

The Ravin' Raven

Elsie Fabian School Monthly Newsletter



Principal's Message

Tansi! Edlanet'e! Hello!

Greetings Parents, Guardians, Students, and Community Members,

As we step into the final stretch of our school year, May has been a powerful reminder of the strength, spirit, and heart of the Elsie Fabian School community.

This month, we celebrated connection—through our Mother's Day Tea, where laughter and gratitude filled the air; our Student Success Assembly, where we honoured the values of our Grandfather Teachings; and our visits to the Riverside Elders' Center, where generations shared in warmth and wisdom.

We also stood together in strength during the MMIW Awareness Walk and the Diabetes Walk, both events that showcased our collective commitment to justice, health, and community well-being. From our Grade 7–9 Montreal adventure to the Grade 9 high school tours, our students are continuing to grow, explore, and dream big. I want to commend our students for their curiosity and compassion—shown through land-based learning, nurturing ducklings in Cree class, building habitats for local wildlife, and embracing the Cree and Dene languages in everyday learning.

As always, we extend heartfelt thanks to our families and the Fort McKay community for your ongoing support. Your partnership means the world to us. I am nearly 100% certain we are the first school in history to have a parent and community member bring their helicopter to the school to help students learn about Air and Aerodynamics! This is just another example of how the community continues to support and lift up the staff and students of Elsie Fabian School.

Let's carry this spirit of celebration, care, and learning into June.

Merci Cho, Hiy Hiy, Thank you,
EFS Principal, Dr. Sarah Hiscock

Our Values

The foundation of the Elsie Fabian School is engagement in teaching and learning, parents and community, culture and traditions, and a school environment based on the principles of love, responsibility, respect, listening, nurturing, relationships, humility and learning.

THIS month

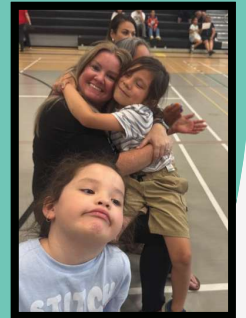
Mays Issue: What's Inside

May Student Success
Assembly
Oral Health Week!
Mothers Day Tea
MMIW Walk
Walk for diabetes
Grade 7–9 Montreal Trip
FMFN Education Celebration



MAY STUDENT SUCCESS ASSEMBLY

The purpose of our student success assemblies is to foster a feeling of community within our school. Each month will focus on one of the seven Grandfather teachings. This month, our Grandfather Teacher theme centers on and was led by the K class.



MAY STUDENT SUCCESS ASSEMBLY

Perfect Attendance



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| K5 | Kayley Soucie | Grade 5 | Maddox Donofrio |
| Grade 1 | Kailynn L'Hommecourt Montaevyn Faichney Mila Fitzpatrick | Grade 6 | Cat Lacorde |
| Grade 4 | Montrey Faichney Ally Willier Layla Serafinchan | | |



Land Based Learning

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| Division 1 | Kayley Soucie, Junior Spencer, Eden Laliberte, Halo McDonald |
| Division 2 | Callie Lockhart, Darius Willier, Emily Durocher |
| Division 3 | Kalilea Faichney, Grayson Boucher, Harley Drover |

Follow the Seven Teachings

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| K5 | Kayley Soucie |
| Grade 1 | Kailynn L'Hommecourt |
| Grade 2 | Kylie Stanley |
| Grade 3 | Phoenix Laliberte Stella Dyson |
| Grade 4 | Ally Willier |
| Grade 5 | JayJay Mercredi-Orr |
| Grade 6 | Kenna Serafinchan |
| Grade 7 | Shania Grandjambe |
| Grade 8 | Harley Gladue |
| Grade 9 | Sadie Gladue |

Most Improved

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| K5 | Ilya Hogg | Grade 5 | Ayria Moses-Boucher |
| Grade 1 | Montaevyn Faichney | Grade 6 | |
| Grade 2 | Nico L'Hommecourt | Grade 7 | Teighlor Marcel |
| Grade 3 | Mya McGilvery Zyanna Grandjambe | Grade 8 | Summer Boucher |
| Grade 4 | Felix Faichney Junior | Grade 9 | Sadi Gladue |

Cree

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|------------|----------------|
| Division 1 | Hunter Stanley |
| Division 2 | Eliza Howe |
| Division 3 | Harley Drover |

