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Cold Weather Arrives

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INDIGENOUS
EDUCATION
NEWSLETTER



## OKI TO OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

A message from Mrs. Christiansen:

I've was able to visit all 6 middle schools in our division this month! We have a lot of superstar students, teachers and admin! Thank you for inviting me into your classrooms!

We look forward to seeing how each school commemorates the special Indigenous dates coming up this month. Let us know how we can help in your planning!

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Mark your calendars!

- Inuit Day Nov. 7
- Indigenous
   Veterans Day
   Nov. 8
- Rock your Mocs / Metis Week

Nov. 13 - 17

 Louis Riel Day Nov. 16



#### OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS!

Check out what our Middle School's did this month!



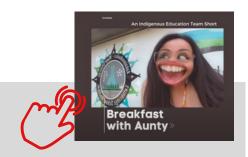
Our Cottonwood Science lesson was a hit this past month! We sent students looking for stars at G.S. Lakie and Gilbert Paterson!

The grades 7 & 8 foods class at <u>Immanuel Christian Secondary</u> made taco ready frybread on their first try! Way to go! Not one hockey puck!

MIDDLE SCHOOL BINGO NIGHT! We had a great turnout at our middle school bingo. Our Indigenous Families had a lot of fun and took home some great prizes! Thank you to our Middle school's for donating the prizes and joining us that night!

Shout out to Ms. Melting Tallow at <u>G.S Lakie</u> with their Indigenous leadership lunch group! Thank you for all your hard work!

Breakfast with Aunty started this month! We hope this can become part of your classroom morning routine!



## JUST FOR SCIENCE TEACHERS!

A few resources that could fit your upcoming units!



#### GRADE 6

#### Sky Science

- <u>Indigenous Stories of the Constellations</u>
- The Phases of the Moon & the Turtles

  Back



#### Interactions & Ecosystems

• The Buffalo as Ecosystem Engineers

#### Grade 8

#### Mechanical Systems

- Indigenous innovation & Simple machines
- <u>8 Inventions from the Indigenous</u> people of the Americas



Reach out to our Indigenous Education team if you'd like more information on any of these resources or others!



# INDIGENOUS INNOVATION HIGHLIGHT!

# Olivia Poole Of Olibwe White Earth Reservation, Minnesota

## The Ojibwe woman who invented the Jolly Jumper





From the collections at Makah Cultural and Research Center

On White Earth Reservation, Olivia Poole saw mothers using **cradleboards** as baby carriers.

Cradleboards allowed mothers and caregivers greater freedom to work or perform their daily routine while their baby was safely secured on the board.

Some mothers suspended cradleboards from a sturdy tree branch or structure to act as a hammock or swing, providing the baby with amusement.

Poole witnessed mothers pulling on the ropes or leather straps suspending the cradleboard to bounce the baby up and down.

This allowed mothers to work uninterrupted while the babies entertained themselves with the bouncing motion.



## INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN THE NEWS!

### Wab Kinew becomes Manitoba's 1st First Nations premier!



## The Las Vegas Golden Nights' Zach Whitecloud

Brings the Stanley Cup home to the Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

