Four Valleys Community School

Fall is here, and we're jumping right in! From fun new classes to drop-in sports that get you moving, there's plenty happening at FVCS this fall.

Have an idea for a class you'd love to teach? We'd love to hear from you! Reach out and let us know what you have in mind.



Curious about what's happening at FVCS?

Explore our interactive program calendar! Click any class title to learn more or register. You might even catch some sneak peeks of our upcoming programming.

Fall Programming

USFS Naturalists Presents

FABULOUS FUNGI!

Learn about fascinating fungi
and the important jobs they do in our ecosystems.

GAMES & OUTDOOR EXPLORATION

K - 4th Grade

Wednesday, Sep 9
2:45 - 4:00 pm

$10

Details & Registration:
fourvalleys.org



Register Here!

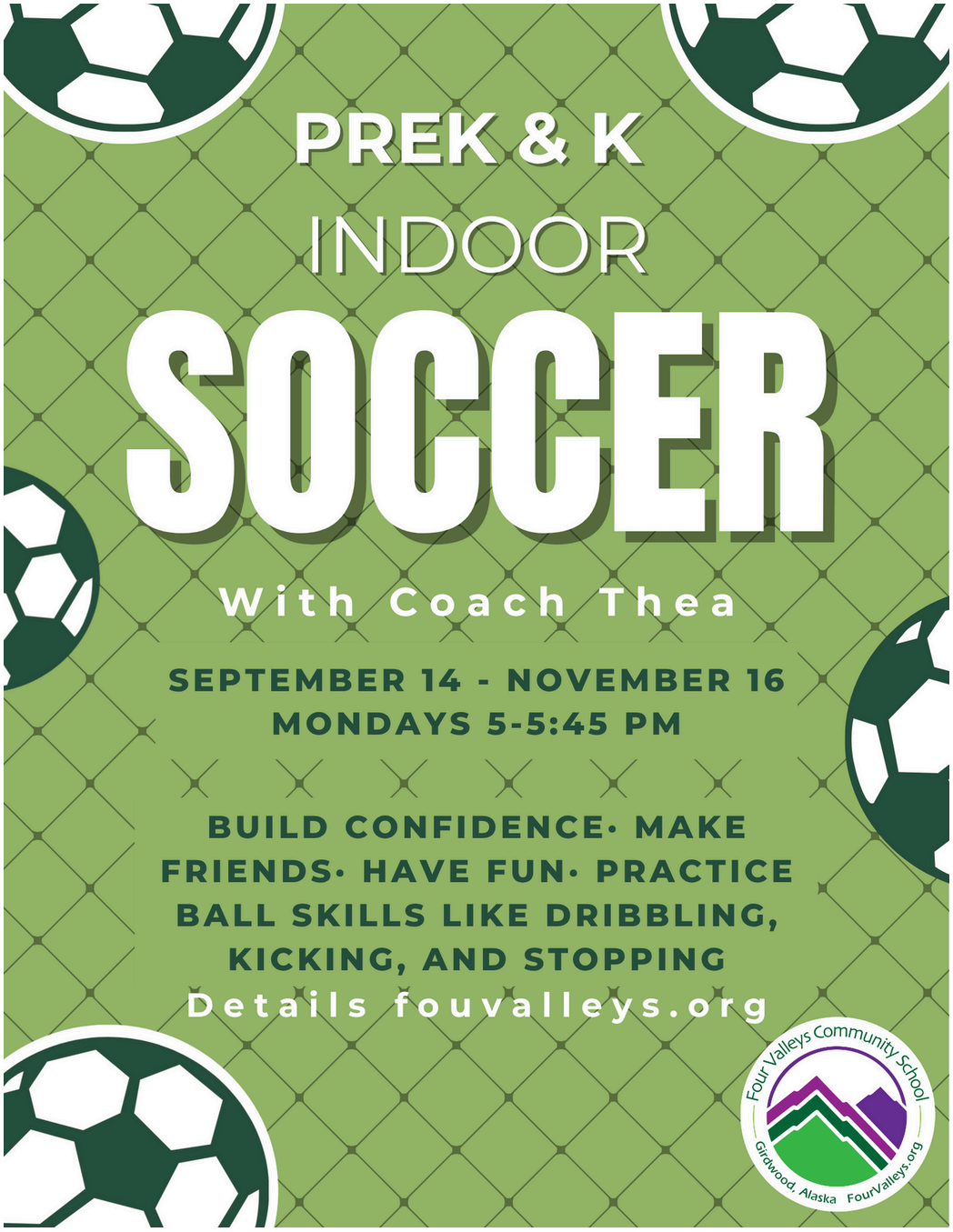




Register Here!


