

McGrath School

A center of culture, community, and academic rigor



Halloween Drive Up Trick-or-Treaters

McGrath School had to cancel the annual Halloween Carnival but we found a silver lining on Halloween Day.

Teachers met at the school Saturday, Halloween day and set up an awesome Halloween photography site and drive through for our children. Parents got the chance to take photos of their goblins and ghouls and pick up pencils (and candy) from their teachers. We really enjoyed seeing all the costumes!

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THANKSGIVING

Students can expect a nice Thanksgiving lunch this year.

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LITERACY NIGHT

We will be sending books and literacy tips home to families very soon.

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CHRISTMAS

Toys for Tots and a KSK0-partnered digital program are in the works for our children.



Cultural Dig

TCC sent out an Anthropologist to examine the "cultural layer."



Mov'n & Shak'n

Students found fire pits and the cooked bones of many little animals and birds.



Find'n Artifacts

Students identified bits of pottery and developed an eye.

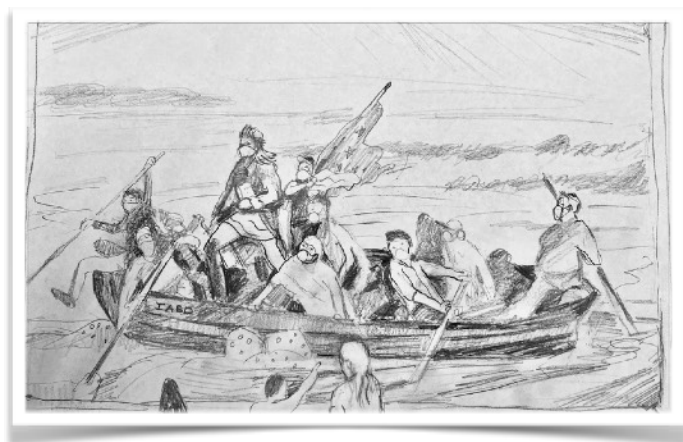
Fresh Eyes on Ice

McGrath School is participating in UAF's Fresh Eyes on Ice program, aimed at monitoring ice conditions throughout Alaska for historical record, scientific data, and to help ensure safe traveling for residents and visitors.

This program teams drone technologies, satellite photography, students and teachers with Alaska's scientific community in order to learn more about the changing ice conditions and what it means for Alaskans, whose lives are centered around our rivers and lakes.

Our classrooms will be immersed in science through documentation of our river and will be measuring our lake ice throughout the year.

Students will learn graphing skills, journaling, scientific modeling, inquiry, research, and the value of keen observations. Teachers have an opportunity to listen to elder, Sam Demientieff, reflect on the changing ice conditions from his youth to the present and ask questions.



“You have to do everything you can, you have to work your hardest, and if you do, if you stay positive, you have a shot at a silver lining.” -Bradley Cooper

McGrath School continues to serve the whole child, delivering educational and nutritional services to our children safely and responsibly. We use the best technology to sanitize our classrooms and bathrooms between groups. We've limited class sizing and offer a blended curriculum for our children. Teachers are working to make school fun and rigorous. We continue to develop engaging, Alaskan style projects that are culturally responsive.

WE ARE ON KSKO RADIO!

Great job singing the nation's states and capitals, grades 1-2! The community loved hearing your class on our local KSKO radio. Your memory skills and singing abilities were outstanding!

Great job teacher and students!

To learn more about McGrath School, or to enroll, please visit iditarodsd.org/mcgrath-school, or contact

Principal Shelborne at 907-524-1202.

May your holiday season be merry, safe, and warm!