Dene

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| Division 1 | Makenna Grandjambe |
| Division 2 | Maddox Donofrio |
| Division 3 | Samara Donofrio |

Sneaky Slipper

Award

Grade 5



Golden Garbage Can

Award
Grade 3



Healthy Habits

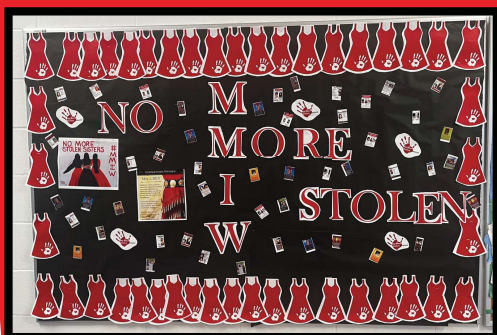
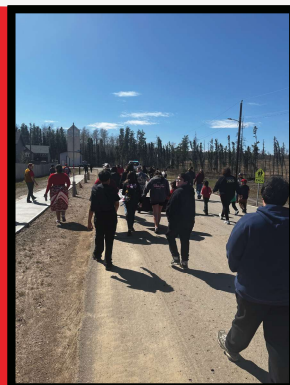
Award

Grade 9

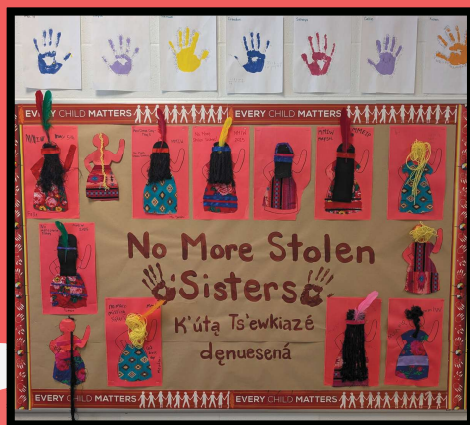




MAY 5 - MMIW WALK



Lets raise awareness and remember Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and peoples



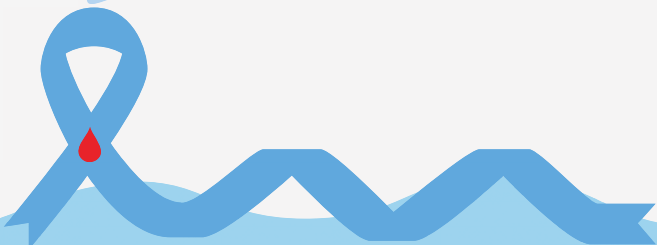
WALK FOR DIABETES



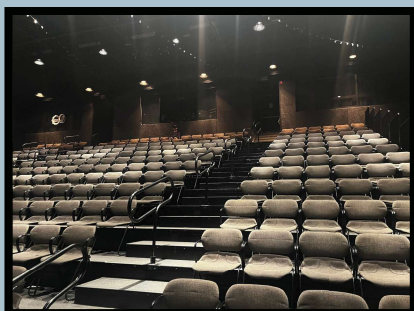
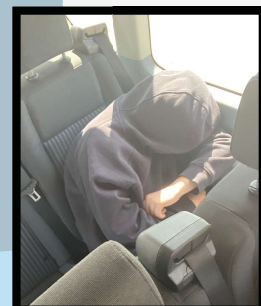
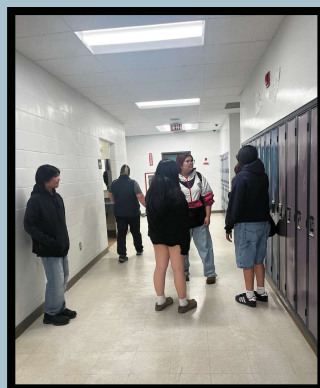
Walk to the river to see the elders



STAFF AND STUDENTS PROUDLY HOSTED THIS YEAR'S DIABETES WALK, CREATING A DAY FILLED WITH PURPOSE AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT. THE EVENT FEATURED A WALK AROUND CAMPUS, ENGAGING ACTIVITIES, AND INFORMATIVE STATIONS AIMED AT RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT DIABETES. THANKS TO THE ENTHUSIASTIC PARTICIPATION AND TEAMWORK OF EVERYONE INVOLVED, THE DAY WAS BOTH EDUCATIONAL AND INSPIRING, BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER IN SUPPORT OF A HEALTHIER FUTURE.



