

Wikewiku's

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October 2023



Upcoming Events...

- 01 - Treaty Day
- 02 - No School
- 09 - Thanksgiving Day (No School)
- 27 - PD (No Classes for Students)

Principal Message...

Kim Martin

As the daughter of Mr. Hubert "Yuppie Cool" Martin of Listuguj, QC, It is my pleasure to be the principal at L'nu Sipuk Kina'muokuum this year! This is my nineteenth year in the education field. Prior to becoming a principal, I had some leadership experiences including consulting teacher and assistant principal. Even with these amazing experiences, I will always be a teacher at heart. I share a home in Hammond Plains with my boyfriend, Craig Gray, a cat named Pepper and a dog named Baby.

I am blessed to be the mother of three young adults, Amgawesi, Ta'pit ag Sipu. They are the loves of my life. I have the same expectations for them as I do your children, I want to see them excel and become productive human beings, who have ample opportunity to become whatever they want to be.

It is my privilege to lead LSK and the many talented teachers and students here! My goal is to continue to provide a supportive climate and culture at LSK that is conducive to teaching and learning. By doing so, each individual student and teacher can experience growth to their highest potential.

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Kim Martin



Editor...

Sharon Culbertson

Happy October! There have been a great deal of changes during the month of September with many, many wonderful activities. It was so nice to see grandparents and elders come into the school and take the time to learn alongside their children. Our students were very proud and excited for this visit.

Then we had the Culture Day celebration where students were put into Clans so that they could explore our traditional ways of governance. It is a long term learning experience. Since I am a "Bernard", I was part of the Wowkwis clan.

For October, we are looking forward to traveling to the site of the old Shubenacadie Residential School to join others local schools (HERH, REC and Shubie District) to place orange flags in memory of our Mi'kmaq survivors as part of the Truth and Reconciliation Remembrance. Then we have Treaty Day celebrations on the 1st of October, followed by Thanksgiving Day.

I also need to remind the parents/guardians that our picture retake day is schedule for October 6th. A time will be posted on our website.

Wela'liq

Grade Two...

Tyler Schussler

I can't believe September is over already, it was so nice to see all the students back in school after their summer vacation. In Grade 2 we wasted little time learning our new routines and expectations. Lessons incorporated the theme of respect early and often to help create a respectful and caring classroom environment. The Seven Sacred Teachings were reviewed with the students as well to help support a kindness classroom climate. Unfortunately, we didn't get to go apple picking this year but we do have a field trip to the pumpkin patch planned which will give the students an opportunity to have some fun learning outside of the classroom. The grade 2 students have had a great start to the school year with lots of learning experiences and fun.

During the month of September our literacy and math routines were also established. Students participated during our class shared reading activities along with our smaller group guided reading activities. In math, students began exploring their new math tools that helped support them as they worked through a variety of math challenges. Students used their number charts and math manipulatives to participate in a variety of counting activities. The grade 2 students are off and running and if the month of September is any indication on how this year will go, I'd say we're going to have an awesome school year.

Elementary Resource...

Leslie Paul

Kwe'/Hi,

I am the Elementary Resource Support teacher. My main responsibility as resource support is to work collaboratively with classroom teachers, parents, administration and other service providers to assist in program planning to meet student academic needs. In September I have been in the process completing assessments and reviewing Individual Education plans (IEP's) to support students and their needs.

During the month of October I will be scheduling and attending program planning meetings. I will also be administering student assessments based on the Program planning meetings and beginning to support students in their reading on a daily basis. I would encourage parents/guardians to communicate with their child's classroom teacher any concerns they may have pertaining to their child's school success. Parents/Guardians and classroom teachers can refer a child for program planning to assist in identifying the child's strengths and needs.

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

Grade Nine...

Steve DeLisle

Wela'lin! I would like to welcome everyone back to LSK for the start of another school year. So far, LSK's junior high school math classes have been hard at work. This month the grade 7 class will be learning about transformations by graphing translations, reflections and rotations on a coordinate grid. The grade 8 class have been learning about the Pythagorean theorem before they investigate how to multiply and divide integers. They'll soon discover that we use integers when we talk about weather, finances, sports, geography and science. The grade 9 class will be learning how to perform multiple operations with positive and negative rational numbers (fractions and decimals).

Elementary Learning Centre...

Kyle Busche

This October in the Elementary Learning Center we will be working with our students to have fun and stay focused at school! We will be doing some fun Halloween activities such as door decorating and baking. We will also be spending time outdoors in the trail to collect items for use in fall crafts. If you see our students around the school or outside stop by and say hi!

Grade Primary...

Sheri Brooks

Kwe' Families

The students have been very busy this past month! They are learning the routines of the classroom and school, and have been enjoying all the fun things we have been doing. In the month of September we celebrated Truth and Reconciliation Day by attending the event down at the Indian residential school site, students placed orange flags to help fill the heart. We also participated in the Terry Fox run in our community.

The students are very excited to see the leaves changing colours this month, they noticed they are now red, yellow and orange. We have been talking about what we are thankful for as we look forward to our Thanksgiving holiday with our family and friends. We have also been talking about how proud we are to be Mi'kmaw and will explore our many traditions throughout the month. Students are looking forward to our annual field trip to the Riverbreeze pumpkin patch to pick pumpkins later this month! We would like to wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving!



Grade Five...

Raebeka Williams

Grades 5-7 had an amazing time visiting Keji! This was a reschedule from their trip booked in June that had to be postponed due to the wildfires. Huge thank you to all those who made this trip possible.

