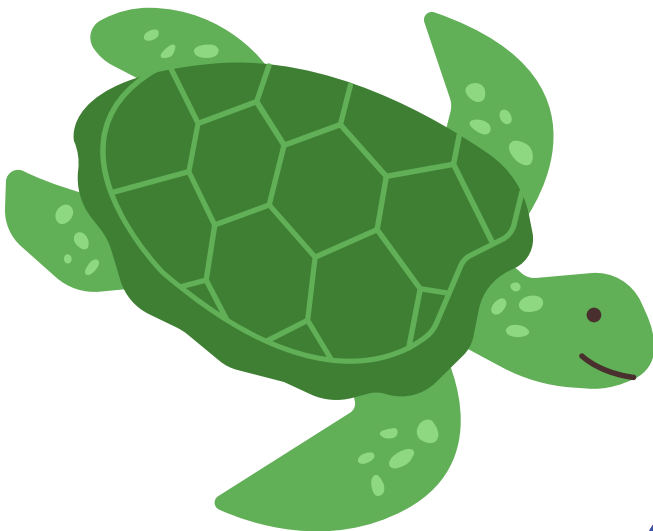


Welcome to the June, 2021



OUR FROSTBIT FINS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

the Sea Turtle Edition!



**"TRY TO BE LIKE A TURTLE.
AT EASE IN YOUR OWN SHELL."
-BILL COPELAND**





HELLO FEATHERFINS!

Hello and Happy June!

The days are getting longer and longer, as we close in on the solstice and I am loving every bit of the sun! The whole pod had such a great time meeting all of you at the Mermaid Festival in Seward - what a fantastic way to start the season. Getting to hug and take photos and talk to all my FeatherFins after such a long time was such a treat and I am thrilled to have had the chance to meet and reconnect with all of you!

As Miss Mermaid, Alaska, USA, you know I am passionate about helping all my FeatherFins learn about water safety and how to enjoy the best the Alaskan waters have to offer. Many of you already know my secret - I was born with Selkie blood, and as such, can lock away my tail and walk as human just like you - which is good because I will start teaching my first swim lesson classes at my human job at the Nikiski pool this month! I am super excited to help my classes learn how to swim!

Why am I telling you this? So that when you see me at the pool, you'll still say hello! With or without my tail, I love to see all of you! And if you would like to take lessons, be sure to let mom and dad know so they can call the Nikiski pool for more information. :)

I hope you enjoy this month's newsletter. Sea Turtles are one of my favorite sea creatures - my favorite being sharks, of course, and Fletcher and Fletcher Jr. in particular. I find it amazing that they hatch on the beach and make their way into the ocean when they're just tiny little creatures! It is a sight to see, for sure.

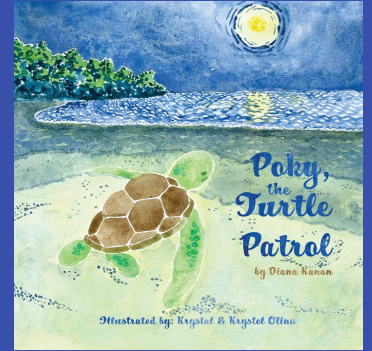
This month, the pod will have a booth at the Fun in the Sun celebration on June 19th in Nikiski, and then in August we are once again at the Kenai Peninsula State Fair in Ninilchik as a starred attraction! So mark your calendars for August 13-15, and come join in the fun!

Until then - as always - we're thinking of you.

With Mermaid wishes and Starfish kisses,
AnneMeridia, and The Frostbit Fins Pod



LET'S READ!



Poky, the Turtle Patrol by Diana Kanan

Poky, a baby sea turtle, awakes to find he missed the great sea turtle race! He meets several beach friends along the way who offer conflicting advice on how to make it to the finish line. Confused and alone, Poky has decisions to make, but soon realizes he was not the last one when more sea turtles pop up from the hatch. The great race is on... or is it?