GRADE NINE HIGH SCHOOL TOUR



Grade nine students recently had the exciting opportunity to visit two local high schools as they begin to plan for next year.

The day kicked off with a tour of Father Mercredi, where students explored programs and activities that sparked their interests. After a fun lunch at Boston Pizza, the group wrapped up the afternoon with a visit to Holy Trinity, getting a well-rounded look at what each school has to offer. It was a great day full of discovery, decisions, and a taste of what's to come!

GRADE 6 AIR AND AERODYNAMICS UNIT



Elsie Fabian School would like to say thank Charlie L'Hommecourt for coming to the school to help the Grade 6 class learn about helicopters for their air and aerodynamics unit!



FIRE SAFETY AT EFS



We are incredibly thankful to the Fort McKay Fire Department and Emergency Services for visiting our school and providing an engaging and educational fire safety session for our students. Their team shared valuable tips on how to stay safe during emergencies, sparking important conversations in our classrooms. To top off the experience, students had the exciting opportunity to explore the fire trucks up close—an unforgettable highlight of the day!



Rooted in Respect: A Day with the Elders



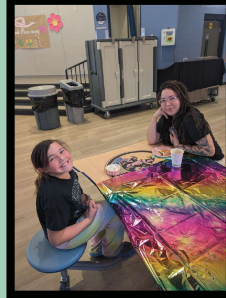
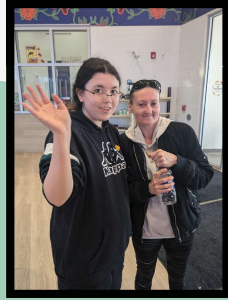
Our younger students were absolutely delighted to spend a special afternoon at Riverside elders' care home. From heartfelt laughter to cherished stories shared and doing crafts, the visit was filled with warmth, gentle hugs, and beautiful memories that blossomed between generations. These precious moments of connection truly touched everyone's hearts and reminded us all of the joy found in simple togetherness.



our beautiful Elders &
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MOTHERS DAY TEA



HAPPY
Mother's Day



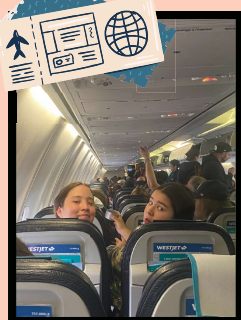
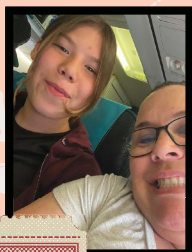
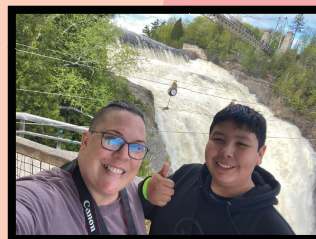
This past month, our school was filled with love and gratitude as we hosted a very special Mother's Day Tea. Students invited their mothers, grandmothers, aunties, and sisters to join in a beautiful celebration of the women who nurture, support, and inspire them every day. The room was full of smiles, shared stories, and meaningful moments that truly touched our hearts. We are so grateful to everyone who came and made the day so special—it was a celebration we'll always cherish.

MOTHERS DAY TEA



GRADE 7-9 MONTREAL TRIP

TRAVEL



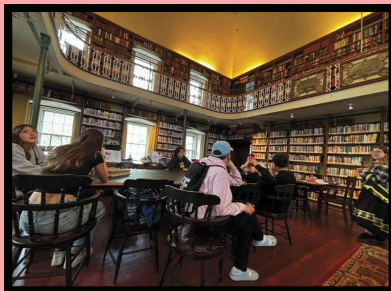
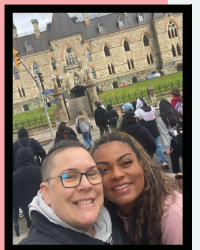
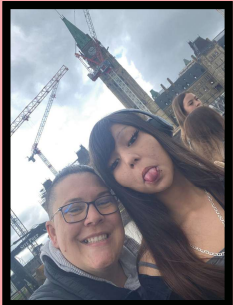
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GRADE 7-9 MONTREAL TRIP



