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Siwkewi'kus 2022 March Newsletter

Dear Families and caregivers,

Please read through the newsletter to be informed of important upcoming dates.

Girls At Bat and Boys
Play Ball will be starting
in March. See the flyers
in this newsletter.

Here's a few photos of some students that participated in Pink T-Shirt Day.







March 7-11 March 25

PARENT TEACHER

No school for students

April 4-8 SCHOLASTIC BOOKFAIR April
15 & 18

GOOD FRIDAY &
EASTER MONDAY
All schools closed



This year, our school is using PBIS (Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports) to encourage and reinforce positive behaviours in our school. All students have an account where they earn points for meeting school expectations – or as we call it – SOARing. SOAR is an acronym for: showing Self-Control, being On-Task, working towards Achievement and showing Respect. The points that students earn are like money in their bank accounts – and they can spend their points on items that they want in a few different ways!

All homeroom teachers have a Classroom Store. Usually, students can shop at their teacher's Classroom Store once a week. Some things they can buy include treasure box items, desk pets & accessories, surprise bags, sit in the teacher's chair, hat or hood pass, sit with a buddy, etc.

The next way that students can spend their points is through raffles. We have had a few raffles for Fidget Box items. So far, our raffles have been for the whole school. They cost 1 point per entry and students can decide how many entries they want, and if they want to even enter at all. After March Break, we will be raffling off more items. Ms. Sylvia has graciously donated a hardwood, Birdhouse brand skateboard. It is awesome!

Finally, the last way that students have been spending their points is at the School Store. Once a month we host a store in the cafeteria with many various small toys and other items. We've had fidgets, bouncy balls, bath bombs, family night bags (popcorn & deck of cards), Halloween costumes, Christmas decorations, and many things in between! We have a lot of fun at the School Store!

In December, we also had a School Store to shop for Christmas gifts for our families. We accepted donations of gently used items from our staff and their family members. We had ties, mugs, puzzles, jewellery, decorations, and more! We even had our middle school Youth Leadership members, Abigail and Shayna, help wrap gifts and write name tags! It was an amazing event! The students felt such pride and joy to pick out a surprise for the people they love. We will be doing this again next year, for sure!

NEW this month, we are having our first School Wide PBIS Event on Friday, March 4th. We will celebrate the SOARing that happens all month long. Students are invited to an afternoon of Winter Fun! We will spend time playing on the playground, skating (middle school only), sliding on our new sliding hill, having a bonfire, roasting marshmallows and Mr. Ross might even make some luski on a stick! It is going to be an awesome day. Stay tuned for future updates!





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Good Morning

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How are you?

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Who is this?

NEKAW NAQSI P+SIN WE'RE ALWAYS AT SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDANCE PROGRAM

The goal is to promote attendance at school, encourage punctuality, and discourage tardiness. Everyday that a class has perfect attendance they will receive a letter from the phrase

NEKAW NAQSI P+SIN

The first class to spell out this phrase will receive a reward at the end of the week in which they won.

PATHS® IN OUR SCHOOL

All feelings are OK! It is what we do with those feelings that can be good or bad. Uncomfortable feelings like sad, mad, frustrated, disappointed, scared are things that we sometimes feel. The important thing is to help our students choose positive ways to express or show their feelings. Positive ways to express uncomfortable feelings might be to talk to someone, take deep breaths to calm down, take a break from the situation, ask for help... In our PATHS® lessons and throughout the day, we talk about how to handle uncomfortable feelings by using the control signals poster. Ask your child to show you the three steps of Red, Yellow and Green!

Kelulk Mijipjewey We Eat Good Food

At Natoaganeg School we do our best to impart a message to the students that promotes healthy foods and healthy food choices.

One way we do this is by providing the children with a healthy and nutritious breakfast, midmorning snack and lunch each day.

If children bring a snack or lunch from home, they should come prepared with a healthy choice that is low in sugar and sodium.

Some examples of an appropriate snack are:

applesauce, fruits, veggies, cereal bar, granola, yogurt, cheese, crackers.

Sugary snacks like chocolate, juice, chips and cakes should not be brought to school.

SUCCESSFUL NEWSLETTER DELIVERY BALLOT

Sign below to indicate that your son/daughter has delivered to you this month's newsletter. Have your child return this ballot to the ballot box located at the school office by Thursday, March 24th. At the end of the month a draw will be made for a gift card from all the ballots that are returned.

February winner: Grayce L.

Parents Signature Childs name Grade

Save The Date!



Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming to our school!

So save the date! Our Scholastic Book Fair will take place from April 4th - April 8th

And for parents, friends and family that can't join us in the school, be sure to join us online with our **Virtual Book Fair Extension**! Our online shop will be open on the first day of our Fair, but you can view a selection of the books you'll find here:

https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5175507

Watch for news leading up to our Scholastic Book Fair!

Natoaganeg School Mission Statement

Natoaganeg School strives to have students prepared with the necessary skills to become responsible and successful lifelong learners.

To create a positive learning environment that will inspire ALL to believe in developing to their full potential.

MOTTO: When you Believe, You will Achieve!

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