



WALDORF WEEKLY

January 15th, 2022

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day is Monday, January 17th - we will not have classes on Monday. On Tuesday, students will be discussing the legacy Dr. King gave all of us and why we commemorate his life.

Dr. King once said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is:

'What are you doing for others?'"

In his tireless work for equality and justice for all, he recognized that helping each other will help move us all forward.



DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Mon, Jan 17** - Martin Luther King Day, NO SCHOOL
- **Wed, Jan 19** (8:30-10:30am) - Craft Guild - Great Hall
- **Wed, Jan 26** (8:30-10:30am) - How to Knit Class - Great Hall
- **Wed, Jan 26** (7-8 pm) - Alumni Virtual Night
- **Thurs, Jan 27** (1:00-3:00) - All School **Skating Social at Cheney Lake** (Grades 4/5 to host)
- **Sat, Jan 29** - School Fair at Z.J. Loussac Library Learning Commons (4th Floor) - tell friends who may be interested in AWS



- Ms. Thorpe- 1/4
- Raider- 1/10
- Lillian B.- 1/17
- Ms. Chaeli- 1/19



The Association of Waldorf Schools of North America (AWSNA) has asked Waldorf parents to complete this survey from the Research Institute for Waldorf Education (RIWE) to share our Waldorf experiences. **Please complete this survey by February 4th.**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FQTL9BJ>

CAMPUS NEWS & UPDATES

Craft Guild has moved back to AWS Campus and is now on Wednesday mornings from 8:30-10:30am in the Great Hall!

- Supplies provided!
- Masks are required & social distancing is observed.
- If you have questions, please email:
Jennifer.sivils@att.net/katiakingry@hotmail.com



LEARN TO KNIT CLASS on Wednesday, January 26 (anytime between 8:30-10:30) at the Great Hall AWS Campus



Have you glanced at your child's knitted creations wishing you could knit? Have you tried and tried to learn to knit, but just can't quite get it? Please come anytime between 8:30-10:30am to AWS's Great Hall for the Craft Guild's **FREE Learn to Knit Class on January 26th**. All supplies provided.

Come by the front office to purchase a beautiful set of blank cards - \$15/ea.

Each drawing is by one of our 6th graders - there are 4 different sets, with 12 in each pack!

All funds go to the Class of 2024's end of year fieldtrip!



PIZZA WEDNESDAY IS ON HOLD

The 8th grade is taking a break from pizza Wednesday as we are not getting enough orders to break even on pizza costs. We will let everyone know if we decide to pick it up again later this year.

Cheers,
Ms. Spencer



2022 CALENDARS FOR SALE

Waldorf
WALL CALENDAR
2022

There are Waldorf Calendars for sale at front desk for \$20/ea - by Summerfield Waldorf School & Farm. Next year, we hope to create our own calendar with AWS Student Art.

COMMUNITY BOARD

Pick.Click.Give.

GIVING TO THE ANCHORAGE WALDORF AREA OF GREATEST NEED FUND IS EASY WITH PICK.CLICK.GIVE.

2022 PFD Application is open!



You can file right now and when you do, we hope you will select us to make a gift to Anchorage Waldorf School through the Pick.Click.Give. program!

pfd.alaska.gov



SPACE IS STILL AVAILABLE IN TUESDAY'S CLASS



amazon SMILE

We received \$52 this quarter from those who are ordering from AmazonSmile

TYPE IN SMILE.AMAZON.COM INSTEAD OF JUST AMAZON.COM ADD ANCHORAGE WALDORF EDUCATION ASSOCIATION INC. AS YOUR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

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please share the love by giving us a positive 5 star review on fb and google

Waldorf School 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

ALUMNI NIGHT

Plan to join virtually from 7-8pm on Wednesday, January 26th!

