



# LSK Newsletter

## November 2021

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"LEST WE FORGET"

### Acting Principal's Message...

Mrs. Sharon Culbertson

K'we,

I would like to inform our community members that I have been asked by the Chief and Council to fill in as the Acting Principal. I appreciate all the confidence that has been bestowed upon me by not only the C&C, but by the Director of Administration, Human Resources, the Director of Education, our LSK staff and students. I hope I do you all proud and work to help everyone to the best of my ability.

With that being said, I have been privileged to sit on my first Committee and that is the Committee for the Clayton Paul's Halloween Bash. Working together with our community has been a wonderful experience. I hope that everyone was able to enjoy the wonderful event that was held on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. I am proud of our staff and students. In fact, when I asked for assistance with creating the pumpkin patch, our students in senior and junior high came to my aid. It didn't take them very long to unload the truck and set up the patch. Thank you all.

That wasn't the only event that brought our community together to brighten our students' day. A last-minute challenge was answered by the businesses who brought their Halloween treats to our school's parking lot so that our students didn't have to walk around the community to go trick-or-treating. Thank you all for your support. Next year we hope to give everyone a little more notice so that we can include all elementary grades in the event. I will be posting photos of the day on our school's website. Please take a few minutes to look at our students have a wonderful time.

This November we are celebrating the remembrance of our Indigenous veterans on Monday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Due to Covid protocols, our annual remembrance service will be conducted via the intercom. Teachers are encouraged to conduct activities related to the day in-class. Ms. Leeanne Maloney and the committee are working hard to plan the celebration and recognition of all the brave men and women who aided in keeping our country safe.

## LEST WE FORGET!

REMEMBRANCE DAY IS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

## Grade One...

Ms. Helena Sack

The grade ones had a great October! Our class room is decorated for Halloween and our party is being planned. We have been working hard on making and recognizing patterns in Math. In language arts, we have been working with a variety of Halloween poems and matching activities. Thanks, from Ms. Helena's pumpkin patch!

## High School Learning Centre...

Mr. Robert MacIntosh

Boo! Happy Halloween

It's hard to believe we have been in school for almost two months. Wow time goes by fast when you are having fun or maybe it goes fast when one is old. Well, whatever the case it's two months until Christmas. October was busy here at the Learning Center. The High School students have been attending and ready to work. I was fortunate to take part in a three-day PEERS training session. So, thank you very much for all those involved. I would also like to give a big shout out to the team. There is no I in the team. If that was the case the team would become Tim and we don't want that. So, thank you to Autumn and Roddy for all that you do.

Well, that's it for me.  
Cheers, Mr. Mac

## HS Math/Science...

Mr. Morgan MacDonald

October was a great month!

In Math 10, we have been learning Trigonometry. Then we will move onto polynomials.

In Math 11, we have been working on the Law of Sine and Cosine and will soon be getting into Statistics.

In Physics 12, we are starting to work on projectiles & circular motion.

"The Mi'kmaq soldiers are forever in peace, for as long as we live, so be it"

Poppy, Poppy

Poppy, what do you say?  
Wasuekji'j, koqwey talimiek?

Wear me on Remembrance Day  
Naskuwitesk Mikwitetimkewey Nakwek

Poppy, what do you tell me?  
Waseukji'j, koqwey telimn?

Many soldiers in battle fell  
Pukwelk smaknisk matntultimk neputipnik

Poppy, what shall you teach us?  
Wasuekji'j koqwey kekinamuiek?

That peace on earth should grow  
Na wantaqo'ti uksitqamuk nikwetew.

## Grade Two...

Mr. Tyler Schussler

Time is absolutely flying; I can't believe that we're going to be entering the month of November already. During the month of October our class explored and studied a number of different educational avenues. In art, students got creative as they created scary pumpkins to get everyone in the Halloween mood. In math we focused on skip counting and patterning. Students enjoyed getting outside and using natural materials to create their repeated patterns. In social studies we examined communities. We compared a variety of communities that included rural and urban communities, the services within those communities and how they change overtime. Our class also focused on Treaty education. We discussed what treaties are and why they're important, highlighting the importance of taking care of people. October was filled with so many positive educational moments and I know they'll be more to come in November.

