



Shaw Island School District 10

February 2024

Dear Shaw Community,

It has been another productive year at Shaw School. Our upper grade students have been busy fundraising for their Spring trip to Washington, D.C., and they have done a super job in their fundraising efforts! Our younger students continue to make amazing learning strides in all areas of their studies. I am so proud of each of our students for all their hard work and of their amazing teachers Diane and Abi who ensure such learning strides!

We had to postpone our Winter Program due to all the cold and flu bugs that swam through our students after lying dormant through the pandemic! All kiddos seem to be well now, so the program was held on January 19th. Unfortunately, that happened to be during our freezing snow days which kept some of you at home. For those many who were able to brave the weather, the performance was one of the very best, and a great time was had by all.

This year we started our Transition to Kindergarten (TK) program with one student. What a success this has already been. Our little guy has fully integrated into the classroom with his older peers, and his learning has been off the charts. We are thrilled that he is with us and look forward to more TK students in the upcoming years! If you know a Shaw child who will be 4 years old before August 31st, please encourage the parents to contact us for more information!!

We have had great news in our fundraising efforts to build teacher housing. Just recently, an anonymous donor pledged a donation of \$500,000.00. We are beyond thrilled as adding this to our already hefty numbers gives us a total of over \$871,000.00 toward our goal of ensuring enough money to build these homes. Our board of directors has approved submission of construction permits, and over the next month, they will be discussing next steps as we get closer to making teacher housing a reality. To reach our goal, we still NEED YOUR DONATION. Please let us know if you can help!

The weather seems to be warming up a bit and hopefully that means that winter is coming to a close and spring is around the corner. Stay well and healthy!

Best Wishes,

Kari