



Senator Joyce Fairbairn Middle School

November 1st

Dates to Remember:

November 7th

We will be hosting quarter
Finals!
Times: TBD

November 9th

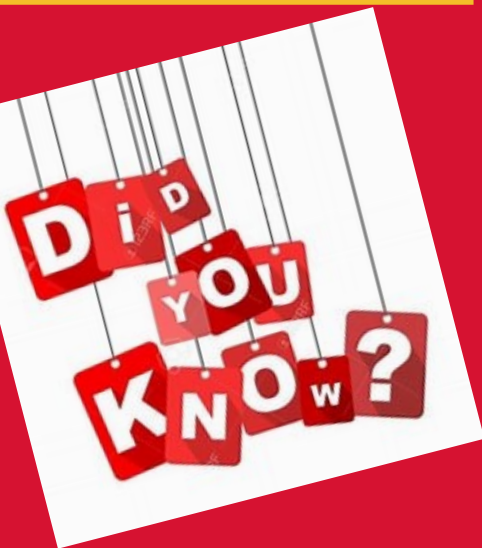
Remembrance Day assembly

November 10th

NO SCHOOL

November 13

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**Lemons float, but
limes sink!**

Life Touch

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Special Shout out

Thank you Mr. Miller and the students from
electronic music for being such great DJ's at the
Halloween dance and for all your hard work
behind the scenes!



Lost & Found

Please get your child to
check the lost and
found as we will be
getting rid of what is
there by Friday!



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Cold Weather Arrives

NOVEMBER 2023
INDIGENOUS
EDUCATION
NEWSLETTER



Middle School Bingo Night at Wilson

OKI TO OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

A message from Mrs. Christiansen:

I've was able to visit all 6 middle schools in our division this month! We have a lot of superstar students, teachers and admin! Thank you for inviting me into your classrooms!

We look forward to seeing how each school commemorates the special Indigenous dates coming up this month. Let us know how we can help in your planning!

IMPORTANT DATES:

Mark your calendars!

- Inuit Day
Nov. 7
- Indigenous Veterans Day
Nov. 8
- Rock your Mocs / Metis Week
Nov. 13 - 17
- Louis Riel Day
Nov. 16



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OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS!

Check out what our Middle School's did this month!



Our Cottonwood Science lesson was a hit this past month! We sent students looking for stars at G.S. Lakie and Gilbert Paterson!

The grades 7 & 8 foods class at Immanuel Christian Secondary made taco ready frybread on their first try! Way to go! Not one hockey puck!

MIDDLE SCHOOL BINGO NIGHT! We had a great turnout at our middle school bingo. Our Indigenous Families had a lot of fun and took home some great prizes! Thank you to our Middle school's for donating the prizes and joining us that night!

Shout out to Ms. Melting Tallow at G.S Lakie with their Indigenous leadership lunch group! Thank you for all your hard work!

Breakfast with Aunty started this month! We hope this can become part of your classroom morning routine!



JUST FOR SCIENCE TEACHERS!

A few resources that could fit your upcoming units!



GRADE 6

Sky Science

- Indigenous Stories of the Constellations
- The Phases of the Moon & the Turtles Back

GRADE 7

Interactions & Ecosystems

- The Buffalo as Ecosystem Engineers

Grade 8

Mechanical Systems

- Indigenous innovation & Simple machines
- 8 Inventions from the Indigenous people of the Americas



**Reach out to our
Indigenous
Education team if
you'd like more
information on
any of these
resources or
others!**

Making frybread at Immanuel Christian Secondary



INDIGENOUS INNOVATION HIGHLIGHT!

Olivia Poole

Of Ojibwe White Earth Reservation, Minnesota

The Ojibwe woman who invented the Jolly Jumper



On White Earth Reservation, Olivia Poole saw mothers using **cradleboards** as baby carriers.

Cradleboards allowed mothers and caregivers greater freedom to work or perform their daily routine while their baby was safely secured on the board.

Some mothers suspended cradleboards from a sturdy tree branch or structure to act as a hammock or swing, providing the baby with amusement.

Poole witnessed mothers pulling on the ropes or leather straps suspending the cradleboard to bounce the baby up and down.

This allowed mothers to work uninterrupted while the babies entertained themselves with the bouncing motion.



From the collections at Makah Cultural and Research Center

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INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN THE NEWS!

Wab Kinew becomes Manitoba's 1st First Nations premier!



The Las Vegas Golden Knights' Zach Whitecloud

Brings the Stanley Cup home to the Sioux Valley Dakota Nation



Multi-cultural and Diversity

NEWSLETTER

Karva Chauth (Hindu)

Nov 1- A one day fast kept by married Hindu women for the well-being and longevity of their husbands. The husbands feed the first bite to their wives only after they see the moon.



Bunka No Hi (Japan)

Nov 3- A national holiday dedicated to the love of freedom and promotion of Japanese culture.



Veterans Day (USA)



Nov 11- It was first proclaimed as armistice Day in 1919, to commemorate the termination (at 11 AM on November 11, 1918) of world War I.

Dia de los Muertos (Mexico)



Nov 2- This day is also known as the Day of the Dead. It is celebrated in parts of the United States and Central America. Families build altars in their homes surrounded with flowers, food and burning candles.

Hello November

Diwali (Sikh and Hindu)



Nov 12- Diwali is also known as the 'Festival of Lights'. It symbolises the spiritual "victory of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance". It lasts for five days.

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**Nov 11-
Remembrance
Day**

More Events

- Nov 23-Thanksgiving Day (USA)
- Nov 24- Martyrdom of Guru Teg Bahadur (Sikh)

SHICHI-GO-SAN



Nov 15- Prayers are offered for children's growth. The ages of three and five for boys, three and seven for girls are celebrated. On this day, children dress up in their gala dresses and go with their parents to a Shinto shrine to pay a visit to the tutelary deity. Children are given thousand-year candy which is red and white (auspicious colours) with crane and turtle illustrations (symbols of long life).

Guru Nanak's Birthday (Sikh)



Nov 27- Guru Nanak was born in 1469 CE. He was the first of the Ten Gurus of the Sikh faith and founded Sikhism. An accomplished poet, 974 of his hymns are in the Sikh scriptures, the Shri Guru Granth Sahib.

Lokash Jayanti (Jain)

Nov 27- This day commemorates the birth of a famous 15th century reformer, Lonka Saha, who opposed temple worship and use of images.

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Happy
New Month



Thank You!