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February Newsletter



Message from the Principal:

Tansi! It is great to see the new and old faces once again in the high school. Semester two classes have begun. The full schedule and class list is within our newsletter. The registration deadline for semester two will be Friday February 13, 2015. Please make sure to register with Ms. Cheryl Sutherland.

The Mental Health and Addictions 10 course has started and once again I would like to thank everyone who all contributed to this unique program that will benefit our youth. Thank you to Ms. Merasty for taking the lead in this program and teaching our youth about Mental Health and Addictions. The youth have already shown a profound interest in this class. Should you have any questions about the course or would like to partake, please contact school and talk with Ms. Merasty.

The Pimacihowin Project has welcomed 12 new youth to the program. This semester youth will receive modular training and education in the various fields of the trades. Once completed their safety training and certificates youth will be performing renovations and projects within Beardy's and Okemasis First Nation. Thank you to Mr. Sylvester for all the work in this project.

February is **Storytelling Month** where we will be seeing traditional story tellers in our school. There will be a story telling day celebration on Friday February 27 from 9:30-3:00pm. Mr. Junior Eyaphaise will have the details and schedule of storytellers. February is also **DRA testing month**, teachers and students will be focused on performing well on this test.

In closing I always look forward to each day here at Cst. Robin Cameron Education Complex, it is a blessing to have to opportunity to engage youth and help them succeed in the classrooms. Parents and Guardians it is so important to the success of your children to encourage reading, writing and mathematics at home. Thank you to all the parents who have come toured the school.

Good luck to youth attending Ottawa Forum from February 22-27. Thank you Ms. Michael for fundraising for this trip!

Important dates for February:

February 9 – STC Career Fair (Saskatoon)

February 12 – 1st Annual Science Fair (CRCEC gymnasium 1:00pm)

February 22-27 – Ottawa Forum (7 youth representing Beardy's and Okemasis First Nation)

February 24 – Kelly Delorme (University of Saskatchewan presentation)

February 27 – Storytelling Day Celebration



Grade 5

Mrs. Sherry Gardipy- Ms. Kendra Sutherland

Tansi, January went by very quickly and we are now into February. This month will be very busy. We will be doing our DRA Reading Test and having our first Science Fair.

Dates to remember:

Feb. 12- Science Fair

Feb. 13 Valentine's Day Party-notes will be sent out at a later date

Feb. 16-20 NO SCHOOL!!!

Thank you to Mr. DeBray for inviting our class to the Wide Open Spaces and Winston Wuttnee performances at the elementary school.

Perfect Attendance recipients for January;

Lydia Anderson

Kreedon Gamble

Brianna Sutherland

Malayna Thomas

BY: Julianna DeBray and Kaleb Gamble.



Grade 6

Ms. Lori Greyeyes- Ms. Desirae Cameron

Well Hllllloooo!!! January was a busy month for us as we worked hard. In Math we learned about Probability and Collecting Data. We are now learning about Order of Operations. In ELA we are reading Mice at Center Ice. We also read a book called "Where the Red Fern Grows" and we will soon be watching the movie.

We have two on-going challenges in our classroom. The first challenge is called the "Chill-O-Meter Contest. This is a challenge as to who reads the most books. The challenge is on-going until February 13th. The winners will be determined. We also go to the gym in the am and do laps, 15 laps is equal to 1 Km. As a class we have walked about 5 km.

Our class had the opportunity to raise money in January through canteen sales. There were also two people who celebrated their birthdays in January. These two people were Gilbert and Denver. We will also be participating in a Science Fair on February 12th here at C.R.C.E.C. from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Grade 7

Mrs. Pam Sokol- Ms. Bernadette Cameron

Another month gone by, we are still working hard. We have been planning our Valentines party. Pizza is on our menu for lunch on Valentine's Day.

The students have also decorated card boxes, one for the boys-one for the girls. Games and treats have been decided. Parents you may send treats for the 13 of February. We currently have 19 students in our classroom. Thank-you if you decide to send treats.



