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**MESKANAHK KA-NIPA-WIT SCHOOL***Where Education, Community and Culture meet.*

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Tânsi kâkiyaw Akamihk ohnîkîkomâwak kohomak ekwa mosomak,

And just like that, we are down to the final three weeks of school — where did the time go? It is so important for our *awasisak ekwa oskayak* to continue attending school every day. These last weeks are full of meaningful learning and celebrations.

**Important Dates:**

- **June 12:** Kindergarten Grad and Grade 9 Farewell
- **June 13:** Awards Day
- **June 18:** Students will bring home their **report cards, school work, and personal items.**
- **June 19:** Our last day of school and the **MESC Pow-wow** at Bear Park in Ermineskin.

On June 19, students will be transported by bus to Bear Park at **10:30 AM**. **Grand Entry is at 11:00 AM**, and buses will depart with students home starting at **2:45 PM**. If your child is dancing, we kindly ask that you **travel with them and assist with their regalia**. We ask that regalia not be brought on the bus to avoid damage.

I am incredibly proud of the academic progress and personal growth each student has shown this year. Thank you to all the parents and guardians for your support, your belief in your children, and your partnership with our school. Thank you as well to our dedicated teachers and EAs who consistently show up with care and commitment for our *awasisak ekwa oskayak*.

Together, we are partners in learning. Our students thrive when school staff and families work hand-in-hand. I look forward to continuing to foster *wahkohtowin* in the year to come. Wishing you all a fun, memorable, restful, and safe summer! May the Creator continue to protect and bless all your families.

**Students return to school on September 2, 2025.**

Ekosi Pitama  
Jerilynn Breaker  
Principal



## Assistant Principal ekwa Admin Assistant

Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

This year has truly flown by. I have witnessed tremendous growth in our *awâsisak* ekwa *oskâyak* over the past year. Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education—it has been an honour.

I will miss everyone's smiling faces in the morning and our daily "*Miyo Kîkîsêpâyaw*." This year, we will be saying farewell to our Grade 9 students. I wish them all the best as they venture off to high school. They will surely be missed.

With that, I wish you all a wonderful summer! Enjoy this well-deserved break with your loved ones.

Ekosi pitama,  
**Mrs. Alison Robles**



Tansi awâsisak ekwa oskâyak,

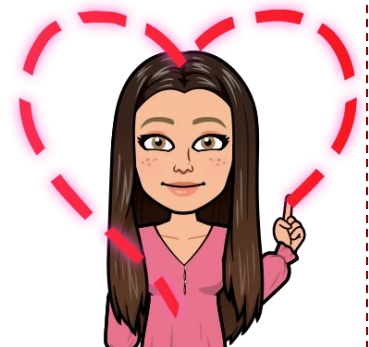
As the school year comes to a close, I want to wish each of you a joyful, safe, and relaxing summer break! May your days be filled with sunshine, laughter, rest, and time with family and friends.

Take this time to recharge, explore, and enjoy the beauty of the season. We look forward to welcoming you back refreshed and ready for a new year of learning and growth.

Kîhtwâm mina ka-wâpahtamâhk — see you again soon!

With warmest wishes,

Ekosi pitama,  
**Keishea Northwest**





## Sesawiwin (PE) ekwa Nehiyawewin



Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

As we wrap up another incredible school year, I want to take a moment to reflect on all the energy, effort, and enthusiasm that students brought to Physical Education in 2024–2025. It's been a fantastic journey from the first warm-up lap in September to our final track and field events this June. Over the past few weeks, our students have been giving it their all in our baseball and track & field units. Whether it was rounding the bases or batting home runs, it's been amazing to see the progress and sportsmanship shown by everyone. Great job!

We're closing out the year with two exciting events: the junior high students will be competing in a slo-pitch tournament on June 4 in Paul Band, and our grade 5/6 students will be hosting their very own tournament at the HBMC on June 5. These tournaments are a great way to finish the year with fun, teamwork, and friendly competition.

This year has truly been amazing. I'm incredibly grateful for the time we've shared and for the laughter, effort, and teamwork that filled every class. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did, and I can't wait to see you all again next year. Have a safe, active, and fun summer! Tim and I will miss you all!