DROP-IN
SPORTS
FALL 2026
Adults & teens ages 16+
6 PM - 8 PM
Girdwood School Gym
PICKLEBALL:
TUES & THURS
BASKETBALL:
WED
$5
per session
FOURVALLEYS.ORG


2026 Fall
ROMP-N-ROAR
For ages 0-5 (preschoolers) and their parents
Girdwood School Gym
Wednesdays, 4:45 PM - 6:00 PM
Sep 2 - Dec 9
$3 PER FAMILY
Wear non-marking shoes
Feel free to bring a bike and a helmet.
Details at:
fourvallerys.org



Register Here!



Register Ages 5-7

Register Ages 8+



Sign Up Here!

Community Connections

GIRDWOOD ART INSTITUTE PRESENTS

STUDENT WORKS SHOW

FROM THE 41ST ANNUAL GIRDWOOD FINE ARTS CAMP

AND



THE END OF FISHING SEASON CONTEST "THE BEST SALMON DIP IN GIRDWOOD"

(CONTESTANTS ARE ASKED TO BRING THEIR RECIPE)



FIRST FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH 6-8PM



HOSTED BY ALPENGLOW COFFEEHOUSE

140 OLYMPIC MOUNTAIN LOOP

NOAA FISHERIES

Sunday, September 13, 2026

BELUGAS COUNT!

FREE! FAMILY FRIENDLY

CELEBRATE THE ENDANGERED COOK INLET BELUGA WHALE



Cook Inlet BELUGAS COUNT!

10 a.m.–1 p.m.
Multiple viewing stations along the shores of Cook Inlet from Anchorage to Kenai.

BRING YOUR OWN BINOCULARS! (AND CAMERA)

FIND VIEWING LOCATIONS AND LEARN MORE

1–4 p.m.
Join us at the Alaska Zoo for a free* afternoon festival featuring:

- Meet & greets with beluga scientists
- Fun, interactive educational activities
- Live presentations by species experts

*Festival admission is free. Regular zoo exhibits are separate and subject to standard entrance fees.

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS!

Matson · The Cook Inlet Beluga Whale Photo-id Project SEEN BELUGAS? · The Alaska Zoo · Defenders of Wildlife · The Anchorage Coastal Wildlife Refuge Friends of · Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center

Alaska Wildlife Alliance · AOOS · Glacier Oilfield · Hilcorp · KPC · Mystic Aquarium · BOEM

SEPTEMBER 2026

Scott & Wesley Gerrish Library

250 Egloff Dr. | (907) 343-4024

*Call or email **LibraryGirdwood@anchorageak.gov** to request ADA accommodations*

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 **10:30AM** Free Play Morning **1PM** Knot Just Knitters	2 **10:30AM** Family Storytime	3 **4PM** Game Night	4 **4PM** Family Movie Night	5 **Branch Libraries Closed for Labor Day**
8 **10:30AM** Free Play Morning **1PM** Knot Just Knitters	9 **10:30AM** Family Storytime	10 **4PM** Game Night	11	12 **11AM** Mushroom Masterpieces
15 **10:30AM** Free Play Morning **1PM** Knot Just Knitters	16 **10:30AM** Family Storytime	17 **4PM** Game Night	18 **Stuffed Animal Sleepover!**	19
22 **10:30AM** Free Play Morning **1PM** Knot Just Knitters	23 **10:30AM** Family Storytime **2PM** Housing Resource Fair	24 **4PM** Game Night	25 **4PM** Family Movie Night	26 **4:30PM** Gerrish Book Club
29 **10:30AM** Free Play Morning **1PM** Knot Just Knitters	30 **10:30AM** Family Storytime			

HOURS OF OPERATION

Tuesday: 10:00am—6:00pm
Wednesday: 10:00am—6:00pm
Thursday: 10:00am—6:00pm
Friday: 10:00am—6:00pm
Saturday: 10:00am—6:00pm
Sunday: CLOSED
Monday: CLOSED

LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY EVENTS:

September is Library Card Sign Up Month!

