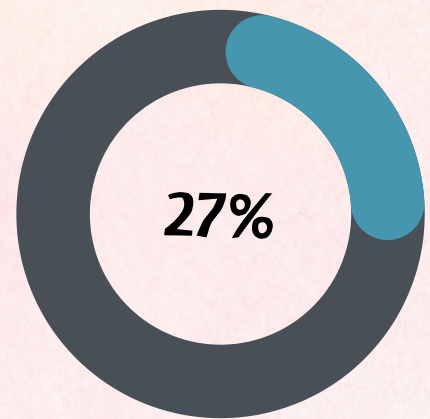
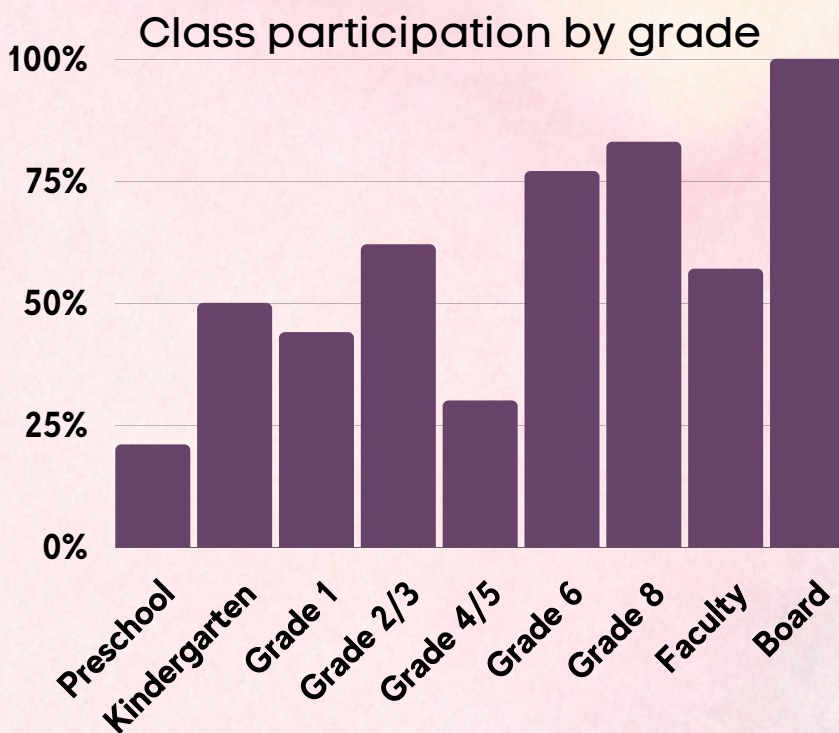




WALDORF WEEKLY

November 28th, 2021

GIVING CAMPAIGN 2021 PROGRESS



We're at % of our goal
with a total of **\$20,355**
raised as of ,
November 26 !

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Dec. 7th - Parent Council meeting via zoom @ 7pm**
- **Dec 9th- Board Meeting**
- **Dec 10th - Winter Spiral**

Unfortunately, due to a lack of interest, Winter Camp will **not** be held this year.

SNOW DAY COMMUNICATION PLAN

There are three places we monitor in order to make an informed decision on whether we will delay or cancel school in the case of winter weather events. We consider (1) 511.alaska.gov (2) dot.alaska.gov (3) the road conditions for families who live in different areas & (4) the decisions made by Anchorage School District.

In the case of delayed or cancelled school, by 6:45 am you will:

1. Receive an email from ed@waldorf.org
2. Get a text message or email from your classroom teacher
3. If you hear nothing, school is on!



Lillian & Grace,
second graders,
showing off
handmade cards.



nature
showing off
at Baxter
Bog!

COMMUNITY BOARD

Anchorage Waldorf School strives to maintain the highest duty of care to all families that we serve. If your child is injured, shows signs of illness or is in need of a disciplinary break from school then staff & faculty will use the emergency numbers that you have provided to us. In the event that you personally cannot be reached, we will attempt to contact the emergency numbers until we reach someone. If no-one is able to respond then our final efforts will be to contact the office of child services & the police so that your child will be cared for as best as possible. Throughout this time we will make every effort to keep your child as safe, comfortable and happy as possible. Hopefully we do not have to use these emergency numbers, but please ensure they are kept as up to date as possible for the benefit of our community as a whole.

THURSDAY FACULTY MEETING SNACK

Our faculty really appreciate a hearty snack during their meeting so if you like to make food, please consider signing up for a slot.

