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Susan B. English School News



SBE Report by Rochelle Purpura

SBE Sports Report by Katie O'Leary

Students Get Current

"All I know is what I read in newspapers."
– Will Rogers

It could have been lately when you noticed that your child was reading the newspaper. Did they all of a sudden take up a strong feeling to learn more about the world around them? Well it could be that too, but if not they might be looking for an article for their next Current Event. That's right, two teachers have brought back an old tradition started by Miss. Dubber, the history teacher at Susan B. English from two years ago. The purpose of the Current Event is to get students more interested in what is happening around the world beyond their sheltered home in Seldovia.

Mr. Winters has imposed Current Events for his Science Class, due every Friday. To stay on the subject of science, students must look for articles, online or in the newspaper, that correspond with science related topics. Current Events must be typed and include a description from the student on the who, what, when, where and why of the article. There have been countless Current Events on subjects ranging from climate change to new species discovery and everything in between.

In Ms. Burnett's American History Class, Current Events are done rather differently. Students only have one Current Event due per month and that Current Event must relate to what they are learning in class. Though it would be very hard to find a recent article about

Thunder Claps

What a weekend! Two new second place trophies are on display at Susan B. English School. The first is from the junior high girls' basketball team taking second at their regional meet, and the second is the high school volleyball team taking second at the Seldovia Slam.

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SBE girls' basketball started their competition Friday, November 16, hosted by Cook Inlet Academy at the Kenai Recreational Center/ CIA school. Playing two games on Friday against Homer Middle School's "B" team and the second against the Ninilchik Wolverines. In both games, the Otter Girls were victorious sending them into the championship on Saturday. Saturday the girls played the home team, CIA for the championship. Every athlete knows playing the home team is a hard thing, especially in a championship. The Sea Otters held strong, but lost the game taking second in the tournament.

Stepping up, the SBE girls hammered their opponents on Friday during the Seldovia Slam home tourney. The tournament began at 9 a.m. on Friday, finishing at 10PM. Saturday's playing time was 9 a.m. to noon. With six teams' total in a round robin tourney, each team played five games total, four on Friday and one on Saturday.

The six teams to compete were Akiachak White, Akiachak Blue,

the Civil War or the Salem Witch Trials students find their own ways to tie in modern day events with history. Some students are even rather surprised at how well we can relate our present to our past.

Yet you may be left asking if students and current world events should be mixed in the classroom. The answer is quite simple, just merely reading over articles in a newspaper will increase awareness and interest in world events. Students who become more interested in the world around them become better prepared for life on their own. Learning about current events will also amplify student's curiosity for them outside of the classroom. In the world we live in today it is better for students be educated in more than just what happens in their own town, state or country. Students can learn and grow from everything they read, whether it be from a good book or a good newspaper article.

Kalskag Grizzlies, Ninilchik Wolverines, Seldovia Sea Otters and Tok Wolverines. This might seem weird, with two Akiachak teams. When a school dropped out of the tourney with only three days notice, Coach Lisa O'Leary and her team could not find a replacement team. This is when Akiachak offered to field two teams (their team has a total of sixteen girls!). After winning both games against Akiachak, at 3 p.m. the Sea Otters faced the ferocious grizzlies taking another win for three in a row! At 7 p.m. the big game of the weekend began, Seldovia vs. Ninilchik. For those unfamiliar with our school politics, Seldovia and Ninilchik have been rivals for decades. This volleyball game could also cancel out one of the Sea Otters' previous losses to the Wolverines, tying them up with each other for region seeding.

The game was on! Ninilchik took the first of the three games with a squeeze by 26-24. But, the Otters came back with a hard return taking the second game 25-20. The third and final game was only to fifteen points; Ninilchik won the coin toss for first serve, the Otters choosing their side. After first server from Ninilchik the score was 4-1 Ninilchik, but the Otters fought for the win and brought it back taking the game and match 15-8. A great win for the Otters and a huge mental obstacle overcome in the region. On Saturday, the Otters were pumped up and ready to play Tok Wolverines. Unfortunately, Tok responded just as hard and took the game, also taking first in the tourney.

The final standings of the tourney were first place Tok Wolverines, second place Seldovia Sea Otters, third place Ninilchik Wolverines, fourth place Kalskag Grizzlies, fifth place Akiachak White, and sixth place Akiachak Blue. From Seldovia the players were, in corresponding order with the games, Chelsea Suydam, Katie O'Leary, Kristy Gallien, Alyssa Burt, and Courtney Collier. For the All Tournament Team vote were Katie O'Leary, Kristy Gallien and Chelsea Suydam.