Ekosi pitama,

**Keshia Dreaver**

Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

**Nehiyawewin ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ**

Kahkiyaw kittamiskatinawaw Kehteayak, Onikihkomawak, ekwa Opihkinawasowak:!  
Awa Opaskawho Pisim June, Kitatamiskatinawaw:

Asay mina kotak kisinohamatowin askiy ki wapahtenanaw. I have had a great year with the Awasisak ekwa Oskaoyak in our Cree Program. During the month of Opaskaweho Pisim, we will be finishing up our Miciwina Unit and move on to Cultural events such as Kistepowin, ekwa nimihtowin (Protocols, for initiations, ceremonies ekwa, Sundances and other traditional events, Kotaka mina, metaweina, (sports).

I wish all the Awasisak, Oskiyak, Kehteayak, ekwa Onikihkomanak, a safe and restful summer break.

Hai hai to all the Staff, Kisinohamakewak for your support and hard work you do for your students.

Ekosi itama

**Gloria Baptiste,**

**Nehiyaw Kiskinohamakew**

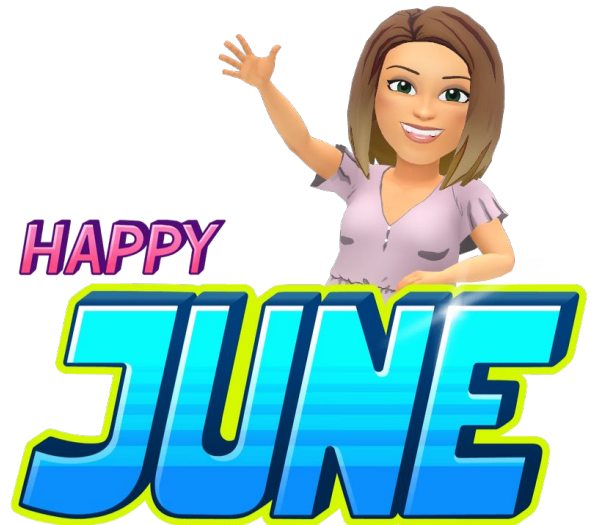


# Counselling

Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

Wow, I feel like this school year flew right by!

The last girl's group of this school year is June 3rd where we will be making a special treat!



## GENTLE REMINDERS

@THERAPYTOOLSFORALL



YOU DESERVE  
TO BE HEARD



YOUR OPINIONS  
MATTER



YOUR FEELINGS  
ARE VALID



YOUR BEST  
IS ENOUGH



IT'S OK TO  
REST & PAUSE



IT'S OK TO GROW  
AT YOUR OWN PACE



IT'S OK TO HAVE  
MOMENTS OF  
DOUBT



YOUR MISTAKES  
DON'T DEFINE  
YOU



HOW YOU SPEAK  
TO YOURSELF  
MATTERS

Be sure to prepare for upcoming changes and transitions as your child/children grow and know that there are always supports and **resources** available to you:

- Maskwacîs Mobile Mental Health crisis line 780-362-2150 (call or text)
- Maskwacîs Counselling: 780-585-2268
- Suicide Prevention: text 45645 call 1-833-456-4566
- Kids Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868
- ConnecTeen: text only 587-333-2724
- Youthspace: text only 778-783-0177

Have a wonderful summer & we can't wait to hear about all the fun things that happened when we return in September!

Ekosi pitama,  
Jenine Campbell





# Kindergarten and Grade 1

Tânisi onîkîkwak

What a year it has been in Kindergarten! We've had a truly successful journey, growing in leaps and bounds—academically, socially, and emotionally. From learning our letters and numbers to building friendships and gaining independence, our students have reached so many important milestones. It has been a joy to watch them grow and thrive every day.