PRESENTING:

- **Mary Ruebelmann** - English and Spanish teacher at Bettye Davis East Anchorage High School
- **Yuta Takagi**- Graduated from AWS in 2008
- **Gary Snyder**- Biology teacher at East High School
- More names to come as we finalize the list


Zoom Link in next week's newsletter

COMMUNITY HEALTH NEWS

Dear community--

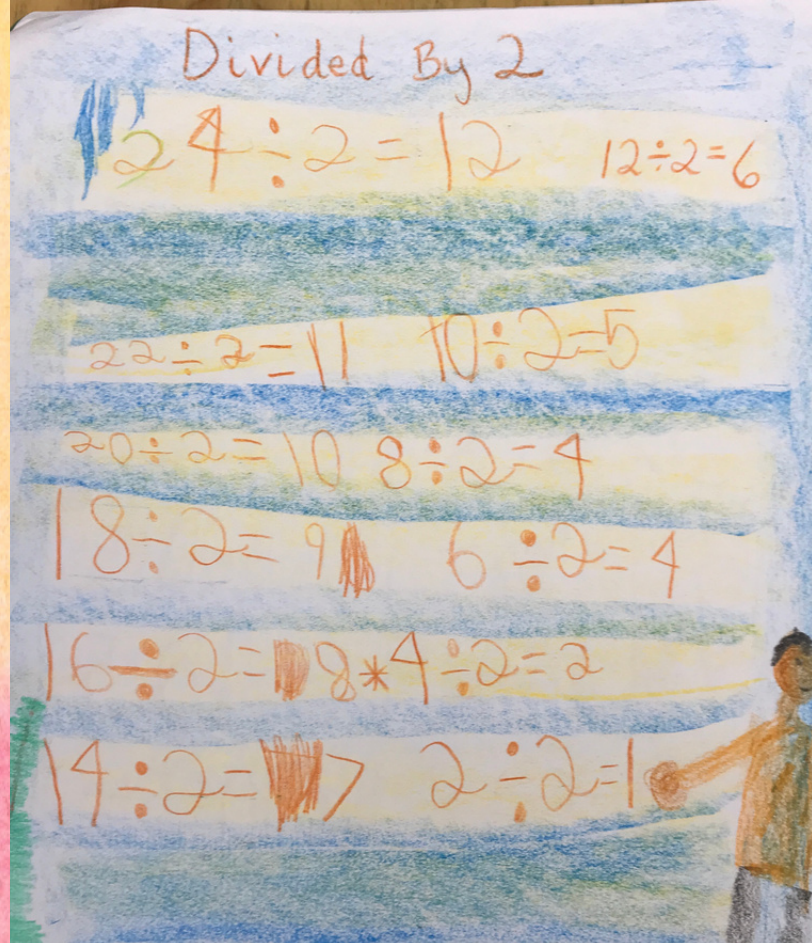
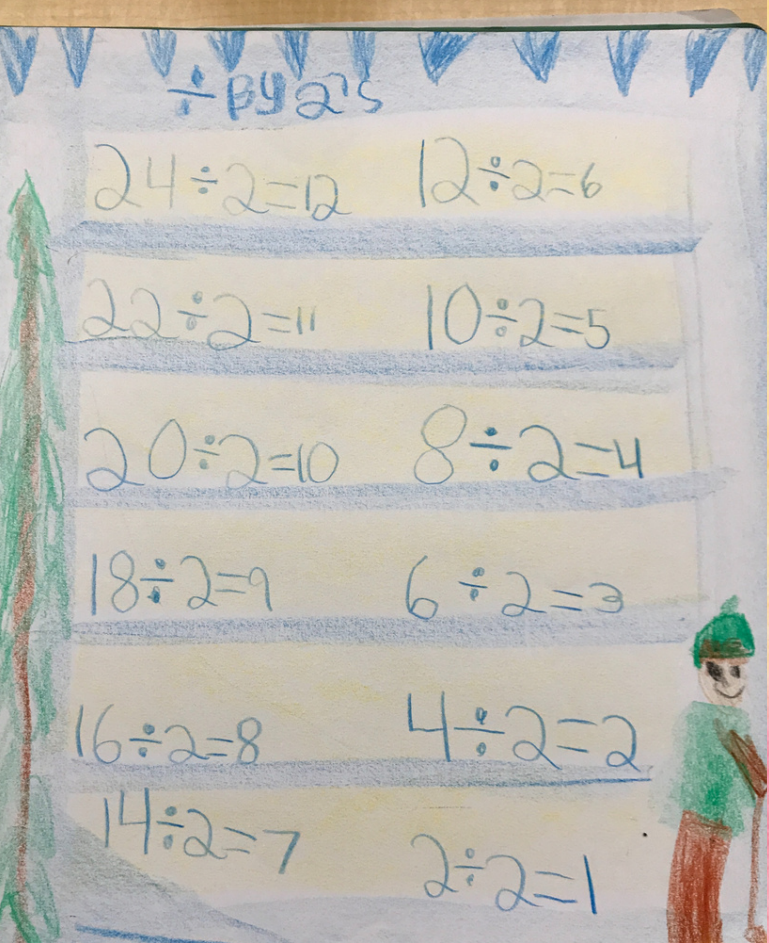
We wanted to inform you that we are monitoring COVID in our greater Anchorage community as well as our AWS school community. In this past week we have seen an increase in both. We want to do our best to limit the spread. AND, operationally speaking we want to remind families that there is a chance that we might have to close school for a couple days or extend a weekend if we are unable to staff our classrooms. We ask that you continue to keep our administration and your teachers informed if you suspect your child will be out of school as soon as you are able to. This helps us to identify if there is any transmission in our classrooms. We will continue to maintain transparency and strive to keep information flowing for the comfort of all. Thank you for all your efforts and help!

