

SA'AIKI'SOOM (SAW-AY-GEE-SOOM) "Duck Moon"

MARCH 2024
INDIGENOUS
EDUCATION
NEWSLETTER



Buffalo Hide hearts with Gilbert Paterson

OKI TO OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

A message from Mrs. Christiansen:

February was one of the busiest months for our Indigenous Education team in middle schools! Teachers have done an amazing job reaching out for ideas and resources, and giving our team ideas on more ways to bring Indigenous education into your classrooms!

From Winter Counts to Frybread to tipi structure, we've had a lot of fun finding ways to fit Indigenous Education into your curriculum.

Way to go!

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH:

- Indigenous Radically! Cyanotype workshop with Dakota Mace

March 16 @ Galt Museum

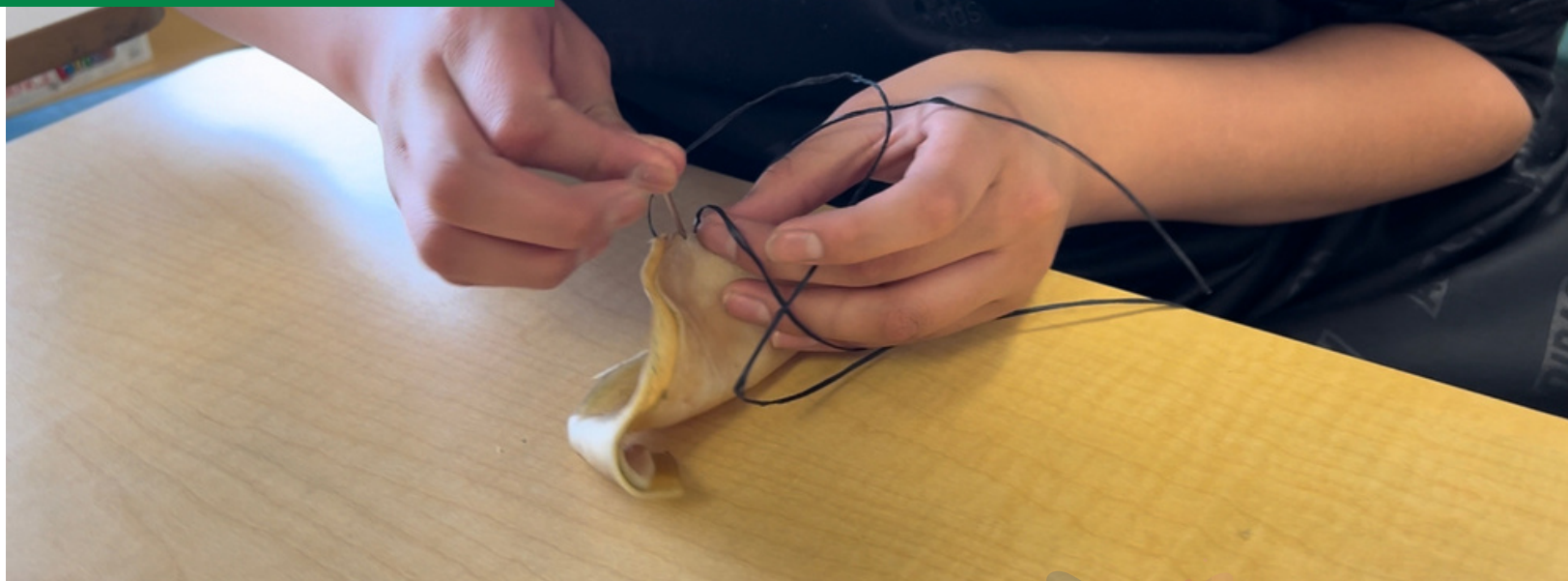
- Drying Meat with Charlie Russell

March 23 @ Galt Museum

- National Indigenous Languages Day

March 31





Mrs. Bruised Head's grade 6/7 Blackfoot class making deerhide rattles at WMS

MARCH HIGHLIGHTS!

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



Pemmican making at G.S. Lakie

Mrs. Christiansen brought Small Number stories to [Lethbridge Christian School](#) for their Family numeracy night on February 1st!

[Gilbert Paterson's](#) Tiger clan lunchgroup played handgames and made Buffalo Hide valentine hearts this month! We also made frybread with Mrs. Klein's K&E class!

[Senator Joyce Fairbairn's](#) Pisspsksiksi lunch group played handgames!

Mrs. Christiansen's grade 6 IndigeSTEAM options class at [G.S. Lakie](#) will begin this month! We had a visit with grade 6's to let them know what to expect! We can't wait to learn more about Indigenous innovation!

Shout out to Mrs. Bruised Head's Blackfoot class who made Rattles this month at [Wilson Middle School!](#)

Mrs. Adamson's foods class at [G.S. Lakie](#) got to work smashing dry meat with berries to make pemmican!

JUST FOR MATH TEACHERS!

MEET SMALL NUMBER!

The Math Catcher Outreach Program is a science outreach initiative at Simon Fraser University run by SFU faculty and staff members and students who volunteer their time towards the program.

Math Catcher introduces mathematics and science to students through the use of First Nations imagery and storytelling through their '*Small Number*' stories!



CLASSROOM RESOURCES

To support teachers and students in the exploration of the mathematical concepts contained in the Small Number stories, Math Catcher has created a series of classroom resources based on each story. Each resource includes the following: mathematical concepts contained in the story; mathematical vocabulary used in the story; cultural components in the story; possible answers to the open-ended question at the end of the story; and mathematics in- and out-of-classroom activities based on the story.



Follow this [link](#) to find these resources.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN THE NEWS NOW!

Quannah Chasinghorse (Diné/Lakota)

Indigenous model and activist known for using her platform to support Indigenous sovereignty and sustainability.



[Full Story...](#)



INDIGENOUS INFLUENCER MOMENT

See how one Inuk influencer is using TikTok to share her culture!

[Shina Novalinga](#)

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