As we wrap up this amazing year, I want to extend a heartfelt congratulations to all our K5 students moving on to Grade 1—you've worked hard and should be so proud! Wishing everyone a joyful, restful, and fun-filled summer! 🌞🎉

**With gratitude,**

***Your Kindergarten Team-* Theresa Charles ekwa Keisha Johnson**

Tansi parents and guardians,

As we finish this amazing school year, we want to take a moment to celebrate all the learning, fun, and growth we've had together. This year, our classroom was filled with more than just books and pencils. It was full of questions, discoveries, creativity, and new friendships. We learned how to read stories, solve math problems, and explore science. Most of all, we learned how to be kind, help each other, and grow together as a class. To the students, thank you for coming to school each day with curiosity, kindness, and courage. You have grown so much! Not just in your learning, but in the way you treat others and believe in yourselves. To the parents and guardians, thank you for all your support this year! From helping with reading at home to making sure your child came to school each day, you have helped make this year a great success. As summer begins, we hope you take time to rest, play, and explore. Go for walks, enjoy the sunshine, play games, and most of all, keep reading! We are so proud of everything our class has done this year. Wishing you a happy, safe, and sunny summer!

Love,

**Ms. Okeymow and Ms. Cheryl**

SUMMER TIME





## Grade 2 and Grade 3

Tansi, Parents and Guardians!

It has been a pleasure to teach Grade 2 students this year. I missed working with the awasisiak I was teaching in kindergarten. As I reflect on the past year, I feel such joy thinking about the fulfilling and enriching experiences we shared as a class. We learned new things, developed skills, and made lots of new memories.

We are excited that June is finally here. It has been a busy year in Grade 2. We have Field trips this month on June 5 to Manluk for swimming, and June 9 to Bouncy Planet in Edmonton. Please make sure that students are at school every day so they don't miss out on any of the fun events going on this month. Thanks for letting us teach your children all year!

**Ekosi.**

**Mrs. Cutarm and Miss Taijence**

Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

It's crazy to think about how fast the year has gone by. I would like to say a huge thank you to parents/guardians that assisted their children with home reading. I noticed a lot of confidence growing in our grade 3s as they read aloud and I am proud of every single one for strengthening their fluency skills. In the coming weeks, we will be finishing up our current units of Animal Life cycles, Rights and responsibilities, multiplication and measuring time, as well as phonics and read alouds.

We are excited that June is finally here and the countdown to our year end field trips have begun, We will be going to Manluk for swimming on June 5 and Amazone in Edmonton on June 12. That being said, It's been an absolute privilege to teach Grade 3, Wishing you all a safe and restful Summer. See you again in the fall.

**Ekosi,**

**Ms. Buffalo & Mr. Carlyle.**





## Grade 4/5 & Grade 6

Tansi Parents and Guardians,

As we come to the end of the school year, I want to take a moment to thank you for your support and to share how much I have enjoyed teaching this wonderful group of grade 4 and 5 students. It has been a pleasure to watch them grow, learn, and take on new challenges with enthusiasm. We have shared some memorable experiences, including our class trip to the Royal Alberta Museum and the Oil Kings game, which many students earned through their dedication to home reading.

I encourage students to attend school daily for the last few weeks so they do not miss out on any exciting activities we have planned. This includes one more fun field trip. We are going swimming in Ponoka with the Grade 6 class on June 10th. I hope everyone has a fun and active summer filled with adventures, time with family, and a few good books. Stay safe and enjoy your break!

Ekosi,

**Alison Peoples, Aiyana Potts and Dean Kelln**

tan'si peyakôskân

The Grade 6 awasisak are ready for Junior high! I am extremely proud of this group that I have had the privilege of teaching for the past 2 years. They have persevered through Elementary School and are on their way to continue doing great things! I am excited for their journey, I have much gratitude for being a small part of their childhood.

We have journeyed into Edmonton to the Royal Alberta Museum to learn about sustainable societies in Alberta. The awasisak have been consistently improving their numeracy and literacy skills while along expanding their knowledge of science and social studies. We have explored all kinds of topics and I am so proud to have been their teacher. Please know that your awasisak have a very special place in my heart! I will miss teaching at Meskanahk Ka-Nipa-Wit next year - all the best!