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FMFN EDUCATION CELEBRATION



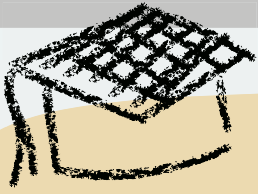
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Here at Elsie Fabian School, we were delighted to once again host this year's Education Celebration—a heartfelt tribute to the incredible achievements of our students from Kindergarten to Grade 12, including our dedicated E-Learning learners and Post-Secondary students. This event is a time to reflect on the resilience, perseverance, and passion for learning that our students have shown throughout the year. We are deeply proud of each and every one of you for your commitment to growth and excellence. Today, we honor your journey, celebrate your success, and look forward with excitement to all that lies ahead.

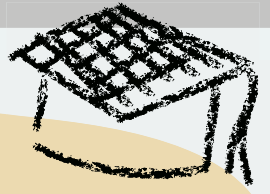
A big shout out to our education team, the many volunteers, staff, community and sponsors who helped make this celebration extra special - Mahsi Cho - Hiy Hiy!



EFS 2025 KINDERGARTEN GRADUATES



C O N G R A T S



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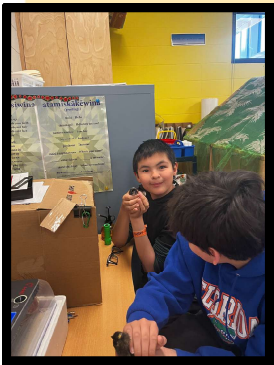
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CHICKS & DUCKS IN CREE CLASS!



perfect socks
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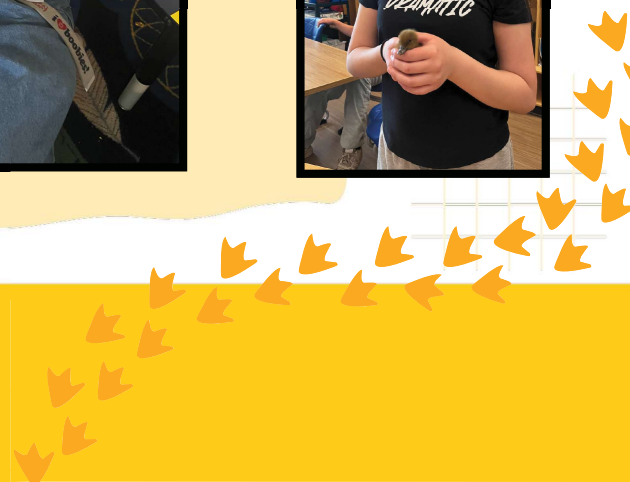
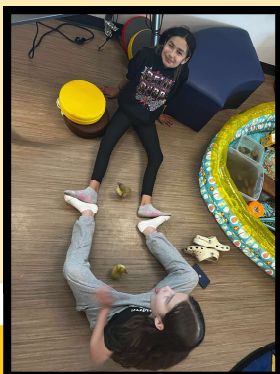
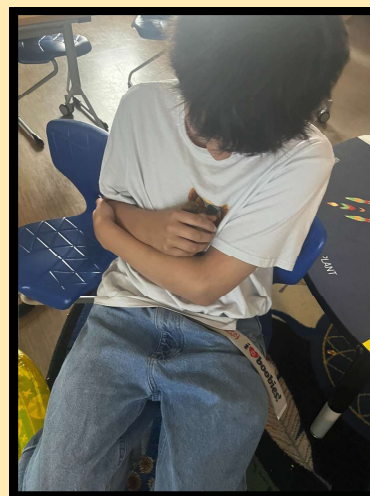
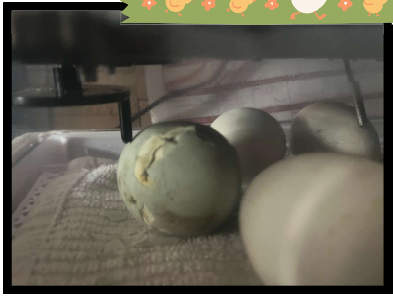


Exciting news from the Cree class! Over the past few weeks, students have been eagerly watching as chick and duck eggs incubated in their classroom. With great joy, they witnessed the magical moment the eggs began to hatch—first the chicks, then the ducklings! It was a hands-on learning experience filled with wonder and care. However, we were a little sad to say goodbye as we sent our feathered friends back on May 30, but the memories and lessons will stay with us.