Two of our previous students have returned; Simone Gamble, and Juaquin Gardipy. We are so happy your back. In math we have started a new unit once again numbers and operations. There will be a science fair February 12-2015. Preparation is under way in our classroom for this as well. Parents feel free to visit our classroom any time. You are always welcome to pop by.

Grade 8

Ms. Shanna Bear- Mr. Preston Gamble-Ms. Monica Cameron

In the grade 8 class we are keeping things fun and energetic, as always. In Math we are cruising through all the outcomes required. I am very proud of the progress they've all made since September. DRA's are coming up and I would like let the parents know that our goal is to get all the students to move up a level higher than what they are at now. I'm sure we won't have a problem with that. They are fantastic readers. We will be beginning our Guided Reading groups this month which will help each student do more reading aloud in a small group setting. We are practicing our typing with this amazing website I discovered which helps each student become faster and more knowledgeable when it comes to computers.

As you all have known, we had hosted a call bingo last month. I would personally, if I haven't already, like to thank everyone who contributed to our canteen and for those family members who came to out to play. We had made more than we expected too, and that's all thanks to you and the community.



Grade 9

Mr. Aaron Gamble-Mr. Kyle Seesequasis

The Grade 9's are writing their midterms starting on February 3, 2015.

The class is attending a career fair in Saskatoon at the Exhibition grounds Monday, January 9, 2015. We will be departing the school at 9:00 am and be back for after school buses. The Perfect Attendees for January are as follows: Trina Cameron, Brandon Fox, Preston Smallchild. Please ensure that your Child is preparing for his/her exams this week Feb3-Feb5, 2015. Your Child's success is my main priority as the school year is winding down.

Mr. Adam Bartsch

(High School Mathematics & Science)

Hello to you all from the math and science department.

February is going to be a great month filled with science excitement as there will be a school - wide science fair on Thursday Feb. 12th. This science fair is sponsored by FSIN and contestants who do well in our school fair will move on to a larger FSIN science fair in March. I am looking forward to all of the wonderful presentations that are sure to intrigue us all.



February brings a new semester, and a fresh start for both teachers and students. I am now teaching math foundations 20/30, math workplace 20, science 10, chemistry 30, and biology 30. I expect a high rate of success this semester as my class sizes are smaller, and my knowledge of the students has increased. I look forward to doing experiments, and projects in our fantastic laboratory. The laboratory is slowly becoming more interesting with the addition of a fish tank, and more scientific supplies. In the near future, I plan to add more equipment that can be used by all grades in this school.

Have a great month and I hope to see you out at the science fair.

Ms. Anthazia Kadir
(High School English Language Arts & Arts Education)

Hello All (Tansi)

Semester one has flow by so fast. Semester Two is upon us.

In Semester two I will be teaching English Language Arts A/B Grade 12
Creative Writing 20, Drama 10 and Visual Arts 20

The arts program this semester will be focusing on Chief Beardy's day. The Creative Writing and Drama class are working on a production portraying the Life and times of Chief Beardy's'.

Chief Beardy's Day in May

The Arts classes and I are very grateful to have Mr. Eyahpaise who is our immediate resource personnel and brain child of the project. Looking forward to working along with my students, the staff at CRCEC and the community to



make this project a success in May 2015.

We welcome our elders to our classroom to share stories as we pen our script for the project starting the first week in March

Contact MS. Kadir room 138 CRCEC or
anthazia.kadir@tsec.ca

Drama club meets on Wednesdays 3:30 – 5:00 PM Happy Semester Two Children.

Mr. Elwin Cameron
(Physical Education & History)

Tansi Kiyawaw?

January sure flew by and now is February with the groundhog seeing his/her shadow which means only six more weeks of Winter.

Jr. Boys Basketball league has come to an end and playoffs are Thursday, February 5 at CRCEC starting at 5 pm. Please come out and cheer them on.

Saskatchewan Aboriginal Track and Field Championships are February 27&28 at the Saskatoon Field House and the early bird deadline for prizes was February 2nd and the last registration deadline is February 20th, so get your \$60 entry fee in before the 20th to compete.

