

Soldotna Montessori News

May 4, 2023



Upcoming Events

5/5	School Assembly Miller's Class (9:00)
5/5	50 Cent Friday
5/8-10	Carter Field Trip Peterson Bay
5/10	Primary Field Trip Salmon Celebration (11:00)
5/10	NEW 23-24 Kindergarten Open House 5:30-6:30
5/11	6th Grade Skyview Visit (9:00)
5/11	Kindergarten Field Trip Cadre/Aspen Park (12:30-2:30)
5/11	APC Meeting (5:30)
5/12	6th Grade Meal (Froso's)
5/12	Kindergarten Field Trip Farnsworth Park (1:00)
5/12	ALICE Drill (2:15)
5/13	Terri Carter Retirement KRB (1:00-3:00)
5/15	All School Assembly Slide Show (9:00)
5/18	6th Grade Promotion (9:15)
5/18	Last Day Of School
5/18	Volunteer Appreciation Soldotna Creek Park (11:30)
5/18	Whole School Picnic Soldotna Creek Park (12:00)

School Picnic & Field Day

INFO & ASSISTANCE

All families are invited to our last day of school family picnic on 5/18. Lunch will be served right around 12:00. We need family assistance with picnic sides and other needs. Please sign up to bring an item for the picnic at the school website. Mrs. Boonstra is also looking for parent volunteers for the field day activities. If that speaks to you, please sign up to help her, as well as speaking with Mrs. Boonstra. Signing up for assisting Mrs. Boonstra will also be available at the school website.

Volunteer Appreciation

INFORMATION

We had a good response to our volunteer recognition last year at the school picnic and will be continuing that this year. We would like to recognize all of our volunteers who are so instrumental to our school's success and family atmosphere at our School Picnic & Field Day. It will allow our students, staff, and others in attendance to share their appreciation for our wonderful school volunteers at a whole school event. We plan to hold a short recognition @ 11:30, just prior to serving lunch. We hope every family is able to attend and will join in thanking our school volunteers during our school picnic.

Terri Carter Retirement

RECOGNITION & CELEBRATIONS

Terri Carter will be retiring this year after 25 years of teaching in our district; 16 of those years were here at Soldotna Montessori Charter School. You can help celebrate her and her stellar career at various events throughout the last week of school. You can attend her retirement party which is being held at KRB on Saturday, May 13 from 1-3 p.m. You can attend the whole school slide show on Monday, May 15th @ 9:00, and stay for a school recognition after the slide show. You can also help celebrate her last walk to our picnic by parking along Binkley Street and honking your horn or cheering for her on Thursday, May 18th @ about 10:45. Come celebrate her legacy here at SMCS.

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ALICE Drill Information

WHEN: Friday, May 12th, 2023 @ 2:15 p.m.

WHY: To practice safety protocols and emergency procedures with students.

WHO: All students & staff from SMCS & SOEL.

CONSIDER: Schedule your visit to the school or pick-up of students for appointments prior to or after this event.

QUESTIONS: Contact Mr. DeVold with questions or clarification about this drill.

SIMULATION:

THE DRILL WILL SIMULATE AN INTRUDER TO THE BUILDING AND STUDENTS AND STAFF WILL ACTIVATE THE ALICE PROTOCOL. STUDENTS AND STAFF WILL WALK TO THE ALTERNATE LOCATION AS PART OF THE SIMULATION TO KNOW WHERE OUR ALTERNATIVE GATHERING POINT IS LOCATED. STUDENTS WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR TEACHER FOR THIS WALK.

ALICE

**ALERT - LOCKDOWN
INFORM
COUNTER - EVACUATE**

Last Day Events INFORMATION

We are rapidly approaching the end of the year, and I know families begin to make plans for joining our school for our end of the year events on May 18th.

We will be celebrating our 6th graders with our annual promotion ceremony in the gym @ 9:15. Recognizing our 6th graders is such an important piece of our school. We look forward to this opportunity to thank and honor them, even though it is bittersweet, as we know they will be moving on. We hope our families are able to join us for this event.

Shortly after, we will be celebrating Mrs. Carter with our tradition of hosting a retirement parade to Soldotna Creek Park. Classes will stop along the way and cheer for her as she makes her way to the park. We encourage ALL families, and former families, to find a spot along the route to honk their horn or step out and cheer her, too. Classes will depart at around 10:45.

Lastly, we will conduct our volunteer appreciation and school picnic/field day at Soldotna Creek Park. We begin at 11:30 with our volunteer appreciation, and food is served at 12:00. The students will continue their afternoon at the park completing field day events until 2:30. We love having our families join us for that time, so if you can stay after lunch, that is wonderful. If we have inclement weather or snow is still on the ground, we will alter our plans to finish our day indoors at the school.

6th Grade

SKYVIEW VISIT

6th graders will be traveling to Skyview Middle school for a 6th grade visit on Thursday, May 11. Students will travel by bus with SoEl 6th graders to Skyview @ 9:00. They will eat lunch at Skyview and return to the school by 1:00.

SPIRIT DAYS

Mon. 5/15 - School Shirt
Tues. 5/16 - Sports Day
Wed. 5/17 - Crazy Socks
Thurs. 5/18 - Hawaii Day