## CHUGIAK CHATTER

#### Chugiak Rams are Honest | Helpful | Safe | Friendly | Fair

#### Friday, Dec. 13

Popcorn
 Day! Bring
 your fifty
 cents!



• Safety Committee Meets 8:15 a.m.

#### Thursday, Dec. 19

- Cantemos Juntos Parent Shows
  - K-2 morning
  - 3-5 afternoon

#### Friday, Dec. 20

 No School for Students -In-service day

#### Dec. 23 - Jan. 3

Winter Vacation - School is Closed

#### Monday, Jan. 6, 2020

 School resumes; Third Quarter begins



"Look out hill, here I come!"

Dear Families,

What a fun week this has been! Thank you, Mrs. Spackman, for sponsoring the many music clubs this semester that excited students about drumming, dancing, and singing! Their performances in town and at school helped all of us get in the holiday spirit!

Thank you, too, to parents for getting your students to practices, rehearsals, and the performances! That extra schedule demand can be taxing at times, and we hope you found the effort well worth it in the end! I know I thoroughly enjoyed watching them perform! Thank you for your help collecting chairs after the school performance!

This is our final newsletter of 2019. We wish you all a wonderful winter break with your families. We look forward to seeing you all in 2020!

With gratitude, Heather Mildon



### All Pro Dads is Coming to Chugiak!

All Pro Dads — Nope, NOT football-related and Yep, a wonderful time for dads to share with their children, will begin monthly breakfast meetings on January 24th, 2020. Our meeting will be from 7:45 -8:45 am, in the Chugiak MPR. All Chugiak Elementary dads and their kids, K-5th grade are invited! We'll ask for an RSVP by Friday, January 17th, so check your calendar today to see if you can attend.

Stay tuned at the first of the new year for more information! Until then, check out the idea at allprodadchapters.com.

Contact Jane Barber, School Counselor, for questions or to sign up to help. 742-9064 or <u>barber\_jane@asdk12.org</u>.

#### **QuyanaStaff Performance Input**

Parents often stop me to share how much they value and appreciate the dedicated work they observe from our Chugiak staff each day. I typically share those celebrations with teachers and staff as they are received, individually or at staff meetings. As students, parents and community members, you are invited to provide input on teacher and administrator performance and you have a couple of options.

You may choose to complete a web-based staff eval input form by going to the <u>District Overview/</u>
<u>Staff Evaluations</u> page on the district's website through May 1. Observations shared there are forwarded to me as Chugiak's principal, and I can then share with staff. Another option is to fill out a <u>Quyana</u> on the ASD website, which is posted for public view and sent to us.

Finally, if you prefer the old fashioned ways of stopping in person or writing me a note, I look forward to hearing from you! Your input is valued and always welcome. Our overall program and student experience are strengthened through your involvement and sharing your voice!



The Chugiak Elementary Choir performed beautifully at the Eagle River Tree Lighting

#### **Kindergarten Families Survey**

ASD Preschool is working collaboratively with the Federal Office of Head Start and local Head Start agencies on improving the transition into kindergarten for families in the community. We definitely want to know what we can do to make a smooth transition into kindergarten at Chugiak! On December 2, kindergarten families received an email and text via ASD Communications prompting them to take the survey. The survey is found at <a href="https://www.asdk12.org/kindergartensurvey">https://www.asdk12.org/kindergartensurvey</a> and seeks feedback from families about their initial experience with their school, preschool experience, transition events attended within ASD and the community, and welcomes feedback. Thanks for sharing your thoughts with us!



#### Nurse Amy's News

- Please, no nuts in shared snacks for holiday celebrations. Shared food that is homemade should include a list of ingredients for students and families. Thanks for keeping our students safe.
- 7th annual Holiday gift card drive for our own Chugiak Elementary School families in need. Please turn cards into Nurse Amy by Friday, December 13, 2019. Any amount is much appreciated. The average amount of gift card donation per year for the last 7 years has been \$1000.00!!! Our community is so generous. Thanks in advance for your giving. Cards from Fred Meyer or Wal-mart are preferred.
- Nurse is in always in need of recycled newspaper bags for ice packs. Thanks!

#### Wacky Wednesday Calendar

22nd January: Neon Day 19th February: Hat Day

18th March:Mustache Day8th April:Sunglasses Day13th May:Polka-Dot Day

Every Friday is Spirit Day - Wear your Blue and Gold! The spirit wear should be in within about a week! We're getting close!



#### **Upcoming Chugiak PTO Events**



Our Winter Family Movie Night is Friday, January 31, 2020.

Doors open and snack sales begin at 5:45 p.m. Movie begins at 6:00 p.m. The film title is TBD!

Join us on Friday, February 21, 2020 for a Family Dance at Chugiak Elementary!

A DJ host will provide the tunes - your presence adds the fun!





There are a few Chugiak school shirts left from our fall pre-sale, available for purchase today! Stop in and see if your size is available.

Contact <u>chugiakptoevents@gmail.com</u> with questions.





# Fifth Grade Pyramid Fun!















THANK YOU,
Chugiak PTO,
for the generous
donation of
sleds and
playground
sport gear.

**Chugiak Elementary School** 



Winter sledding with third and fourth grade!





The recess fun is just beginning!!





TWINS DAY 2019!





TWINS
DAY
in First
Grade!

And for some of us, every day is Twins Day!!





#### 2019 ANCHORAGE



#### Do you need help making the holidays merry and bright?

This collaborative project provides food for a holiday meal and/or toys for children up to age 14 to families who need assistance this holiday season.

Please come on the day designated for your zip code.

#### To Participate - You must bring:

- 1. ID for all adults in the household
- **2. Documentation for each child in your household** (birth certificate, PFD application, public assistance or school print out/electronic copy which shows child and parent's name)
- **3. Proof of address** (photo ID/driver's license or mail with name and address)

There is no childcare on site - please make arrangements to leave children with a trusted caregiver.

ChangePoint Church | 12-7 pm

Tuesday, December 17

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#### Wednesday, December 18

99501 | 99504 | 99507 | 99509 | 99510 | 99511 | 99513 | 99514 | 99515 | 99521 | 99522 | 99540 | 99587



#### Questions? Call 2-1-1



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