Ninanâskomitin,

Natasha McKellar-Ellingson, along with EA Traci Swampy, and HCA Katrina Kraft



# Oskayak Grade 7 / 8 / 9

Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

Another school year is nearing completion. I will cherish our junior high staff's last month with the oskayak. Let's finish strong and remember to have fun. Here is a brief overview of what's to come for June for learning: Math: 7/8 - Geometry, Data and Probability. 8/9 - Similarity and Transformations, Data Analysis, Chance and Uncertainty, Circle Geometry. Science: 7/8 - Mechanical Systems. 8/9: Space Exploration. Health: 7/8 - Life Learning Choices. Drumming: learning and practicing of pow-wow singing/drumming and teachings.

P.s. On June 9th, 2025, the junior high students have a field trip to the Saville Community Sports Centre in Edmonton. Come prepared to play some volleyball! 😊🏐

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at the school.

Ay hay,  
**Stephen Wolfe**



## Congratulations to our Science Fair Winners:

1st Place: Testing Water Quality – Tristan Rain

2nd Place: Lava Lamp: Liquid Motion – Kylynn Strongman-  
Rabbit/Micah Rabbit

3rd Place: TIE

Volleyball Machine Challenge – Casey Potts/Tyrin Potts /Jenny  
Soosay

Our Solar System – Caydence Yellowbird/Temperance  
Yellowbird/Krissayah Saddleback





## Student Advisor and Speech

Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

Another great year at our school, great students, great teachers. Wishing all the students to have the best summer ever, see you in the fall my kids. GO OILERS GO !!



**Tim Longjohn**

Tânsi Kâhkiyaw,

With the school year nearing its conclusion, i would like to reflect on the progress made during this years Speech and Language Sessions. I have had the pleasure of sharing many memorable moments with each student, and i am grateful for the lessons they have taught me. The students consistent effort and positive attitude towards producing speech production have been particularly impressive.

It has been a pleasure to watch each student's remarkable progress and development in Speech and language this year. I hope that you have a fun and safe summer and I look forward to seeing you in the new school year.

Ekosi,

**Connie Cattleman**



# Calendar



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Poni Ayamihow kisikaw Sunday	peyak kisikaw Monday	niso kisikaw Tuesday	nisto kisikaw Wednesday	newo kisikaw Thursday	niyanan kisikaw Friday	nikotwasik kisikaw Saturday
1	2 Gr.5/6 Track/field at Kisipatnahk  Fire Drill	3	4 Jr. High Slo-Pitch @ Paul Band	5 Gr. 5/6 Slo-Pitch @ HBMC Gr.1-3 Swimming	6 Professional Development No School	7
8	9 Grade 2 - Bouncy Planet Jr. High to Saville	10 RCMP Bike Rodeo K-3  Gr. 4-6 Swimming	11	12 Kindergarten Grad - 10AM  Grade 9 Farewell - 1PM Gr. 1 & Gr. 3 Amazone	13 Awards Day	14
15	16	17	18 Hawaiian Shirt Day	19 MESC Pow Wow Last Day of School	20 No School in Lieu of National Indigenous Peoples Day	21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
22	23 Summer Break	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

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# Parent Information

## June Birthdays

Kayle - June 1  
Brooks - June 5  
Jayla - June 12  
Darrius - June 13  
Justice - June 13  
Jennadean - June 15  
Jayda - June 15  
Preston - June 16  
Tyverious - June 18

Emily - June 18  
Chappelle - June 19  
Alayna - June 19  
Navvaro - June 20  
Trinity - June 20  
Paisley - June 21  
Kashlyn - June 24  
King - June 27

## May **Perfect Attendance!**

- ★ Beau, K5
- ★ Juno, K5
- ★ Theodora, K5
- ★ Jennadean, Gr. 2
- ★ Karlayna, Gr. 2
- ★ Annalette, Gr. 4
- ★ Shayden, Gr. 4
- ★ Cicilia, Gr. 5
- ★ Justice, Gr. 5
- ★ Micah Gr. 8