Yours Anchorage Waldorf School



We are working on potential changes for our morning drop off procedures due to vehicle accidents and several near misses between vehicles and students in our parking lot. Please be cautious while bringing your children to school.

FIRST GRADE

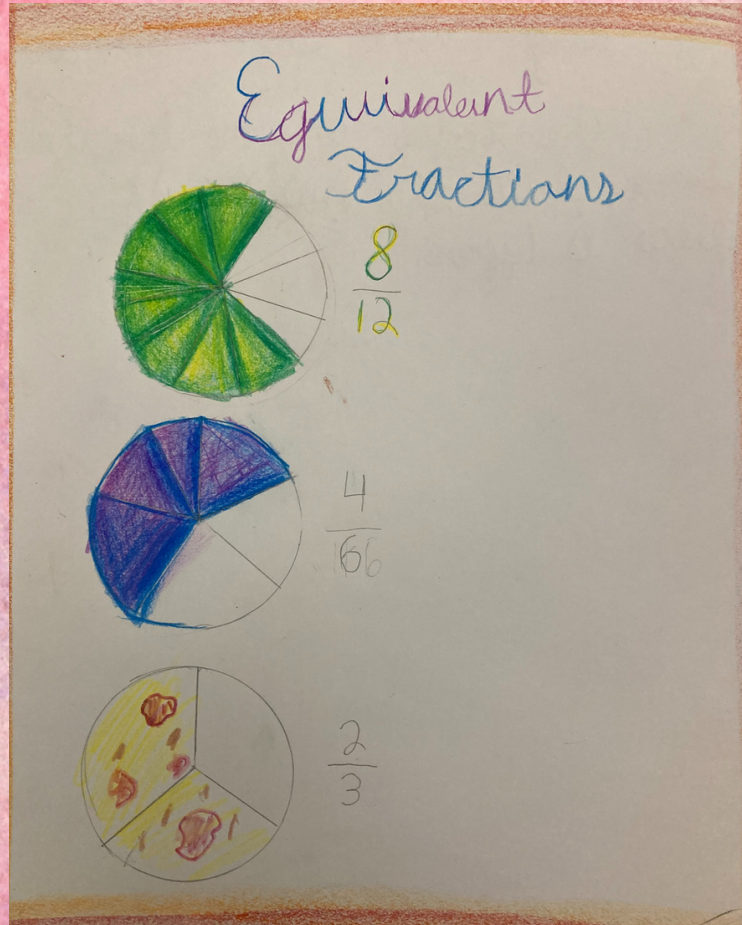
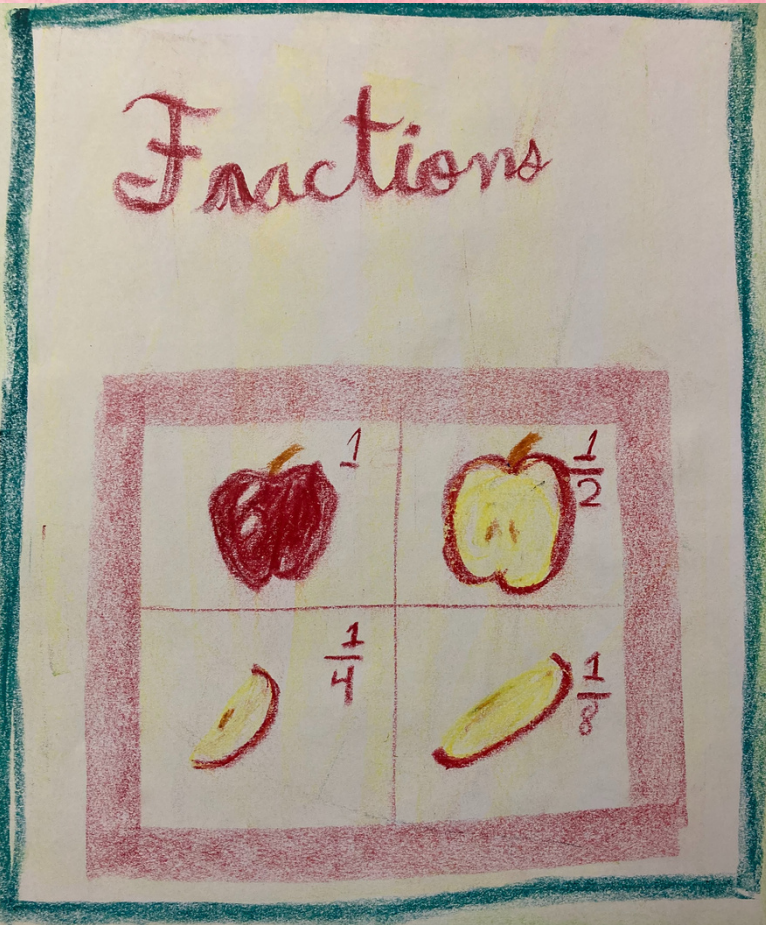