In October, students will work on story writing and what makes a good story. We have also launched our classroom reading challenge. This is a challenge that will last the entire year. Students will bring home their papers and are to record each book that they read. When a student reaches 40 books there is a prize. If all students reach 40 books, we will have a classroom celebration.

In Science, we will continue looking at weather and the effects weather has on everything around us. We look forward to the changing of the seasons.

MA'KIT DOLLS

Grade 4 students create the doll that Elder Ma'kit Poulette created when she was a child at the Shubenacadie Residential School. Elder Ma'kit created her dolls using her cleaning rags.



High School...

Robert MacIntosh

Well folks, the first month of school is now in the history books and we are about to enter into the spooky month of October. So far so good. The students this year seem pretty pumped for learning and have completed numerous projects and assignments for tourism. The most recent assignment has been to design and staff a resort. This assignment was a ten step one and students have created some pretty good work. October looks fun too. We will be exploring the realm of Dark Tourism. This is always a fun unit for both myself and the students. Math 10 E students have finish the first two chapters in their math books. Some of the material covered has includents salary and benefits. Most recently students have been working on personnel finances and Living on their own.

Well that's it for me.
Have a good one!
Mr Mac

Grade Twelve...

Tammy Maloney

It's been a busy month up in high school . Students are settling into the new year and routines, Grade 10's have been working on creating our own Short Stories and reading *The Marrow Thieves* novel. Grade 12 have been busy on their novel studies and will be starting Short Story Unit in October Reminder that attendance policy is back in place again. Grade 12's will have some fundraising starting in October for their graduation trip at the end of the year. We will be looking for Donations to help us fill a calendar month with prizes to draw each day More information will be out soon.Looking forward to October

Grade Four...

Tabetha Stephens

The grade 4's had a great start to a great school year. The students are settling in well and they are getting used to their new classrooms & classroom procedures. September went by so fast with all of our special things going on. We Participated in the Terry Fox Run. We celebrated Nitap & Orange shirt day and we also celebrated our culture with a mini powwow. It was great to see so many children dancing and smiling, they all really enjoyed their time at the mini powwow!

October is Mi'kmaq History Month. We will be learning about Treaty Education, and the 92 calls of actions from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC). The TRC calls to action addresses the ongoing impact of residential schools on survivors and their families. We also have Thanksgiving coming up, this gives us time to reflect and to be grateful!

Some of the topics we are working on: We are reading *The Fourth Grade Nothing* for ELA and we are working on the writing process. Science: We are exploring a variety of natural habits. Math: Numbers to 10 000 (reading, writing and representing large numbers). Health: Stress and anxiety management/ Growth Mindset. Social Studies: Treaty Education/ Exploration. Art: The Element of line.

We would like to Wish a Belated Happy Birthday to Faye on September 15th, and also a Happy Birthday to Angeliah on October 21st.

We hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving and a safe Halloween!!
Boo...



Grade Seven...

Erika Hilchey

K'we parents and guardians, The 2023-2024 school year is off to a great start. September saw school-wide activities with a focus on connecting the students to culture and traditions. We had our first Culture Day and participated in placing flags at the site of the Shubenacadie Residential School. In English class the grade 7-9's completed an Autobiography project in which they get to tell me all about themselves, and display their information in a visual way. October will see all students in grade 7-9 working on their persuasive writing skills. As well, grade 7 will be working on a novel study (Stranger at Home) and a Nelson Literacy Unit that focuses on inferencing. Grade 8 will be jumping into a novel study as well (Touching Spirit Bear) and a Nelson Literacy Unit with a focus on summarizing and finally Grade 9 will be beginning their own novel study (The Giver) and Nelson Literacy Unit (also on summarizing). I'm looking forward to some great discussions and as always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the school.

Happy October!
Ms. Hilchey

Grade Eight...

Kelly Oliver

It's been a great start to the school year. Grade seven students are working on their hand sewing skills, learning about the history of the Mi'kmaq, mental health and the environment. Grade eight students are also working on Ntukulimk and protecting Wksitqamuk (Mother Earth) and mental health. Grade nine students are learning about the development of young children.

We are excited for the events this month where we will contact our learning in the classroom. We will be going to Partridge Island, where we will be able to see Kiju's Cooking Pot and learn about the geological formations. We will also be making jikmaq and the use because of some of the policies enforced by the Indian Act.

We are all looking forward to a great school year.



Wli'ajipuna'...

WIKUMKEWIKU'S/ SEPTEMBER

- 01 - Eternity Googoo (8)
- 01 - Devina Knockwood (1)
- 02 - Malia Green (K4)
- 02 - Jessalynn Jones (3)
- 02 - Kingsleigh Simon (Primary)
- 05 - Darrell Augustine (01)
- 05 - Ryan Preeper (K4)
- 05 - Rory Brooks (9)
- 15 - Faye Brooks (4)
- 15 - Kristopher Syliboy (4)
- 17 - Michael Knockwood-Syliboy (K4)
- 23 - Treyson Knockwood (3)
- 26 - Chano Paul (11)
- 28 - Nakirrah Howe (10)

WIKEWIKU'S/ OCTOBER

- 05 - Reginald Maloney (2)
- 13 - Zayden Bernard (2)
- 16 - Addison Michael-Maloney (3)
- 21 - Angeliah Augustine (4)
- 24 - Lyric Paul (6)
- 25 - Cairo Paul (K4)
- 27 - Leela Simon-Julian (7)
- 30 - Paul Mulliin (K4)

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