

June

May In Review:

Well, well here we are at the end of May and the first of June. Where has the school year gone? Before we get into all the fun that comes along with June lets review all that went on throughout May as it was a super busy month.

This past month we began our suicide prevention workshop series. The first of several presentations was held on May 1 and we welcomed Lorna & Kimberley. These ladies educated students on mental illness and how to recognize the signs of potential suicide. Also as apart of the series our very own Loreli Calf Robe shared a very personal and heartfelt story on loosing her son to suicide. After hearing her story she shared a power point presentation reflecting Todd's life. She hopes that by sharing her story she was able to save lives, even if it's just one. With the summer break approaching the staff understand that it may be a stressful time for some students who rely on the school as a safe haven and we would like our students to know that there is always help available. We have posted lists of resources and toll free phone numbers around the school that can be picked up from the information spot under the calendar.

During the week of May 7-11 our grade 12 ladies had an opportunity to get all prettied up by Ashely Mac and on the 9th we hosted our annual mothers day celebration for all our beautiful mothers, grandmoth-

ers, aunties etc. We would like to thank our school volunteer Karianne Bastien for organizing this for us. The cakes were delicious and fun to make.

On May 29 our YPP went on their annual fieldtrip to the Zoo. This is a trip that we look forward to each year as it gives our students time to bond with their child/children and a rewarding break from balancing school and parenthood.

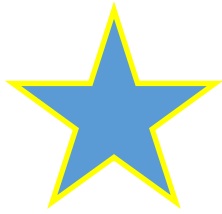


Jenny Big Old Man with her Daughter Danielle enjoying their time at the new panda exhibit.

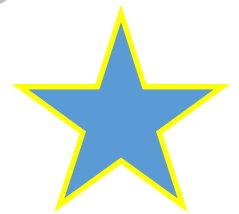
We end off the month sitting down to enjoying a Pizza for lunch. We were able to provide lunch for students, using money from bottles we collected all year. Thank you to Deanna for organizing this tasty treat and thank you to the students for keeping your bottles out of the trash and in the recycle bin.

Please watch out for our final Newsletter featuring our Grade 9 and 12 graduating classes of 2018.

Month End Awards



Student of the Month



Sade Panther Bone

Highest Mark

Caz Rabbit Carrier

Best Attendance

Marie Medicine Shield

Raven Awo'womahka

Most Modules

Chante Cayenne

Most Improved

Jadyn Daniels

Siksika

Gwendora Old Woman

Academics

Jenny Big Old Man

Citizenship

Sage Holloway & Astokomii Smith

 Grad Days

June 25, 2018

**Graduates need to arrive at the
Strathmore Civic Centre at
4:00pm**

***YEAR-END
AWARDS***

June 26, 2018

At 1:00pm

Student Achievements

We are always proud to showcase our students and their talents. This month we have Astokomii Smith. She is the 2nd place recipient of the Indigenous Arts & Stories Contests. Congratulations Astokomii

I am 10 years old

My name is Natalia,
I am 10 years old.
I will never be older than just
10.

I will never graduate
I will never fall in love
I will never have children of my
own
I will never live the life I was
given
I am 10 years old.

Although, in my 10 years of
existence
I was taught not to fear the
white man but to keep my dis-
tance
I was taught how to dress ap-
propriately so no one would
stare
I was raised Catholic because
my grandmother said our
ways are shameful
I spoke English and not one
word of our mothers tongue

It felt wrong,
But I did as I was told.

On that cold day,
I had to walk home from
school,
a route I walked almost every
day.
A man, with the gentlest smile
offered me a ride home,
I rejected his offer kindly,
A man, with the gentlest smile
did not like to be told "no."

He told me he loved Native
girls like me.

In those moments I ques-
tioned,
I dress like all the white girls?
I talk like all the white girls?
Not an ounce of Aboriginality
was inside me
Except for my blood.
But still,
I was a target because
A man, with the gentlest smile
loved Native girls like me.

I was deflowered
I was robbed of my innocence
I received the kiss of death
I am 10 years old.

My body was found 16 days
later.
Yes, you read that right
s i x t e e n d a y s
No finger prints
No DNA
Not a trace left behind by
A man, with the gentlest smile.

I am 10 years old and I will
never be older than just 10.
I don' t mind though,
because there are plenty other
girls just like me,
here, in this Spirit World.

Poem By Astokomii Smith



Siksika Class



This month was a very productive month with our Siksika evening classes. We have had our Elders Alvine Wolfleg and Norman Running Rabbit join us to share many information and interesting stories. I would like to give a big shout out to Vivian Little Light for her interest in learning a little Siksika and also being an active participant in all the fun stuff we did during this class.

The students enjoyed the evening classes of this month. I would like to thank Vivian Little Light for attending all evening classes. Thank you Kariann Bastien for the fantastic food which we served to the attendees. A big Thank You to the following students for being good hosts and showing great leadership skills in preparing for the class each evening:

- Savannah Little Light
- Taylor Red Gun
- Katelyn Wildcat
- Josee Wright



Looking forward to next year and carrying on with this successful program. Name giving ceremony will be scheduled before the end of this school year.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.



These are the result of a good evening class with crafts done by all participants.

Colleen Sitting Eagle



June 2018

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Diploma Prep			Flex Friday	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Ashley Mac	Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Testing		English Part A	Social Part A	No School
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			English Part B	School Hand Games Tourney	Admin. Day No School Social Part B	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Grad Day Math Diploma	Awards Day Chem. Diploma	Last Day of School 12:00 Dismissal Bio Diploma	Physics & Science Diploma	Report cards mailed home	

First Day Back to school is **September 4, 2018**. Please remember to register **NOW**.