The first graders have been working through some division in our second math block. We've learned how to divide by 10, 5 and 2. Here are some examples of their work!

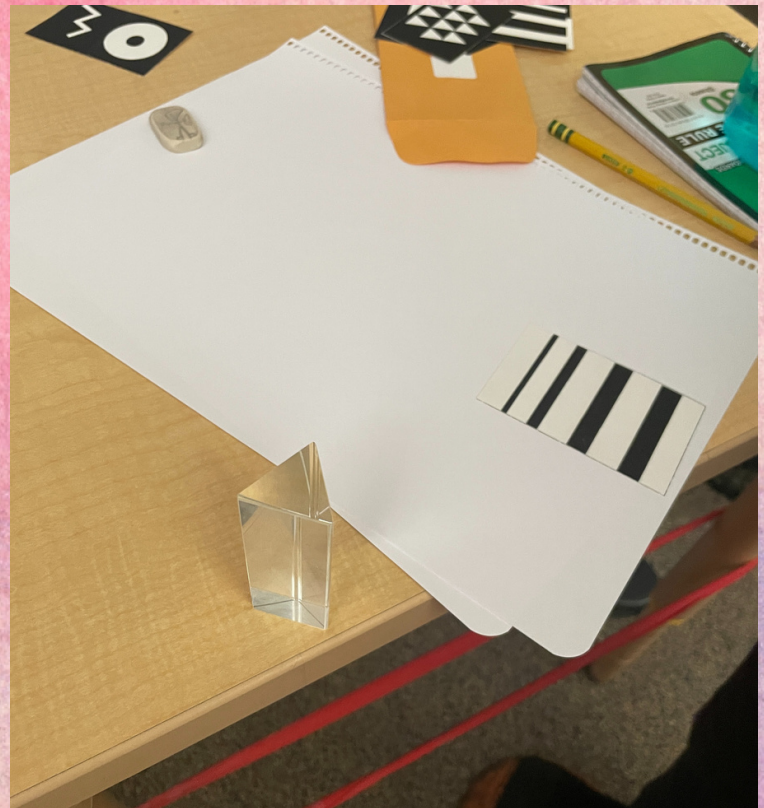
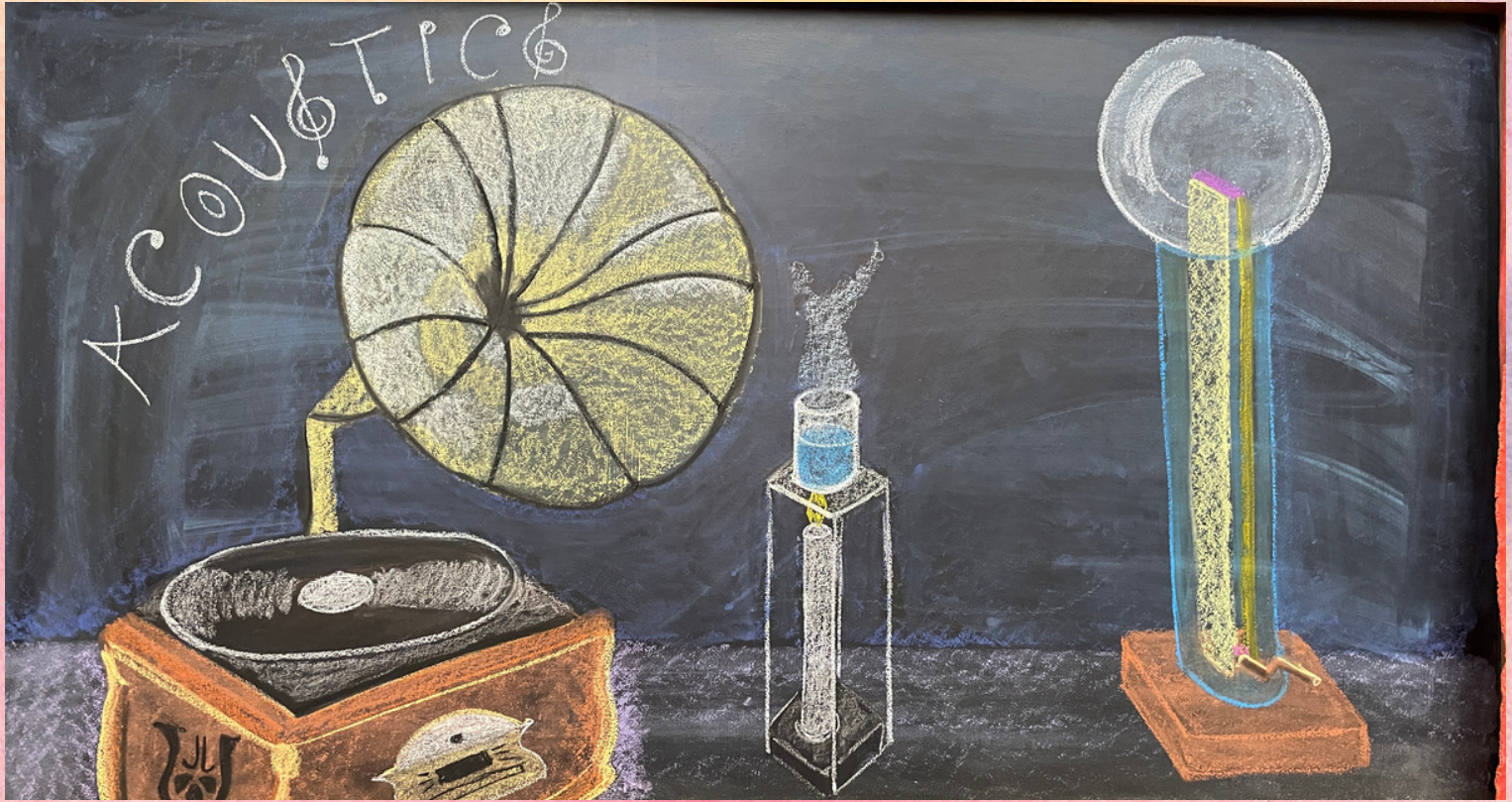




2/3 has enjoyed early morning stretching during Circle. Last Wednesday, the students marveled at how beautiful all of our hands looked stretched out together to make a smaller circle. The students have also been overjoyed to return to the Bog in the New Year and see what was different from a new perspective.



