

NIJI MAHKWA TIMES

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Administrator's Message

Dear Niji Mahkwa Families,

The month of June has arrived, and we want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our incredible Niji Mahkwa students and families. It's hard to believe the school year is already coming to a close, but we still have an exciting and busy June ahead, filled with field trips, activities, and celebrations.

On Thursday, June 5th, the Winnipeg School Division's Pow Wow will be held. Our K-8 students will spend the day at Tec Voc Field, engaging in a variety of cultural learning opportunities. Once again, some of our Niji Mahkwa students will have the opportunity to present workshops on Métis Jigging and Spoon Playing.

In the coming weeks, we will also be participating in three land-based days at Naawi-Oodena, formerly known as the Kapyong Barracks. This new initiative is one we're very excited to explore as a school community. Students have brought home letters outlining the specific dates.

As we come to the end of the school year our Indigenous traditional teaching here at Niji Mahkwa school tells us that it is Oppaaskaawewi Piisim (Cree) - Bashkaanowe Giize (Ojibwe) - Egg Hatching Moon (English). This is a time of new life for all birds, a time when plant life covers Mother Earth, and when we sing Mikisiw (Cree) - Mikisii (Ojibway) - the Bird Song (English). As always, we will be thinking of our children, our families, and our relatives and our community during the summer months.

Thank you, Miigwech, Ekosani,

Mr. Reuben Boulette
Principal

&

Ms. Leigh Ann Dysart
Vice-Principal

Theme:	Celebration
Teaching:	Honesty/Truth, Moon teaching
Moon:	Egg Hatching
Medicine:	Tobacco
Song:	Bird Song
Animal Spirit:	Thunder Bird
Colour:	Blue
Doorway:	Southern Doorway

Niji Mahkwa School



NIJI MAHKWA CALENDAR

June

Sun	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Sat
1	2 Day 6	3	4	5	6	7
				 <p>Powwow AT TEC VOC 9:30 - 2:30</p>		
8	9 DAY 5	10	11	12	13	14
		GUMMY BEAR OLYMPICS	TRIP TO THE FARM RMS 114,115,203	LAND BASED LEARNING TRIP ALL DAY GR. 7/8 TRIP TO THE FORKS		
15	16 DAY 4	17	18	19	20	21
	NON- INSTRUCTIONAL DAY No CLASSES		AWARDS DAY 1:30 PM	LAND BASED LEARNING TRIP ALL DAY		
22	23 DAY 3	24	25	26	27	28
		LAND BASED LEARNING TRIP ALL DAY	GR. 8 FAREWELL 9 AM 	REPORT CARDS ISSUED ELECTRONICALLY	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 11:30 DISMISSAL	SUMMER BREAK BEGINS! 
29	30					
			HAVE A SAFE AND WELL DESERVED SUMMER BREAK!			