

**February 2012**  
**Ms. Val and Ms. Annie's Class**

**Career Study**

Hopefully your child has started working on his/her Career Poster Presentation. Please help pace your child on the project, so that it is not rushed (and stressful) at the end. We hope the children are having fun learning about the occupations which interest them. The students will be presenting their Career Projects throughout the week of February 21st. If they have put together a uniform to wear for their presentation, please pack it in a separate bag (labeled with his/her name), and we will allow them to change before their presentation. If you would like to come in to watch your child present, please let us know!



**Dental Health Month**

February is National Dental Health month! We will be learning all about the importance of taking care of our teeth.



**Valentine's Day**

On Valentine's Day, our class will be having a small celebration in the afternoon. We will be passing out valentines and doing some fun activities.



If you would like to send in a healthy snack to share with the class, it would be greatly appreciated! Please let us know what you plan to bring so we can coordinate.

**Healthy snack ideas:**

- Apples and Peanut Butter
- Fruit Kabobs
- Granola Bars
- Veggie Trays
- Frozen Yogurts
- Cheese Sticks

**AddVantage+MR**  
**Math Training**

This year Alice King teachers have been participating in a series of workshops on the way children develop understandings about mathematical concepts. The K-1 teachers recently attended this workshop for 4 days in the last couple of weeks. We are all very excited to begin implementing some of this new knowledge in our classrooms. **Thank you so much to our sweet volunteers** who helped Ms. Annie in the classroom while I was away.



**NWEA Testing**

Our class will be doing our 2nd round of computer assessments on Tuesday, February 21st. The students will be testing throughout the day in reading and math. Please make sure that your child gets plenty of rest the night before and eats a healthy breakfast in the morning.

**Important Dates**

**Tues. Feb. 14th:** Valentines Day!

**Wed. Feb. 15th:** Open House for prospective families.

**Mon. Feb. 20th:** President's Day, no school.

**Tues. Feb. 21st:** NWEA Testing & Career Projects Due.

**Fri. Feb. 24th:** School Day.

We will start scheduling conferences later this month for times beginning on March 1, 2012.



We hope that everyone has a wonderful February. Please let us know if you have any questions. Take care!

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## Class List

Here is a Class list for Valentine's Day. If your child is going to pass out Valentines, please make sure they have enough for everyone. We try to promote healthy eating, so please try not to send any Candy with your Valentines!

Bailey

Chloe

Cole

Dominic

Dylan

Eco

Faith

Hayden

Indigo

James

Joe

Joey

Kaylee

Keowyn

Kylee

Lauren

Luke

Maisie

Mason

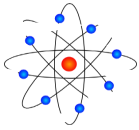
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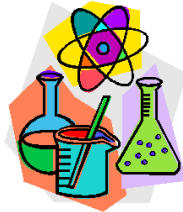
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Viviana



## Please read: Science Fair Information

Our class will be doing one experiment together to enter into the school science fair. Please read below for more important information about the first Alice King Community School Science Fair.



**K-1 teachers are encouraging (but not requiring) children to participate in the science fair. It is fine to have siblings or friends share a family experiment and submit together.**

**Event: Sandia Science Day When: Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: School hours (8:30-3:15)**

**Details: Sandia National Labs will bring 8-12 interactive science kits. Students will rotate among stations with teachers, and parent helpers.**

***The science fair committee has told us that each teacher needs to ask 4 parent helpers to help run the Sandia science booths on 2/24: 2 parents from 9pm-12pm 2 parents 12pm-3pm. If you can PLEASE help us on 2/24, either morning or afternoon, let us know! (Thank you!)***

**March 5<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>** Science fair projects are evaluated in individual classrooms.

**March 7<sup>th</sup>** -Parent walk thru will take place after school until 5pm. Families can come and see the projects that are set up in individual classrooms. Classes will walk around and observe projects (we are putting together a schedule for this). Children must collect projects to take home before the weekend.

We will be following the Science Fair Guidelines located at this site:

<http://ycjUSD.dunlap.schoolfusion.us/modules/groups/homepagefiles/cms/138946/File/ScienceFairGuide14.pdf?sessionid=12d6f93175909b3ca9c54907c52ce101>

**Science Project Ideas:** [www.sciencekids.co.nz/projects.htm](http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/projects.htm); [www.sciencemadesimple.com](http://www.sciencemadesimple.com);  
[www.all-science-fair-projects.com](http://www.all-science-fair-projects.com)