- A simple crock pot of soup and a chocolate bar is so appreciated!
- Due to some dietary restrictions, please make something vegan.
- We are asking each class to be in charge for one month. Reach out to your Parent Council Rep or call/text Wendy Turner at 907-222-1920. (She will be out of town Nov 27 -Dec 5).
- You can drop this off during morning drop-off or at 12:45(pick up) on Thursdays. Crock pots can be plugged in during the school day for warming up if needed. Label any dishes or items so we can return them to you!

Thank you to those who have already made a meal! Grade 8 started out the year with 4 meals and a handful of other parents have helped. The slots below are looking for a snack to be filled.

Our faculty really THANK YOU!

- Fireweed Preschool for January 6, 13, 20, 27
- Kindergarten for February 3, 10, 17, 24
- Grade 1 for March 3, 24, 31
- Grade 2/3 for April 7 (Thank you Lindsay and Woodrie for signing up for other April dates!
- Grade 4/5 for April 28, May 5, 12

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Phoebe- 11/2
Khalilah- 11/8
Eli- 11/18
Ms. Tre-C- 11/22
Ms. Wiley- 11/25
Elijah- 11/29

CRAFT GUILD

Join craft guild on Tuesday mornings from 8:45 to 10:45 am at King Street Brewery!

- Supplies provided!
- Masks are required & social distancing will be observed.

If you have questions, please email: Jennifer.sivils@att.net or katiakingry@hotmail.com

Hope to see you there!

PIZZA WEDNESDAY

- sign up on mon/tues
- cheese or pepperoni
- \$5 a slice
- grades 1-8 only
- please sign up a week at a time





The Anchorage
Waldorf School
Awakening Wonder

PARENT/TODDLER CLASS

Parent-child classes offer a gentle introduction to a group setting. Held in a warm, home-like environment, your children will experience circle time, free play, and a warm snack. Parents will enjoy learning about Waldorf Education & their developing child, as well as a seasonal craft.

4 WEEK SESSION

held at:

**Anchorage Waldorf
School**

3250 Baxter Rd

\$150 for 4 classes

TUESDAYS

February

1,8,15 & 22

11:00-12:30 pm

THURSDAYS

February

3, 10, 17 & 24

11:00-12:30 pm

tear here and return along with payment & drop in deposit box

make check payable to Anchorage Waldorf School

Your name: _____

Contact phone: _____

email address: _____

Child's name: _____

Age of child as of Feb 1 _____

mailing address:

Chosen Session - please circle

Tuesdays Thursdays

WINTER SPIRAL *Friday, December 10th*

Preschool- 5:00 pm, Kindergarten- 5:20, First Grade- 5:40,

Grade 2/3- 6:00, Open to the Community- 6:30

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The Winter (Advent) Spiral is a celebration that is unique in our calendar of the year. There are no presentations by the grades, no speeches by the administration. Instead, we sit in silence with the night and listen to lovely harp music as a candle is lit in the center of a spiral of evergreen boughs, a symbol of life amidst the dead of winter. Then, as quiet music plays, each child in turn takes an apple with a golden candle into the center of that spiral and lights it, then places the apple on a star along the path. The lights brighten the path for those who come after.

Each child walks alone, at his or her own pace, in his or her own way.

This is a celebration of quiet confidence, of carrying light in darkness, of sharing that light with others. You are invited to attend this festival, not only to watch your own children, but to watch how they are in the community of their peers. How does each child approach the candle at the center of the spiral? Are his footsteps halting or rapid? Does she stop along the way to consider each golden star in the path before placing her candle near the way out of the spiral, or does she set it down right away and hurry on without looking back? Being a witness to this journey can be a moving experience, for adults and children alike.

We are entering the darkest days of the year. Holiday preparations are in full swing, and our minds swirl with up coming plans. When we look out into the natural world, we see the opposite of this constant, hurried motion. The earth is growing quiet. The plants and animals are storing away food for the cold months or preparing to sink into dormancy. As the snow comes, the quiet becomes even deeper. Celebrations of light, community, sharing — remind us to carry the gifts of summer with us into the quiet of winter. At the time of the longest night, we find joyful celebrations of returning light.

- Arrive on time. Your student will gather by their classroom. Then we will wait quietly until it is our turn to walk.
- For safety please don't wear long flowy skirts or pants & have your hair tied back!
- Please enjoy the moment. We ask that you don't use your cell phone or takes photos.
- If younger siblings are attending, please bring something quiet to entertain them.
- Once the entire class has completed their walk, they will come to you. You are free then to quietly make your way back to your car and enjoy a gentle evening together.

