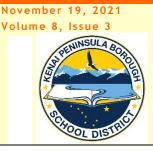
## Mountain View Elementary School "Kenai's Neighborhood School"



\*IMPORTANT DATES\*

**Thursday & Friday November 25 & 26** Thanksgiving holiday



Friday, November 26 5:45 PM Electric Light Parade Downtown Kenai COME SEE THE MT. VIEW "FLOAT"!

**Tuesday, November 30** CHRISTMAS DRIVE FORMS DUE

December 18 – January 3 WINTER BREAK



Monday, January 3 INSERVICE DAY NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS



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Every day that our students enter school, they pass by these signs on the walkway pilings exhorting them to choose to be kind and to choose to be helpful



The idea is for students to give themselves a "thumbs-up" and make a personal commitment to practice these character traits as they go through their day here at Mountain View Elementary.

For years, every day, at the end of morning announcements I have encouraged students and staff to, "Make it a Great Day". The next logical step was to define the simple thought processes students can go through to make it a great day. After months of discussion, our Climate Committee landed on the two simple guidelines in the above posters.

Students face many choices each day as they embark on educational and social challenges both in and out of school. What guides those choices? If those choices are guided by being kind and helpful to others and, equally as important, to themselves, it's likely they will tackle those challenges successfully. If others are doing the same, it creates an environment where everyone will flourish.

On the way out of school, students encounter a little different sign. It is the same thumbs-up symbol with the words "I chose to be kind" and "I chose to be helpful".

This time we are encouraging students to reflect on their day and give themselves a thumbs-up if they honored the commitment they made on the way in.

Thumbs-up is the universal sign to express that something good is going on. If the Mountain View Family can all have a double thumbs-up day as defined by the two personal choices defined above you can be sure good things are happening.

## MOUNTAIN VIEW ELEMENTARY TITLE ONE PRE-K PROGRAM

Applications are now available for a possible 2<sup>nd</sup> semester afternoon session.
We must have enough students qualify to be able to offer this new session.
To be considered, a child must be 4 years old by September 1, 2021, live in the Mountain View attendance area, and have a completed application returned to Mountain View Elementary.
For more information, please call 283-8600.



## We Care! So Let's Prepare!

Winter is here!

Recess occurs in wind, rain, and cold because we know that fresh air and activity are so important! If the temperature reaches -10 degrees Fahrenheit, wind chill included, we will stay inside.

Thank you for ensuring that your child has clothing that is appropriate for the weather. Having students dressed appropriately, in case the need arises to go outside for any reason is advisable.

Whether your student rides the bus or is dropped off at school, please make sure they are dressed appropriately for outdoor morning recess.

It is amazing how many articles of clothing, especially coats, are in our Lost and Found. Hats, gloves, boots, and other gear should be labeled with your child's name so we can help return them to students. If your child is missing gear, please have them stop by our Lost and Found or you are welcome to do so yourself!