HOLIDAY CLOSURE

- *Labor Day*: Branches will be closed on Saturday, September 5, 2026. Loussac Library will be closed Monday, September 7, 2026.

ANCHORAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY
anchoragelibrary.org

WEEKLY STORYTIMES

FAMILY STORYTIME
Wednesdays at 10:30 AM
Stories, songs, and more to build early literacy skills; a blend of fun and education for children birth through kindergarten and their caregivers.

FEATURED

KINDERGARTEN
Ongoing; self-directed
Read 1000 books before kindergarten and earn a book to keep and a place on our wall of fame. Ask staff how you can sign up or continue today!

5 & UNDER

FREE PLAY MORNINGS
Tuesdays at 10:30 AM
Play with library toys, make friends and check out books!

ALL AGES

GAME NIGHT
Thursdays, at 4PM
Come use our wide variety of board, card, and dice games or play with our Wii, Nintendo Switch or X-box or bring your own game!

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
Friday, Sep. 4 and Sep. 25, 4—5:30 PM
Come get warm and enjoy a movie at the library! Popcorn will be provided. Please call 907-343-4024 for title.

MUSHROOM MASTERPEICES
Saturday, Sept. 12, 11AM —12PM
Add some whimsy to your home or garden by painting a mushroom plant stake with us! We'll provide the mushroom planter stake and painting supplies—just bring your creativity! In collaboration with Four Valleys Community School and Turnagain Arm Mycological Society. Please register at https://anchorage.librarycalendar.com/event/mushroom-masterpieces-gerrish-20330

Registration limited to 20 participants. Children welcome with adult supervision.

STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER!
Stuffy Drop Off by *Friday, Sept. 18, 3 PM*
Bring your favorite stuffed animal to the library and we will introduce it to all the other beloved stuffed animals of the Girdwood community! We will read them stories, let them play, and finally let them enjoy a sleep over together. We will photo document their unforgettable evening, and share the photos with participating families. Drop off your toys by Friday, Sep. 18, 3 PM and pick them up on Saturday, Sep. 20.

ADULT

KNOT JUST KNITTERS
Tuesdays, at 1PM
Do you knit, crochet or sew or are you a beginner looking for a start? We will have lessons for beginning knitters with long-time beloved resident Cleary Donovan. Materials and tools provided.

HOUSING RESOURCE FAIR
Wednesday, Sep. 23, 2—4 PM
Meet with representatives from a variety of community resource agencies that focus on housing: get a coordinated entry interview with Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness, talk with a customer care supervisor from Cook Inlet Housing. All welcome!

GERRISH BOOK CLUB
Sat., Sept. 26, 4:30-5:30 PM
Join us this month for a discussion of *Tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow* by Gabrielle Zevin. Coffee and Cookies provided!

EVENTS ACROSS APL—

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CHUGIAK-EAGLE RIVER
12001 Business Blvd., #176
(907) 343-1530

MOUNTAIN VIEW
120 Bragaw St.
(907) 343-2818

MULDOON
1251 Muldoon Rd., #158
(907) 343-4032

MEDICARE 101
Thurs., Sept. 17, 3-4:30 PM
Need help finding your way through the Medicare maze? At Medicare 101, the Alaska Medicare Information Office will hold a a 1-hour presentation, followed by a Q & A session. Ideal for adults 18+; all welcome.

Z. J. LOUSSAC
3600 Denali St.
(907) 343-2841

Free Piano Concert with John Nilsen

Oregon Music Hall of Fame Inductee in Concert

JOHN NILSEN



Girdwood Chapel

102 Heavenly Valley Rd., Girdwood

Fri., Sept. 11, 6 pm

"The musicianship is flawless" - Keyboard Magazine

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