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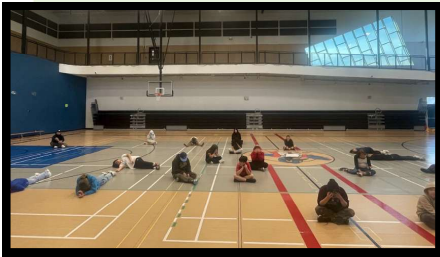
Over the May long weekend, something special happened—our duck eggs began to hatch! When the kids returned on Tuesday morning, they were thrilled to discover three fluffy ducklings had arrived. With three eggs still left to hatch, the excitement continues as everyone eagerly watches and waits for the next arrivals.



EFS students being Active & Awesome in PE!

REMINDER

As it is warm with the hot weather here, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for gym class and outdoor recess—light, breathable clothing, a hat, and sunscreen are recommended. Don't forget to pack a refillable water bottle to help them stay cool and hydrated throughout the day.



KEYANO HUSKIES at EFS!

A big thank-you to the Keyano Huskies Women's Basketball Team for visiting Elsie Fabian School! Coach Dwayne Vigilance, along with student-athletes #8 Chigoa Gatwech, #14 Alexis Kemp, and #20 Jaylynn Twin, led basketball drills and even joined in for a fun 5-on-5 game.

It's so important for our students to see strong female athletes leading by example and serving as positive role models. The gym was filled with energy—students were out of breath, grinning from ear to ear.

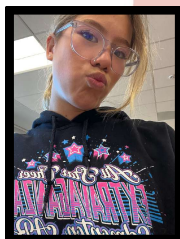
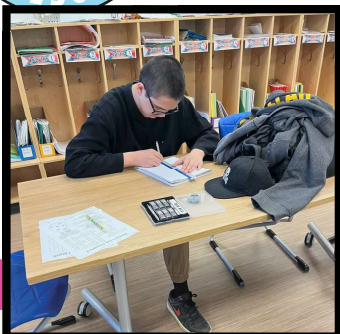
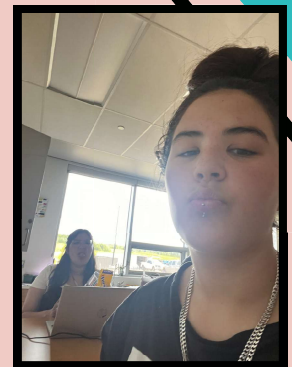
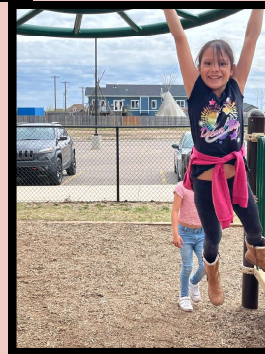
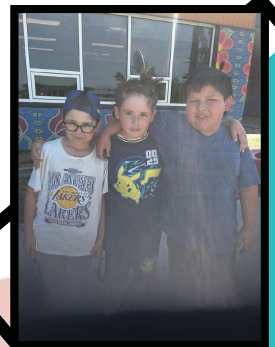
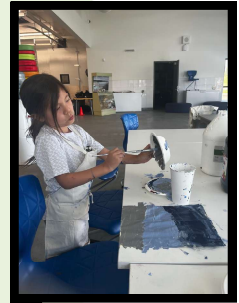
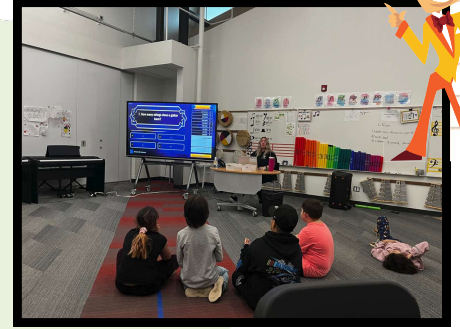
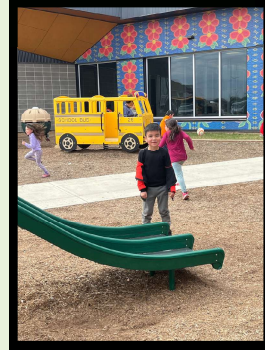
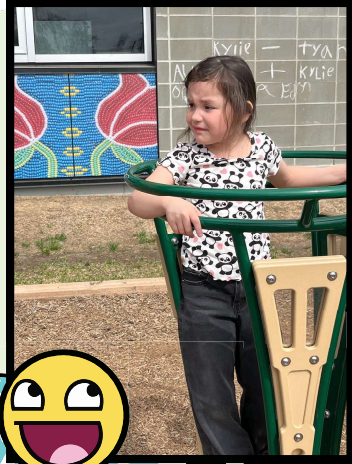
Thank You Huskies!



