

NIJI MAHKWA TIMES

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September

Administrator's Message

Dear Niji Mahkwa Families,

Welcome back to school! We have had a busy and exciting first week and are happy to greet new and returning students. We are looking forward to another great year!

Our whole school learned about harvesting Sage and giving back to the land on September 17th. We use Sage in all our Smudge ceremonies throughout the school year. Our Biindigen feast will be on Tuesday, September 22nd and all families are invited to come to be a part of this and to meet your child's teachers.

If you haven't already, please sign and return the school year permission form to make sure your child can partake in all out of school activities throughout the year.

We have a very supportive staff at Niji Mahkwa School. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the school. We will listen and help support parents & caregivers as much as we can. We look forward to meeting all of you.

Theme: Smudge
Teaching: Respect,
Sweat Lodge/Tipi,
Feather & Moon
Moon: Autumn
Medicine: Sage
Song: Helper Song
Animal Spirit: Buffalo
Colour: Red
Doorway: Western Doorway

Thank you, Miigwech, Ekosani

Mr. Reuben Boulette, Principal
&
Ms. Adrienne Perreault, Vice-Principal



Niji Mahkwa School

**Niji Mahkwa
School Calendar**

September

Sun	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Day 1	9	10	11	12
	LABOUR DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY	FIRST DAY OF CLASSES!			
13	14 Day 5	15	16	17	18	19
				 WHOLE SCHOOL SAGE HARVESTING TEACHINGS	GRADES 5-8 FISHING TRIP AT SELKIRK PARK	
20	21 Day 4	22	23	24	25	26
		PIPE CEREMONY & BIINDIGEN FEAST 4:30 P.M. 	WATER WALK 	WSD POW WOW at NAAWI OODENA 	NO SCHOOL NON- INSTRUCTIONAL DAY	
27	28 Day 3	29	30	1	2	3
		ORANGE SHIRT DAY 	NO SCHOOL NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION			