3-School Newsletter

COOPER LANDING, HOPE, AND MOOSE PASS SCHOOLS

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The **Safe School Helpline** is provided to allow students, parents and community members the ability to confidentially submit report threats of violence, suicide, bullying or illegal activity that impact KPBSD schools, students, or staff. This service provides users the opportunity to leave a message or speak with a live crisis counselor for immediate needs. The helpline is administered by an independent, outside company. All communications remain private, confidential, and anonymous.

Four Ways to Report to the Safe School Helpline:

Call: 1-800-418-6423 or 1-800-4-1-VOICE (Ext. 359)

Text: TIPS to 614-426-0240

Online: SafeSchoolHelpline.com

Mobile App: Download FREE on the App Store or Google Play

ALASKA BOOK WEEK

The first week of October marks **Alaska Book Week** sponsored by the <u>Alaska Center for the Book</u>.

Stephanie Schott, Early Literacy Director of <u>Best Beginnings</u>, has contributed a short video on the **benefits of reading aloud**, that is aimed at parents of young children, for parents to watch at their leisure. The Alaska Center for the Book invites you to share the link widely:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7RwZftXrlWA

You can also find out more about 2023 Alaska Book Week activities at the Alaska Center for the Book website. Many of the activities are live in the Anchorage area but there are venues in Wasilla, Ketchikan, and Homer as well, but check the Alaska Book Week web page https://alaskabookweek.org/ to view the variety of events and presentations and discover that

there a number of offerings, like Stephanie's, are available as videos or will be presented next week via Zoom. Examples are a Zoom broadcast called Teachers Turned Writers and a video by novelist Jamey Bradbury called Being the Writer You Are.

VIsit the <u>Alaska Book Week webpage</u> to see the variety of Book Week events that begin Thursday, September 28.

Sue Sherif

Board Member

Alaska Center for the Book

MOOSE PASS SCHOOL: MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Monday 10/2: Picture Day- Pre-order at mylifetouch.com with Picture Day ID: EVT38PQXR

Monday 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, and 10/23: Basketball Clinic 3:15-4:15 in Moose Pass School Gym

Thursday 10/12: Early Release- students released at 1:45, afternoon bus on 90 minute early release schedule as well.

Friday 10/13: In-Service Day- No School for Students

Friday 10/20: Fire Prevention Presentation at Moose Pass Fire Hall

Thursday 10/26: No School Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences

Friday 10/27: No School Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences

Saturday 10/28: Moose Pass Halloween Carnival- More Information Coming Soon!

October Basketball Clinic

Jack Lindquist, Moose Pass School Alum and Seward High School Junior, has offered to teach a four week Basketball Clinic in October!

Where: Moose Pass School Gym
When: October 2, 9, 16 and 23 from 3:15-4:15
Who: All Moose Pass School students are welcome

Heather Lindquist will provide adult supervision. This is a great opportunity for students to learn more about basketball and have a fun after school activity! Please call the school and let us know if your students will be attending.

COOPER LANDING SCHOOL UPDATES

Dates to Remember

- Friday, October 13 In-Service Day for Staff No School for Students
- Thursday, October 19 First PAC Meeting of the Year at 5:00 via Zoom
- Thursday, October 26 Parent-Teacher Conferences No School
- Friday, October 27 Parent-Teacher Conferences No School

Substitutes

Cooper Landing School is in need of substitutes for all positions: teacher, instructional aide, special education aide, secretary, and custodian. If one of our staff is out, we have no one to cover for them. There is a bit of paperwork involved, but it can all be done online. If you are interested, please go to the KPBSD website to apply: https://kpbsd.org/departments/assistant-superintendent/instructional-services/hr/substitute-information/

Teachers only need to have a high school diploma or GED. A teaching certificate is not required.

Winter Gear

It's becoming a bit cooler as of late. Please make sure your child has a warm jacket, hat, gloves, and when the snow falls, snow pants and boots. If it is convenient for you, and your child has extras, these things can be kept at the school. Please make sure to label each item with your child's name.

Community School Activities to Resume

We recently submitted the required Building Use Agreements with insurance certificates to enable us to resume Community School activities. The schedule will be as follows:

Tot Time - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:45 am - 12:45 pm Volleyball - Thursdays, 6:00 - 9:00 pm Walking/Work-out - Monday through Friday, 7:15 - 8:15 am

Everything has been approved by the district office, and activities will most likely begin October 9. Please keep an eye on the Cooper Landing Community Crier for more information.

District Office has informed us that since there is no student contact for Community School activities, background checks are no longer needed <u>unless you are issued a key to the school</u>.

Field Trips

Parents who wish to accompany their child on field trips (whether or not you are driving a student other than your own), must complete a background check. To complete the process, please click here: https://kpbsd.org/departments/assistant-superintendent/instructional-services/hr/volunteer/

Library News

Cooper Landing Community Library is open again on Tuesday afternoons, from 3-5pm, so that students have an opportunity to visit the library after school. The librarians look forward to

seeing both parents and students there!

Winter Library Hours

Monday 1-3pm

Tuesday 3-5pm

Wednesday 1-3pm

Thursday 1-3pm

Friday 1-3pm

Saturday 11am-2pm

Donation Link

If you would like to make an online donation to our school with your credit card, here is a link: https://kpbsd.revtrak.net/k-12-schools/Cooper-Landing/cooper-landing-fundraiser/ Please note that a fee of 3.6% will be added to the total. Thank you for your support!

HOPE SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



What an awesome Kasitsna Bay Trip for these students. I am so proud to report that I have not heard one negative report. They all seemed to like their hike the most and tide pooling was a close second. This morning a few students spoken with me about sea urchins. A high school student was very taken by a whale breaking the surface water. Mrs. Christen was discussing facts about aquatic animals with all of them this morning. This was a great science trip with lots of hands on experience for the students.

October 9th: PTO Meeting at 3:45 PM at the Hope School **October 12th:** Early Release - students released at 2:00

October 13th: No School for students

October 26th & 27th: No School for students/Parent Teacher Conferences

Volunteers and Substitute Teachers: Hope School is always happy to have substitute teachers and volunteers. Opportunity is available for both positions currently. Please consider one or both positions https://www.applitrack.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx?
Category=Volunteer+Screening+Process

Here is a link to your new **school calendar** for this school year.

https://kpbsd.org/wp-content/uploads/parents-students/calendars/2023-2024/2023-2024-Districtwide-Calendar-ER.pdf

Symptom-Free Protocol: Covid information available on district website: https://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/content.aspx?id=42180

Hope School Staff