If you have any questions and/or concerns please call me at the school at your convenience. Thanking you in advance for your participation and contributions to CRCEC functions and activities.



Mr. Sylvester
Industrial Arts Teacher/Pimacihowin Project

We have select ten students for the Pimacihowin 4Success project and they will be receiving five credits, if they successfully complete all subjects. The subjects include construction, electrical, career path, math, and drafting.

For the first two months they will be in class working on theory and move onto renovation in the community.



**Mrs. Inez Cardinal-Mr. Junior Eyaphaise
(Cree Language & Culture Program)**

Tansi

This is a very busy time in the Cree classroom. Semester one has ended and all the student's hard work has paid off. As we start the new Semester we will be starting on a new unit. This Unit is on syllabics, which will be taught by Mr. Eyaphaise. We continue to have Elders in the Cree classroom and are available for the other classrooms. They always bring positive energy and calm to the school.

We look forward to their stories on how they persevered and still be able to laugh.

Ekosi anima pitama

**Mrs. Bard Gardypie
(Native Studies & Information Processing)**

Second semester is under way and some classes have great numbers. We would like the students to continue working diligently in their classes. Graduation is not that far away.

This semester I teach Native Studies 10 first period, Life Transitions 20/30 second period, English Language Arts 10/11 third period, Food Studies 10/30 fourth period, and Information Processing 20 in the last class. Classes are going very well and students appear enthusiastic to learn.

Please keep encouraging your student(s) to attend regularly and complete all homework.

Dance Troupe has a Bingo tonight at 7:00 at the school gym. Please come out to support the dancers and singers on their quest to go west this year. If you have any questions regarding this trip or want to get involved please call Lawrence Eyaphaise, Mrs. Dreaver, Ms. Gina Gamble or any other volunteers.

Until next time have an awesome day!

**Ms. Miranda Sutherland
(Student Services Teacher)**

*** Mr. Everett Gamble-Ms. Valentina Baldhead-Ms. Gina Gamble-Mrs. Jolee Eagle-Ms. Dawn Gamble***

Tansi Kahkiyaw!

According to the groundhog, we will be having another six more weeks of winter and so far it is proving to be a chilly start to February. Be sure to remind your babies to dress appropriately. Our Cree Literacy/Numeracy night was a huge success. Thank you parents for coming out with your kids to our school function. I would also like to



say thank you to my support staff team for all the extra work they put in with helping to get the Literacy Night function looking great with Cree culture icons. Their creative work looks so amazing; I think we will just keep them up. Good job staff. On another note, did you know that the second week of February is Teacher and staff Appreciation Week? I am looking forward to showing how much I appreciate my coworkers. In mid-January, my students went on a field trip to observe and learn about endangered animals. They sure enjoyed themselves even though they were a bit fearful of the free flying birds of prey at the Wildlife Festival. On a final note, this month, our focus is reading for information, researching the internet for information and developing a science fair project. Well that's all for now. Happy February to you all!

Ms. Cheryl Sutherland-Math Catalyst Program

Happy Groundhog's Day and happy upcoming Valentine's Day!
Both Semester 1 groups of LLI students that I teach are coming to an end.

I will commence with their DRA testing within the next couple of days to determine how much that they have improved in their reading and comprehension skills. I will then commence with DRA testing of potential LLI students for Semester 2.

In Math, all of the students in grades 5-9 are currently in the strand Numbers and Operations. The teachers should have completed their initial testing of the students and are required to teach a daily First Steps in Math activity as well as a daily mental math activity. This is mandatory as well as teaching from Math Makes Sense. I hope everyone enjoyed the warm, balmy weather we experienced for a while. We are now back to crisp, cool weather which is wonderful for this time of year. Have a fabulous day everyone!



Ms. Maureen Dreaver-Literacy Catalyst Program

Happy Groundhog's Day!!