National Dates

- 06/01 National Say Something Nice Day
- 06/05 World Environment Day
- 06/08 World Oceans Day
- 06/13 National Children's Day
- 06/15 Nature Photography Day
- 06/16 World Sea Turtle Day
- 06/18 International Sushi Day
- 06/21 National Selfie Day
- 06/23 National Hydration Day
- 06/29 Hug Holiday

JUNE FIN FACTS WITH SEA TURTLES



- There are 7 species of sea turtles; loggerhead, leatherback, olive ridley, hawksbill, flatback, green, and Kemp's ridley.
- The largest species, the leatherback, can grow up to 6 feet long and weigh over 1000 pounds!
- Many turtles can hold their breath for over 30 minutes. Green sea turtles can hold theirs for hours.
- Unlike turtles on the land, sea turtles cannot pull their heads and legs up into their protective shells.
- Sea turtles can live more than 150 years!
- Sea turtles can detect the Earth's magnetic field and use it as a compass.
- Female sea turtles lay 100-200 eggs at a time in a hole on the beach and leave them there alone for two months.
- When baby sea turtles hatch they wait until nighttime and make their way into the ocean by themselves.



Meet our friend Anna!

Hello, My name is Anna Widman. I have been an art teacher with the Kenai Peninsula School District for the past 12 years and have taught art for 15. I work summers at Boys and Girls club as a tutor. I Love Alaska summers. Camping, hiking, running, biking, and travel are a few of my interests. Art is what grounds me and how I share with others. I believe that art and culture should be woven into learning and life. Art can be so many things and appreciated in so many ways. Community involvement through the arts is something I love. I hope these coloring sheets bring joy.

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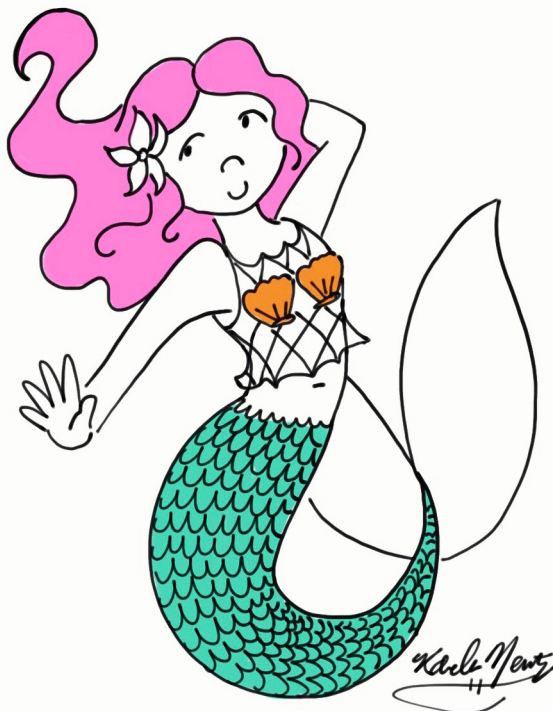
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As Miss Mermaid Alaska, AnneMeridia's platform is also her passion - teaching kids how to safely enjoy Alaskan waters and all they have to offer! Our new friend Karla has the same passion and made this image to share - and graciously let us share it with you, too. Remember - Kids Don't Float! Grab your PFD and have your parents make sure it fits well and correctly before you hit the waters!

She will always be your little mermaid...

But she still needs to wear a properly fitted life jacket



Requirements vary state to state, make sure your child is safe around the water and wears a US Coast Guard approved life jacket.

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Did you make the Guppy Goodies? Are you all finished with the coloring page? Have mom and dad put them on Social Media and tag us @frostbitfins on Facebook and Instagram for a chance to be featured in next months FeatherFinFlyer!



Fin Funnies!

What do you call a flying turtle?
A shell-icopter!

What do you call a turtle chef?
A Slow Cooker?

What do turtles do on their birthdays?
They Shell-ibrate!

Guppy Goodies E-Sea Pretzel Turtles

Ingredients:

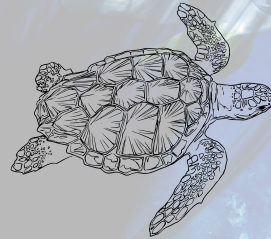
- 50 miniature pretzels
- 50 pecan halves
- 10.6 ounce bag Rolo candies

Directions:

Line a microwave safe plate with wax paper
Place pretzels in a single layer on the plate
Top each pretzel with an unwrapped Rolo

Get an adult to help with the next steps of using the microwave and handling the hot candies

Microwave 30-45 seconds, or until the caramel is soft
Place a pecan half onto each Rolo and press down to flatten
Slide wax paper and pretzels onto the counter and allow to cool



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- 06/07 Livi S.
- 06/12 Kayleigh M
- 06/16 Marx W
- 06/18 Roxxy N
- 06/18 KayLee B
- 06/20 Jade M
- 06/21 Lauren C
- 06/25 Lucille N
- 06/30 Malcolm L



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