# OCTOBER WIKEWKIU'S 2018

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Natoaganeg School

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#### Dear Families,

It has been a successful month of getting back to routines for students and staff.

Be sure to read through the newsletter to be informed of what is upcoming at our school.

Please be reminded to have your child dressed appropriately. The weather is changing and the mornings are colder. The students go outside for recess and gym class when the weather permits. Students should also have a pair of indoor shoes that they change into when they arrive at school.

## <u>Dates to Remember</u>

- October 4<sup>th</sup> PD Day (no school for students)
- October 5<sup>th</sup> Fire Prevention Presentation K-Gr.5 9:30am
- October 8<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Day (School Closed)
- October 18<sup>th</sup> Picture Day
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Halloween Dance
- October 26<sup>th</sup> Early dismissal (11:45am) Haunted House

October 31<sup>st</sup> Wear your Halloween costume to school

We had a huge turnout for our Orange t-shirt Day walk & luncheon. Thank you to everyone who supported this important day, and thank you to the Health Centre and Brianne McKay for the donation of the painting to our school.





## **Cross Country Grades 6-8**

Meets are every Wednesday @ 4pm. Parents/Guardians are responsible for transportation to and from the event.

Oct. 3 Strawberry Marsh Oct. 10 Gretna Green Oct. 17 Nelson Oct.24 Max Aitken Nov.7 French Fort Cove

## Afterschool Art Class

This initiative is being offered through the Health Centre Beginning October 15<sup>th</sup>. There are 10 spots available for grades 5-8. To date all spots are filled.

# **Cross Country Grades 3-5**

Oct.10 Max Aitken Oct.17 Miramich Valley High School

## **Elementary Soccer**

All games start at 3:30pm

Oct. 2 BC @ EG Oct.9 Miramichi Rural @ EG



## 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 Friday, October 26th 2018. At the end of the month a draw will be made for a gift certificate from all the ballots that are returned.

## Winner for September: Michael Paul

Child's name

Everyday during morning announcements we will announce a new Mi' kmaq word along with the meaning. We will encourage all staff and students to practice these

words.

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Who is this?

An initiative we are starting in our school is Mi'kmaq Monday. Every Monday we will have a smudge in the drum of the school to

- start the week and encourage
- a students and staff to wear

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- something of cultural importance to them such as braided hair, beaded items, culturally positive clothing, moccasins, etc.
- We want our students to reclaim
  their cultural identity and we are
  looking forward to implementing
  any other cultural initiatives or ideas
  they have!

Weli-eksitpuk Good Morning

We were honored when Magit Poulette came to visit our school. She told stories, answered questions and sang songs with our students. Magit also gifted our school with one of her dolls.



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# WASUEKJI'JK BEADING CLUB

Starting October 15<sup>th</sup> Welcoming new members Grade 4 to 8 girls and boys.



Thank you to everyone that came to our Parent Night/ Meet & Greet. It was a huge success and we are already planning the

Our Halloween Dance will be on October 25<sup>th</sup> 4-6 pm Admission is \$3 at the door There will be snacks available for purchase

Haunted House will be open on Friday October 26th from 2 – 4pm Suggested donation of \$2 is appreciated. Doors open at Open to the public, everyone welcome!!

> October 31<sup>st</sup> Halloween Party Wear your costume to school !

Picture

On October 18th

bring your be Smile for Picture

## Attendance Policy

School attendance is taken at 8:30 a.m. Your child is late at 8:31 a.m. Breakfast is served from 8:05 – 8:25 am. Walkers should arrive as close to 8:05 am as possible (especially if they are eating breakfast).

All students arriving after 8:31 am are considered late and **parents must sign them in at the office before going to class**.

All students being dropped off after 8:31 am must arrive through the main doors of the building. **Parents please walk your child into school and sign the late form.** 

## 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 pizza party or ice cream party at the end of the week in which they won.

We would like to express <u>THANK YOU</u> to all parents for recognizing the

importance of our attendance policy.

Congratulations to our perfect attendance draw winners for September

Elementary Winner Samual S. Grade 3

Middle School Winner Aaliyah W. Grade 5



Our K4, K5/Gr1 Classes joined the Elders on a trip to the apple farm.

# **Paths**<sub>®</sub> in our School



Parents...

Talking about what we think and feel is important. But, just as important is the skill of listening. Listening is a skill that our children are encouraged to get better at in school. At home, listening is also a skill that you want to encourage. When someone listens to us, we know that they care about us. In PATHS® time, we learn that listening to each other is just as important as being able to talk about ideas, feelings, and share information. If no one listens, we cannot solve problems. If no one listens, we cannot share ideas. If no one listens to us, we do not feel valued. Our students are important to us all. Let's listen to them and encourage them to listen to us too.

#### **Code of Conduct**

- Arrive on time and be prepared to learn.
- Be polite to children and adults
- Work hard to be successful
- Respect our environment

The Code of Conduct has shown improved student behaviour last school year and we are aspiring for our students to continue demonstrating their ability to show good character. This document will bring current school behaviours, policies and practices together with Policy 703 NB Student Code of Conduct. There is an increased emphasis on intervention, training, and consequences that are planned to help students learn how to behave rather than just punishment. There might be times when behaviour warrants detention or suspension. The school staff has practiced this philosophy and we have seen great success in the past school years. The emphasis is to create a culture of acceptable behaviour within the school. Students will be expected to behave appropriately in a variety of situations including playground, lunch, hallways classroom and when a supply teacher is present. We believe that all students are capable of behaving well, so it is our job to equip them with the necessary skills to do so.

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Put your child's name in the message portion and use the password **snacks**.