I would like to thank you for those that attended our Literacy/Numeracy night on Thursday, January 29th. It was a good turnout and all stations were busy with visitors. It was a Cree language theme and it was good to hear everyone learning Cree. We had Elders present and thank you to those Elders who spent a wonderful evening with staff and students. Our next Literacy/ Numeracy night is in May. So keep an eye out for the information.

DRA's are starting for the Month of February. All students from grades 5-9 will be doing these reading tests. I am sure we will see an improvement in reading levels.

Happy Valentine's Day to you and your family!



**Cst. Robin Cameron Education Complex
Severe/Cold Weather Policy**



Beardy's Education has reviewed the Policies pertaining to the School Busses and their scheduled routes in the event of severe or cold weather. The revised policy is as follows:

Temperature -45 or Lower:

- o Beardy's & Okemasis Bus Drivers WILL NOT make their normal bus runs
- o Schools WILL NOT be open and Staff & Students WILL NOT be required to come in on these days

Temperatures -40C or Lower (with or without wind-chills):

- o Beardy's & Okemasis Bus Drivers WILL NOT make their normal bus runs
- o Schools will remain open and students will still be able to attend school providing that the Parent and/or Guardian is able to drop-off and pick the student up on these days

Temperatures ranging from -35C to -39C:

- o Beardy's & Okemasis Bus Drivers will start their bus runs two hours later than usual and only providing temperatures and/or weather does not worsen for these days

Please listen for Severe/Cold Weather Announcements – Updates as they pertain to the Beardy's & Okemasis Bus Runs on:

*FM Radio - MBC 88.1
AM Radio - CJWW 600 and/or CKBI 900*

Temperature information will be based on information gathered from the Prince Albert and area Forecasts. The Coordinator of Student Services in consultation with the Education Director, School Principals and Bus Drivers will monitor temperatures and road conditions at 7:00am each morning and make a decision based on all of the information gathered. The Coordinator of Student Services will be responsible to provide any findings to the Drivers and/or above mentioned Radio Stations; it is the responsibility of the Bus Drivers to inform all families on their respective routes of any findings

Parents and/or Guardians may check in with the Principal of their children's school(s), or Education Offices to find out whether there will be any Busses running before or after school.

Cst Robin Cameron Education Complex: 467-4448
Beardy's Memorial Elementary: 467-2263
Education Offices: 467-4441



Parents

**On days when cold weather policy is in effect,
please make sure students do not walk to school
as frost bites take minutes.**

February 2015

Sun.	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
1.	2. Semester 2 begins (Gr. 10-12) 	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
8.	9.	10.	11.	12. 1st Annual Science Fair 1:00pm-3:00pm CRCEC Gym 	13.	14.
15.	16. Family Day	17.	18.	19.	20.	21.
						
22.	23.	24. Kelly Delorme U of S Presentation 12:30pm 	25. Mentorship Career Presentation Gr.9-11 	26.	27. Storytelling Day 9:30am-3:00pm 	28.



***Cst. Robin Cameron Education Complex
Semester #2 Schedule
2014/2015 School Year***

<i>Time</i>	<i>Grade 10</i>	<i>Grade 11</i>	<i>Grade 12</i>
8:30-8:55	<i>Bus Arrival</i>		
8:55-9:55	Cree 10 Science 10 Native Studies 10	Visual Art 20	Math Foundations 20/30
9:55-10:00	<i>Transition Time</i>		
10:00-11:00	Drama 10	Life Transitions 20/30 Cree 20 Math Workplace 20	History 30
11:00-11:10	<i>Break</i>		
11:10-12:10	English 10B Science 10	Phys-Ed 20/30	Cree 30 English 30A
12:10-1:00	<i>Lunch</i>		
1:00-2:15	Food Studies 10/30	Creative Writing 20	Chem 30
2:15-2:30	<i>Break</i>		
2:15-3:30	Mental Health & Addictions 10	Info-Pro 20/30	English 30B Biology 30

****Pimacihowin Project****

- Carpentry and Construction, Drafting, Math Workplace & Apprenticeship, Career Work Experience, and Electrical. (9:00am-3:30pm)