



Siksika Outreach School *Welcomes You Back!*



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When you enter this school...

You are **amazing**.

You are **important**.

You are **creators**.

You are **scientists**.

You are **explorers**.

You are **loved**.

You are **Readers**.

You are **risk takers**.

You are a **friend**.

Your are **special**.

You are **leaders**.

You are **respected**.

**You are the reason,
we are here!**

Welcome Lindsey

"My name is Lindsey Nelson and I am very excited to be teaching Social Studies and Language Arts upstairs at Siksika Outreach School! I am proud to have recently graduated from the University of Lethbridge with a Bachelor of Arts & Science and a Bachelor of Education. My family is from Northern Alberta but I have lived in Strathmore the majority of my life. My hobbies include camping, reading, and anything to do with horses.

I would like to welcome everyone back to the 2017/2018 school year. I am very excited to see what we can accomplish in the year to come!"

SOS Mission Statement

We strive to honor the seven teachings of our ancestors: Wisdom, love, respect bravery, honesty, humility and truth. Through this holistic approach, our objective is to develop capable and responsible life long learners proud of their identity, language, culture and their own achievements.

SOS Vision Statement

To create a respectful learning environment based on the balance of traditional cultural values and academic excellence.

Motto

Progress with Purpose

Outreach Staff

Principal— Bruce Dobbin

Administrative Assistant—Kendra Rabbit Carrier

Family Liaison—Loreli Calf Robe

Jr. & Sr. High Math & Science Teacher—Gladys Moberly

Jr. & Sr. High English & Social Teachers—Deanna LaFlamme & Lindsey Nelson

YPP English & Social Teachers—Denise Peterson & Pearl Healy

YPP Math & Science Teacher— Stacey Running Rabbit

Siksika Language & Culture Instructor—Colleen Sitting Eagle

Oki,

Hope everyone had a great summer!

Welcome back to another exciting school year. I welcome back all the students I have met and a special welcome to the new students. We will be having lots to learn in Siksika Class and projects will be set up for the school year. Some exciting projects to look forward to.

More to come.

Education Assistant—Tannis Broad Scalplock

Welcome back everyone, I'm looking forward to having another successful school year with you all.

Grounds Keeper/Custodian—Rennie White Eagle

Young Parent Program

Welcome back everyone! We hope that everyone enjoyed their summer holidays. The Young Parent program is looking forward to working with our current and new students. We are hopeful that many Elders will come visit us this year to share their stories and wisdom. Students have been asking if there is any one who is able to teach us how to pick sweetgrass, sage or traditional plants. We value and appreciate all the teachings that our Elders have to share with the students.

We would like to congratulate Charmaine Wycotte on the early birth of her daughter, also to Alicia & Harland on the arrival of their baby boy. We wish them all the best and send our prayers. We look forward to seeing our new little ones at the school.

We will be welcoming professional speaker and trainer Alison Springer to the school on September 15, 2017. She brings with her 20 years of experience working with the youth. Her passion is helping youth discover leadership and the greatness that lies within. Alison's mission is to build a generation of confident youth who will make positive choices that will change and shape their world around them.

Have a great September and continue to work hard this school year.

The love of a
FAMILY
is life's greatest blessing

FNSSP Incentive Program

The First Nation Student Success Program supports activities that increase students' achievement levels in reading and writing (literacy), mathematics (numeracy) and encourage students to remain in school (student retention).

Activities funded through this program are school success plans that set out goals, activities and targets for improving student achievement levels in the three priority levels (literacy, numeracy and student retention).

A huge part of this program is the incentive awards, which gives our students the opportunity to earn gift cards from Wal-mart, Subway, Cineplex, Itunes, google play etc. These gift cards are awarded at the end of each month from September to June.

How it works:

Literacy-a student is eligible to earn a \$10.00 gift card for every 100 pages read in a novel/book. Example: a student has read a 300 page book at the end of the month they will earn a \$30.00 gift card.

There are two ways to earn the literacy incentives;

- 1) The literature material maybe a novel or book that has been assigned from any English class.
- 2) Participating in the home reading program. Students are welcome to sign out books from our school library or read a book from home. Once the student has completed the book they must submit a one page book report.

Numeracy-Mathletics is a online math learning space providing students with all the tools they need to be successful learners, both in the classroom and beyond. The program awards students with silver & gold certificates and SOS uses those certificates to reward the students with a \$10.00 gift card for Silver or \$25 for Gold.

For more information on the incentive program, please see Tannis.



Student Responsibilities and Expectations

- ◆ Daily attendance is required. If students are missing more than 3 days in a row, a phone call followed by a home visit will be arranged.
- ◆ School working hours are a minimum of 9 am – 3 pm. Students must sign in daily.
- ◆ Buses only stop at your house if the student is on the bus regularly. If a student has missed the bus more than three consecutive times please phone education office to start bus service again. Any students getting on the bus with babies must have a car seat.
- ◆ A minimum of 3 modules per week is a requirement of SOS Students. Please be prepared to attend school ready to work hard.
- ◆ If your child is experiencing difficulty with school work or non- related school issues that keep them from their school work please set up a meeting with Bruce to create workable solutions.
- ◆ We have access to social workers, psychologist and elders to help support our students. Please contact me if you feel you or your child would benefit from any of our supports.

Break Times

Morning Break

Upstairs-10:30am to 10:45am

Downstairs-10:15am to 10:30am

Afternoon Break

Upstairs-2:00pm to 2:15pm

Downstairs-2:15pm to 2:30pm

No afternoon breaks on Friday!

Concession

Located upstairs in kitchen and is open during breaks and lunch only.

Juice/pop \$1.00

Chips \$0.75

Heat Up Food

Pizza Pops:

1 for \$2.00 or **Pack of 2 for \$4.00**

If students have any suggestions to improve our concession please inform Bruce or Tannis.

SEPTEMBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 <i>Labour Day</i> <i>No School</i>	5 <i>1st Day</i> <i>Back</i>	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 <i>Presentation @</i> <i>10:45am</i> <i>Corn Roast</i>	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 <i>Siksika Day</i> <i>No School</i>	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 <i>Admin. Day</i> <i>No School</i>	30