School Calendar	School Sports Schedule 2007-08
<p><i>Scheduled at the school:</i></p> <p>Fluoride permission slips were sent home yesterday. Attached is a copy if you did not receive one. Please turn these in no later than <u>Monday morning</u>. Debbie Hecks will be working with the Homer Clinic 235-2311 if questions. Fluoride will be administered after lunch on <u>Monday, 12/10</u>.</p> <p>Spelling Bee competition for 4-8th graders: <u>Tuesday, 12/11 @ 2:30</u> in the commons</p> <p>Art Show @ 7:00 in commons with desserts and door prizes – Art and Photography students will have a silent auction of their works. <u>Tuesday, 12/11</u></p> <hr/> <p>SPORTS: *PARTICIPANTS must have a CURRENT PHYSICAL on file before they are eligible to start practice. PARTICPATION forms must be filled out and on file in the office. FORMS are available in the office and on Ed-line. SPORT SCHEDULES available on ED LINE.</p> <p>ATTACHMENT: Sports Schedule 2007-08 If you're in the area and we have a game/meet</p>	<p>High School Volleyball Borealis Tournaments <i>Coach: Lisa O'Leary</i> **NOTE: Schedule updates TBA Season: September 17, 2007 – December 8, 2007 November 16-17 Seldovia Tourney (CIA, Kenny Lake, Tok, Kalskag) Nov 30 – Dec 1 Conference Tournament @ Ninilchik December 6-8 STATE @ Dimond High School</p>

going on STOP IN. The players would love to see and have Seldovians cheer them on. **Ed Line will have information on team travel and game/meets scheduled times.** This information is available for anyone to view. Go to our district website: www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us To find the details on events, double click on the event. If you have questions, please call the school, 234-7616.

If you are interested in helping out during home games (concessions, feeding teams, taking tickets, keeping score, clock, the list goes on and on), please call the school; 234-7616.

HELP is always needed and you don't have to have kids in school or have them participating in an event to help out. We NEED more volunteers, there's no job to hard for a willing body to help fill a need.

High School Wrestling

Coach: Dan Blodgett
Season: October 1, 2007 – December 15, 2007

November 16-17 King of the Mountain @ Seward
November 23-24 Round Robin Rumble @ HH
December 7-8 Regions @ ????
December 14-15 STATE @ Mt Edgecombe

Jr. High Basketball

Coach: Alvin Swick
**NOTE: Schedule TBA
Season: October 1, 2007 – December 8, 2007

October 29 Competitive play begins

High School Boys & Girls Basketball

Coach Russ Radliff
Season: November 26, 2007 – March 20, 2008
November 26 Practice / Season BEGINS {*ASAA start date}
December 13-15 Delta Junction Tourney
January 11-12 Niniichik
January 18 HOME GAME: Bristol Bay
January 25 HOME GAME: Niniichik
January 26 HOME GAME: Niniichik JV Scrimmage
January 29 Nikolaevsk Girls @ 6:00 Boys @ 8:00
Jan 30- Feb 2 NIT Tournament
February 15 Lumen Christi
February 21-23 Seldovia Tournament (Bristol Bay, Lumen Christi, Nikoleavsk)
February 29 CIA Varsity
March 1 CIA JV Boys
March 7-12 Region Tourney Ila hosted by CIA
March 18-20 State Ila

Jr. High Girls Volleyball

Coach: TBA

****NOTE:** Schedule TBA
 Season: January 7, 2008 – March 1, 2008
January 7 Practice / Season BEGINS
February 4 Competitive play begins

Jr. High Wrestling

Coach: Coach Blodgett

****NOTE:** Schedule TBA
 Season: January 7, 2008 – March 1, 2008
January 7 Practice / Season BEGINS
January 18 Competitive play begins

High School Coed

Track *Coach: Tim Winters*

****NOTE:** Schedule TBA
 Season: March 10, 2008 – May 24, 2008
March 10 Practice / Season BEGINS {*ASAA start date}

March 21 Competitive play begins

May 3 Track & Field @ HH

Jr. High Coed Track

Coach: Tim Winters

Season: March 31, 2008 – May 10, 2008
March 31 Practice / Season BEGINS

SBE Academics		
"A" Honor Roll	"B" Honor Roll	

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[KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES GUIDELINES \(click here for pdf\)](#)

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