As we move into November our class will continue the momentum we've created in October. In math our class will be expanding our sense of numbers as we compare, organize and break down numbers using multiple strategies. In science our class will be investigating the relationship between air and water in the environment. As some Covid restrictions lift, I'm hoping that we can have more of a regular Remembrance Day ceremony in the gym but if we can't we'll have to again commemorate it within our class. October was a great month and I'm looking forward to the upcoming month of November.

## Grade Seven ...

Ms. Erika Hilchey

Hello parents and guardians!

October has flown by and we had a great month. Students in grade 7 began a novel study on the book Stranger at Home. This book is about a young Inuit girl's experience when she returns home from Residential School. We will be continuing this novel study through November. Grade 7 and 8 are both looming Wampum belts to make visual representations of their understanding of treaties and their importance. They were encouraged to think about their culture and heritage and represent that in their beading. Once these are finished, photos will be posted and they will be displayed in the school for a short time. Students are looking forward to taking them home and sharing with their families. November will have students in

7-8 Social studies learning about Mi'kmaq veterans and their services to Canada.

Wela'lin

Ms. Hilchey

## Mi'kmaq Words...

- apsun' - clothing
- Tepotk - boots
- Skinn - socks
- Wtoqwan - peace
- Makkot - dress
- Smaknis - solider
- Lnu' - human
- Amasek - far
- pi'kun - feather
- toq'wa'q – fall

## Grades 2-6 Mi'kmaw Language...

Ms. Tania Gould

Keptekewiku's- November: river-freezing-moon-Skuls.

Kwe'/Hi

Me' katu taleyin kirkuk?/ How are you today?

First ,I would like to say We'lian to all our veterans of all wars. Peace is welcomed.

Speak Mi'kmaw daily, learn a word a day, feed your spirit.

watch it grow. Use the apps, listen to a song or go visit a elder.

We'lian

Tania Gould



## Physical Education...

Mr. Gordon Pictou

In October, elementary and junior high school did some meditation and yoga, gymnastics (balance beam, rolls and stretches), and have been working on a number of fundamental skills. The Pal 11 class had a field trip to Fox Hollow for an afternoon of golf. Everyone had a lot of fun and did really well. They had practiced chipping and putting before we went and the practice paid off. In class, in addition to golf, they learned about Greco Roman wrestling and tchoukball, set a s.m.a.r.t fitness goal and started weekly trips to the fitness centre to lift weights and do some core strengthening. The LSK fastpitch team played an exhibition game against the Millbrook Deadly Bees and won 7-5 in 3 run comeback in the bottom of the last inning. Brody, Houston, Zed and Joe did a great job pitching!

I've loved my time at LSK and felt incredibly welcomed by staff and students since starting here in 2019 so it was a difficult decision to accept a position closer to Millbrook with C.C.R.C.E. I want to thank all the people who make this school what it is and for doing their best to get us safely through this pandemic. Thank you to all the students for making me smile and laugh every day. I will miss all of you!



## Grade Nine...

Mr. Steve DeLisle

This month the grade seven students are learning about the relationship between decimals, fractions & percents while the grade eight class will be multiplying and dividing integers. The grade nine students are learning how to perform various operations with rational numbers.

## Music...

Ms. Bev Cheverie

The music room has been a busy spot at LSK. October has had a big focus on culture with Mi'kmaq History Month, Thanksgiving and Halloween. Students enjoy playing instruments from boom whackers to xylophones to accompany their singing. We have played many singing games as well. Our next big focus will be performance with our upcoming Christmas Concert. We are hoping to have a great concert lined up for your enjoyment.

## Early Literacy Intervention...

Ms. Angela Maloney

K'we

Here is some information about ELI and what to expect if your child is chosen for the ELI program.

My Job Goal: To help students develop proficient **reading** skills that will contribute to their academic growth.

Responsibilities: **Reading interventionists** work extensively with students to help them improve specific **reading** skills such as letter-naming, initial sounds, phoneme segmentation, and comprehension strategies.

What does ELI stand for?

