## Soldotna Montessori News

March 2, 2023



### **Upcoming Events**

| 3/2       | Larned FT - KNWR (AM)                                     |
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| 3/3       | 50 Cent Friday  |
| 3/6       | School Lottery @ 4:00                                     |
| 3/7       | Faris FT - Alyeska (All Day)                              |
| 3/9       | Early Release (2:00)                                      |
| 3/10      | End of 3rd Quarter<br>No School                           |
| 3/13-17   | Spring Break  |
| 3/21      | 6th Grade Parent/ Student<br>Orientations @ Skyview (6:00 |
| 3/22      | Quest Film Festival                                       |
| 3/24      | School Assembly<br>Hubbard's Class (9:00)                 |
| 3/24      | Spring Pictures   |
| 3/24      | Kinder FT - River City<br>Gymnastics                      |
| 3/27-4/21 | State Assessment Window                                   |
| 4/7       | Snow Day Make-up<br>(School in Session)                   |
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### **SMCS Forensics Performances**



You might be wondering, what is "forensics?" Forensics, in school, is a literature learning structure that is intended to have students select, memorize, and perform a piece of literature. Each year the district hold a forensics competition and our students

who attended performed exceptionally well. The following students placed at the district competition. 6th grade:

Steven DeBardelaben- 1st place Non-humorous poetry Sofie DeRaeve- 1st place Non-humorous prose Skyla-Jo Thomas- 2nd place Humorous poetry Adara Germain- 1st place Interpretive reading 5th grade:

Isobel Brantley and Avi Bloom- 1st place Prose multiples Avi Bloom- 1st place Humorous prose Reese Ross- 2nd place Humorous poetry Taryn Lewis- 3rd place Non-humorous prose Cheyanne Gillham- 1st place Non-humorous poetry 4th grade:

Torah Sorhus- 2nd place Non-humorous prose Lukas Schlegel- 4th place Humorous poetry Alyson Evans- 2nd place Non-humorous poetry Nathan Nelson- 2nd place Humorous prose That is a place winner in nearly every District Forensics category! Thank you to Mrs. DeRaeve for preparing our students for the competition, and congratulations to our student performers!

### **State Testing Notice**

March 27-April 21 is the testing window for the Alaska state assessments. It is very important that all students are able to participate, so please schedule absences and family trips

around these dates. Data from all of our students is helpful in reviewing our school academic program. Participation also influences our School Report to the Public score calculated by the State.

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### Lunch \$ Notifications NEW PROCESS

The District has turned on a PowerSchool feature, at our request, to notify families via email, when lunch account balances get low (\$5). We hope this notification will be a helpful reminder for you.

### It's Time to Think ABOUT YEARBOOKS

It is time to be thinking about yearbook orders. Families who order before March 28 are able to add 2 free custom pages to their student's yearbook. You can find the link to order a yearbook at the school web page. The school code is 1013956816001527. If you order online by April 14th, the cost of a yearbook will only be \$21.00.

## Field Trip Season

@ SMCS

It is getting lighter outside, and field trips are in the air. Students will be traveling to visit the dentist's office and heading to the Kenai Wildlife Refuge to do some snowshoeing and learn about the local wildlife. One class will be heading up to Alyeska to learn some skiing/snowboarding skills! After Spring Break, there will be intermediate Peterson Bay trips, primary Salmon Celebration efforts @ Johnson Lake, along with many other trips that are in the planning stages.

All of these experiences would not be possible without the help of our parent chaperones. If you are planning on helping, please complete the required background check, if you have not yet done so. Also, thank you for supporting this type of learning and joining us on these out-of-class learning experiences.

# Spring Picture Day is Coming

Soldotna Montessori Spring Picture Day is March 24, 2023

Order forms will be sent home on Thursday before Spring Break



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Order forms did not arrive in time for today's Thursday folders