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 in the library.



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On October 12<sup>th</sup>, the third grade class went down to Anchor River to retrieve Coho salmon eggs to raise. The eggs are in a tank in the 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade hallway where they will hatch and eventually grow into salmon fry! This is a program called Salmon in the Classroom and it is made possible through a partnership between Chapman School and Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Third grade has also been hard at work memorizing multiplication facts, reading up a storm, and learning about Alaskan History!



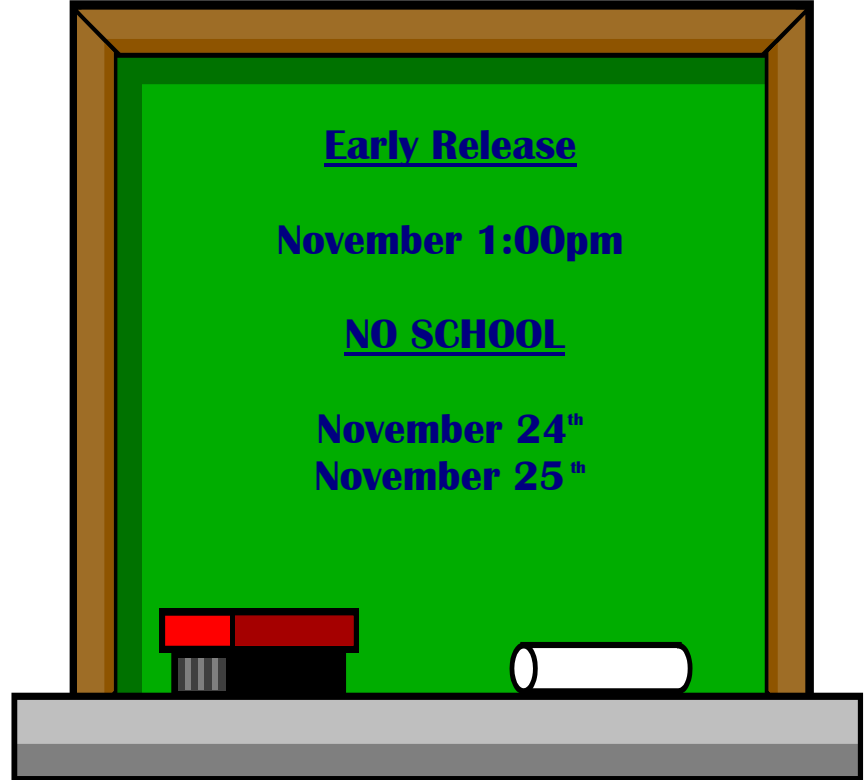
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### Upcoming Events

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- 4<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to Homer Chamber Of Commerce
- 10<sup>th</sup> Veterans Assembly Flag presentation  
9:00-9:30 am  
Opus meeting K-7<sup>th</sup> 2:45 in library
- 11<sup>th</sup> Early Release 1:00pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Senior Center Bazaar
- 17<sup>th</sup> Picture retakes 8:00 am
- 18<sup>th</sup> Family Movie Night "Goofy Movie"
- 21<sup>st</sup> K/7<sup>th</sup> field trip to Fireweed Academy for An Eagle Ensemble activity
- 24<sup>th</sup> No School-Thanksgiving
- 25<sup>th</sup> No School
- 30<sup>th</sup> Title I family engagement night 5:00  
6:00



### CHAPMAN Basketball

Grades 6th/7th/8th.

Coach: Heidi Stokes

Practices: Monday- Friday 2:30-4:00

*All students wanting to participate must have signed permission form and \$60.00 participation fee turned in to play.*

#### Game Schedule

November 3<sup>rd</sup>: @ Chapman vs. Kenai, girls: 3:00, boys: 4:30

November 10<sup>th</sup>: @ CIA girls: 3:30, boys: 5:00

November 11<sup>th</sup>: @ABC, girls: 3:30, boys: 5:00

November 15<sup>th</sup>: Game in Seldovia

November 18: Small School Basketball Tournament @ ABC

November 22<sup>nd</sup>: Game @ Mcneil: 3:30