Early Literacy Intervention

The Fountas & Pinnell **Early Literacy Intervention** (ELI) is an intensive, small-group, supplementary literacy intervention for students who find reading and writing difficult. The goal of ELI is to lift the literacy achievement of students who are not achieving grade-level expectations in reading.

What is the difference between ELI and guided reading?

**ELI** is meant to supplement classroom instruction, whereas **guided reading** is differentiated classroom instruction. **Guided reading** is used with all students while **ELI** is used with **readers** who are having difficulty and are **reading** below grade level. Leveled books are used for both **guided reading** and **ELI**.

## Grade Four...

Ms. Tabetha Stephens

November will be a great month of fun activities and learning. Remembrance Day is quickly approaching. We will acknowledge and remember our brave Sma'knisk (Warriors/Soldiers) who have fought for our freedom, we will always be thankful for their services. Our class will participate in the annual Remembrance Day Poster Contest. Please share stories of your Veterans in your family with your child/children.

Birthday shout outs to our classmates; 2<sup>nd</sup> - Madius Julian, 4<sup>th</sup> - Xavier Maloney, 12<sup>th</sup> - Roland Marr, 19<sup>th</sup> - Lance Bernard, 22<sup>nd</sup> - Zailyn Sack. Happy Birthday everyone!!

Wela'lin, Ms. Stephens



Grade Four Wampum Belts

## Grade Three...

Ms. Desiree Gillis

No Submission Available

## Grade Primary...

Mrs. Sheri Brooks

No Submission Available



Grade Four display from a Mi'kmaq Legend

## Grade Six...

Ms. Leanne Foster

October flew by- hard to believe it's already 2 months into the year and halfway to Christmas. The grade 6's went on two field trips in October. We went to Noggins outside Wolfville for apple picking and a corn maze. The grade 6's was also invited to attend a workshop on the Wetlands. The grade 6's enjoyed Truth and Reconciliation Day events with Shubenacadie school students joined LSK students to participate in a variety of cultural activity centers. We have managed to walk the trail behind the school several times before the snow flies. October was Mi'kmaq history month and we learned more about residential schools and their effects in Canada. We have begun the Novel Study on the novel "Fatty Legs" residential school survivor Margaret Pokiak-Fenton. We created lots of beautiful art work in October.

## Elementary Resource...

Ms. Leslie Paul

Kwe'Hi

In October I have participated in some program planning meetings to support our students and their needs. I have also administered the grades 1 to 4 CAT-4 and Primary TOPEL assessment for MFI. Most students that require extra support in their literacy skills are now on the resource schedule. November will be a busy month with many students receiving resource support following the "Road to Reading" program. I hope everyone enjoys the crisp fall days of November. If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to the program planning process or elementary resource, please feel free to contact me at the school.

Wela'lin/Thank you,  
Ms. Leslie Paul

## K3-Primary Mi'kmaw Language...

Ms. Elle Michael

No Submission Available

## Elementary Learning Centre...

Ms. Jo-Anne Julian

No Submission Available

## Guidance...

Mr. Bryan Brooks

No Submission Available

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS...

01 – Mrs. Elizabeth Nevin  
 02 – Madius Julian  
 04 – Xavier Maloney  
 09 – Ava Robinson  
 12 – Roland Marr  
 13 – Stephanie Nevin-McDonald  
 14 – Mr. Morgan MacDonald  
 16 – Ms. Tania Gould  
 16 – Cruz Julian  
 18 – Ms. Sheila Nevin  
 19 – Lance Bernard  
 20 – Martial Thieboux  
 22 – Zailyn Sack  
 23 – Arellaina Augustine  
 24 – Sicily Michael  
 26 – James Hennessey  
 26 – Penelope Nevin  
 27 – Liberty Aubert  
 27 – Kynlee Doucette  
 28 – Jolie Marshall  
 30 – Kohl Brooks  
 30 – Ms. Shirley Nevin

## Grade Five...

Mrs. Rae Williams

No Submission Available

## Grade Eight...

Ms. Lise Charbonneau

No Submission Available

## Grade Eleven...

Mr. Robert Watson

No Submission Available