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Upcoming School Happenings:

June 12 & 13-Indigenous Hoop Dancer Presentations

**June 14-Final Healthy Hunger Edo Japan
(For those that ordered)**

**June 15-School Spirit Day: ZOOM DAY! Dress Your Best on top
and casually on the bottom**

**June 15-Edwards Parent Appreciation Tea Party
(For school volunteers who RSVP'd)**

June 16-ALL Library Books DUE!!

**LUNCH
TIME
REMINDER!**

**Even though we are at the end of the
year, students are still required to bring a
lunch daily! Please make sure it is big
enough to sustain them throughout the
day, including an afternoon snack!**

Thank You

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NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH



June is National Indigenous History Month and includes National Indigenous Peoples Day, which is recognized on June 21 and coincides with the Summer Solstice. This is a time for all Canadians to learn about and reflect on the unique cultures, history, experience, arts and languages of Indigenous Peoples in Canada. Throughout this month, we recognize and honour the contributions, resiliency and achievements of First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples.



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**NATIONAL INDIGENOUS
HISTORY MONTH**
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We were honoured to welcome Blackfoot Elder Shirley Hill who shared her knowledge of traditional smudging, hoop dancing, language, and stories about courage.





INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH

A school-wide celebration of Indigenous Canadian
Culture & History

WEEK ONE June 5 - 9

Visit with **Elder Shirley Hill** all about traditional dance on June 7th and 8th in LC. Teachers will sign up on shared doc.

WEEK TWO June 12 - 16

Mint Arts Indigenous Dance Performances on June 12 13:30 -14:30pm and June 13 11:00-12:00pm. Teachers will sign up on the shared doc.

WEEK THREE June 19 - 23

Indigenous Games from across Canada played outdoors as a class and **Dorvina Pearline White Quills** Indigenous flute and drum musician performances. Teachers sign up on shared doc.

JUNE 21

Classrooms will take time to recognize and celebrate **National Indigenous Peoples Day** in their own way, through art, projects, and stories.

National Indigenous Family Day & POWWOW



When: June 24, 2023 (Saturday) 9:00am to 6:00pm

Where: Enmax Park, (New Indian Village) Calgary Stampede Grounds

FREE ADMISSION
(open to public)

- 9:00am - Site Opens
- 9:30am - **FREE** Pancake Caravan Breakfast
- 10:00am - Children's Corner till 1:00pm
 - Traditional Pow Wow Registration till 11:30am
- 12:00pm - Grand Entry
- 1:00pm - Traditional Pow Wow
 - Talent Showcase
 - Hand Games Tournament
- 1:30pm - **FREE** Barbecue
- 5:30pm - Closing Ceremonies
- 6:00pm - Site Closes



Feature Attractions

- Indigenous Arts & Crafts Market (9am-5pm)
- Exhibitions of Inuit and Metis (9am-5pm)
- Children's Corner (10am-1pm)
- POWWOW (1pm-5:30pm)
- Handgame Tournament (1pm-4:30pm)
- Talent Showcase (1pm-4pm)



Visit the AAWC site for details

<https://www.aawc.ca/>

ANNEX A

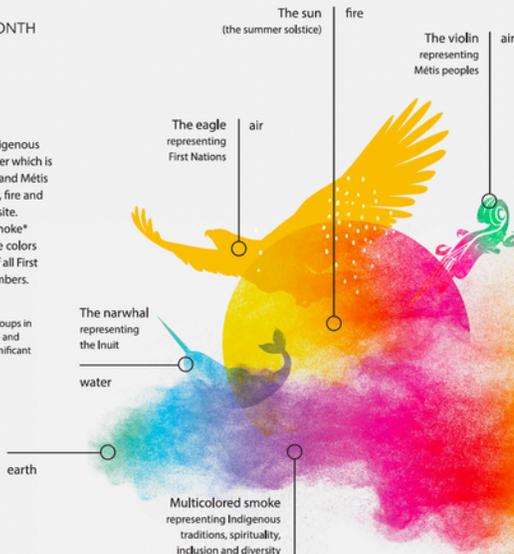
NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH
DESCRIPTION OF VISUAL ELEMENTS

Among the various visual elements illustrating Indigenous cultures, the sun (the summer solstice) is at the heart of the festivities. The First Nations, Inuit and Métis as well as the four elements of nature (earth, water, fire and air) are represented in the image and shown opposite. The whole visual is supported by a multicolored smoke* reminding us of Indigenous spirituality but also the colors of the rainbow - symbol of inclusion and diversity of all First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities and their members.

*Smoke is used in different ways by all three Indigenous groups in Canada. Whether it is to smoke fish and meat, to burn sage and tobacco or for sacred ceremonies or celebrations, it is a significant symbol in Indigenous culture.

DESCRIPTION OF THE THREE ICONS

- The eagle to represent the First Nations
- The narwhal to represent the Inuit
- The violin to represent the Métis peoples



INN FROM THE COLD INVITES YOU TO THE

KIITAAMOKO PASSKAAN

EVERYBODY DANCE!
POWWOW

CELEBRATE NEIGHBOUR DAY & JOIN US FOR A TRADITIONAL POWWOW

If you've never experienced the sounds and colours of the traditional powwow, this is your chance!

Join the dance and experience the heartbeat of the drum at this high-energy event and community celebration showcasing vibrant Indigenous culture, song and dance.

17 June 2023
1 - 5 p.m.

Grand Entry at 1:00 p.m.
855 6 Avenue S.W.
Outdoors at the JJ Bowlen Green Space

BBO, Traditional Artisans, Kids Crafts & More.

EVERYBODY WELCOME | FREE ENTRY | BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR
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