This week Grade 4/5 is learning about fractions by dividing a whole into equal parts. The students are diving into the study of equivalent fractions by using egg cartons as a visual for understanding how two fractions with the same amounts but different number of pieces are equal to each other.

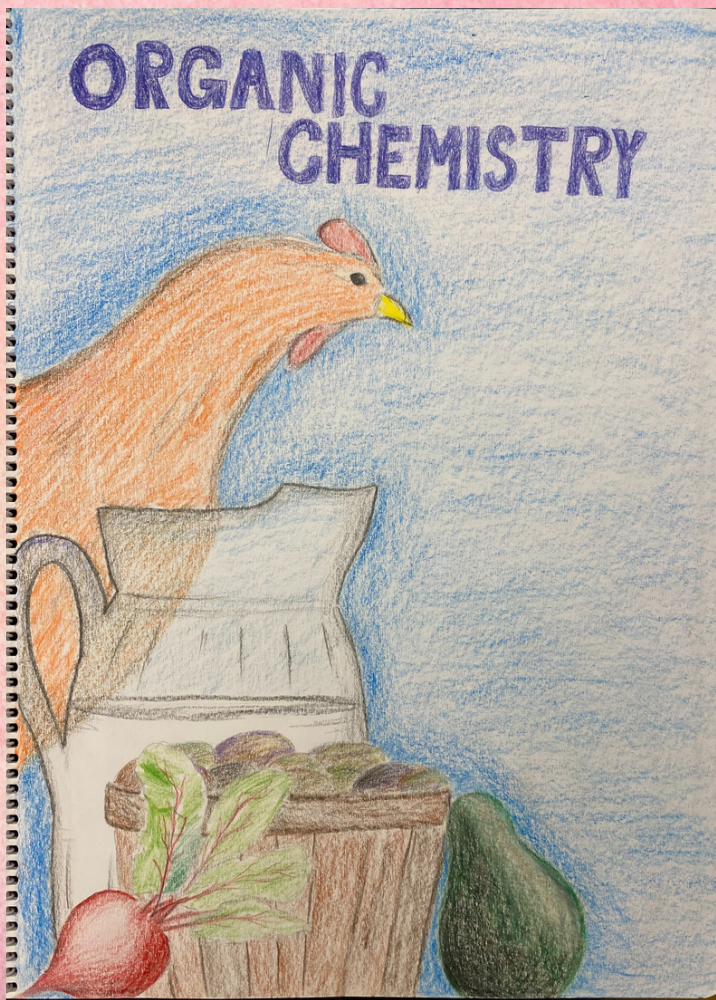


Class 6 has been discovering truths in the realm of acoustics and light these past few weeks in our study of Physics. We approach this by looking at phenomena and asking the children where they have experienced similar observations. The students are guided as they make connections between what they have experienced and the concepts of Physics that are being shown to them. I love this type of exploration as a teacher - I get to amaze the students with something new every day and their love of exploration and wonder is stoked. Next week I hope to show you a few of the images they may produce from their own pinhole cameras!

with warmth, Shannon Herda

TYPES OF SUGAR

	Scientific name	Commercial name	Source
Monosaccharides	Fructose	Suculose	Honey, Grapes, Dates
	Glucose	Dextrose	Bananas, Human Blood, Grapes, milk
	Galactose	Hydrolyzed lactose	
Disaccharides	Sucrose	Milk sugar	Milk from mammals
	Sucrose	Cane sugar	Sugar cane / beets
	Maltose	Malt sugar	Sprouted barley
Polysaccharides	Starch	n/a	Corn, rice, potato
	Cellulose	n/a	Plants
	Pectins	n/a	Plants



8th grade is spending January in an Organic Chemistry block where we have been learning all about sugars, starches, proteins and fats.

Ms. Spencer