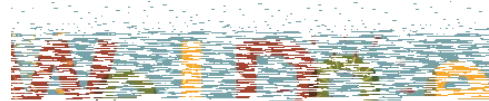
## Let's Go! *on a field trip*

Gr.1-3 Swimming @Manluk  
Thursday, June 5, 2025

Grade 2 - Bouncy Planet  
Jr. High to Saville Centre  
Monday, June 09, 2025

Gr. 4-6 Swimming @ Ponoka  
Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Gr. 1 & Gr. 3 - Amazone  
Thursday, June 12, 2025





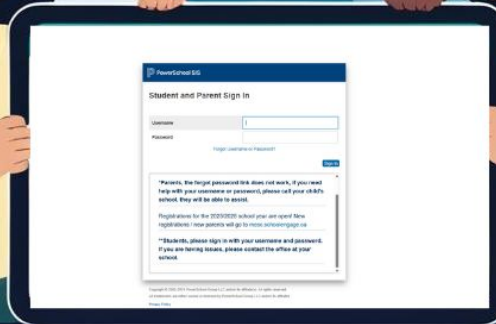
# Parent Information



## 2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR DEMOGRAPHIC UPDATE INFO

Updating Student  
Demographics in  
PowerSchool

Please review  
and update  
student  
demographic  
information  
before the start  
of the 2025-26  
School Year.  
Contact Keishea  
if you need  
assistance or to  
access your  
parent portal.



**780-585-2799**

# JUNE

MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH  
AWARENESS MONTH





# Summer Events

## CAREER & FINANCIAL LITERACY SUMMER CAMP WORKSHOP SERIES



July 15-25, 2025

Location: Maskwacis Cree High School

*Save the Date!*

Looking to jumpstart your career and gain essential skills for success?  
Sign up for one or more of our summer career camp workshops!

### Class 7 Learners Prep Workshop (July 15-17):

- 2 days of training plus test day. \*Only 20 Spots Available!

### Career and Financial Literacy Workshop (July 18, 21-23):

- Build job-ready skills—resume and cover letter writing, interview prep, career exploration, career field trips, and financial literacy. Earn a certificate of completion and high school credits! \*Only 30 Spots Available!

### Standard First Aid Training and Certification Workshop (July 24-25):

- Learn essential first aid skills and receive official certification and a high school credit! \*Only 15 Spots Available!

Open to current MESC grade 10-12 students (MCHS and MOS)

For more information, please contact [terifoureyesawasis@maskwacised.ca](mailto:terifoureyesawasis@maskwacised.ca)  
Applications are available at high school's front office!

**Application Deadline: June 12, 2025**

**Drop Off Applications at School's Front Office!**



MASKWACIS EMPLOYMENT CENTER IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ERMINESKIN COMMUNITY WELLNESS AND SAMSON YOUTH AND SPORTS PROUDLY PRESENT

## MASKWACIS YOUTH EXPO

**AUGUST 18 & 19 2025**  
8:30 am - 4:00pm DAILY

**MASKWACIS HIGH SCHOOL**

**DAY 1**  
**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**DAY 2**  
**CAREER FAIR**  
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

ENTERTAINMENT, SPEAKERS, AND DOOR PRIZES!!

Featuring

**Keynote**  
**Kendal Netmaker**  
Award-Winning Entrepreneur, Author, and Indigenous Speaker

**Entertainment**  
**Rebecca Strong**  
Canadian Singer and winner of Canada's Got Talent 2024

Exhibitor Registration

Sponsorship Form

**ALL MASKWACIS YOUTH 15-30 YEARS OLD**

**YOUTH REGISTRATION CONTACT**  
780-585-4450 OR EMAIL  
[lacey@maskwacisemployment.ca](mailto:lacey@maskwacisemployment.ca)

Indigenous Services Canada Services aux Autochtones Canada

# DANCER CALL-OUT

10 Spots Needed:  
6 committed  
4 wanted  
\$100 payout

~Any age  
~Any category  
~Any community  
Come represent yourself, your family, your style, and your community.

Date, Time, and Location: Friday June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
10:00 A.M. Wetaskiwin Norquest College Campus Park (near water tower)

bgc Wetaskiwin

NAHITO TEACHINGS IN MOTION  
NAHITO  
ROOTED 2025