BASKETBALL

EFS Students and Staff Being Awesome!

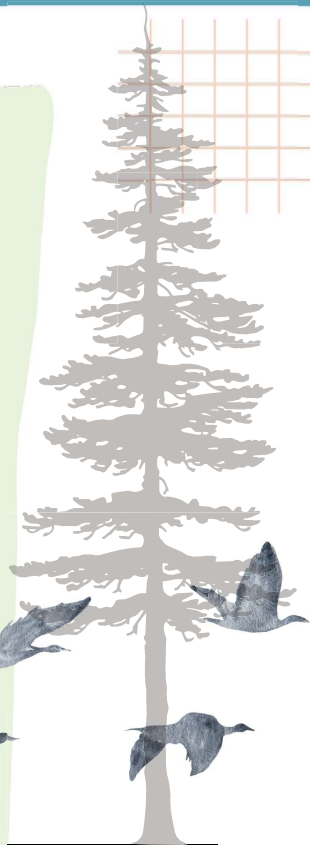
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LAND BASED LEARNING

In Land-Based Learning this month, students engaged in a meaningful exploration of how to care for and support the natural world around them. Through discussions, observation, and hands-on activities, they learned about the unique needs of different local wildlife, focusing especially on insects and birds. The students discovered how important safe habitats are for these creatures to thrive and how even small efforts can have a positive impact on the environment.

Putting their learning into action, the students designed and built bug hotels and birdhouses using natural and recycled materials. These structures will provide shelter, nesting spaces, and protection for a variety of species, including pollinators like bees and butterflies, and common local birds. In addition to practicing teamwork and problem-solving, the students developed a deeper appreciation for the role each creature plays in maintaining a healthy ecosystem. Their thoughtful creations will now serve as lasting contributions to the schoolyard and community green spaces, encouraging biodiversity and environmental stewardship.



CREE & DENE WORDS OF THE MONTH

Tansi! Edlanet'e!

Month of May

At Elsie Fabian School, we're dedicated to fostering a learning environment where students connect deeply with both Dene and Cree language. Each month, we introduce new words in Dene and Cree to help students build a strong foundation in these languages, and we encourage you to practice these words together at home as a family.

Take a few moments to practice these words with your children. It's a wonderful way to honor our traditions and foster respect for language and culture, both inside and outside of school.



THIS MONTH'S WORDS:

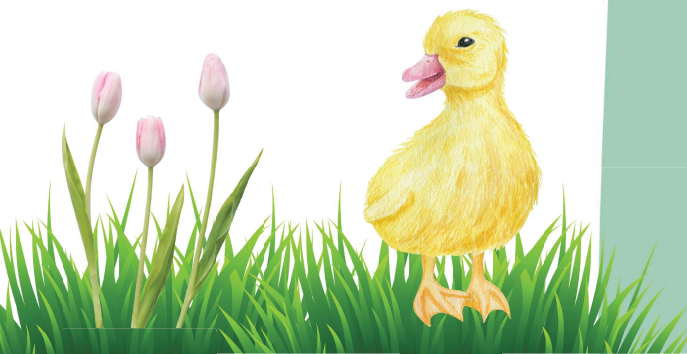
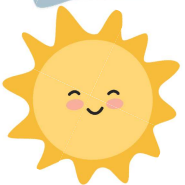
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Dene:chÿth

cree: sîsîp

weather, good (Dene): hurélyâ

Hot weather (Cree): kisâstew



FIND THE WORDS



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Find the words

Backpack

Books

Chalkboard

Classroom

Desk

Homework

Pencil

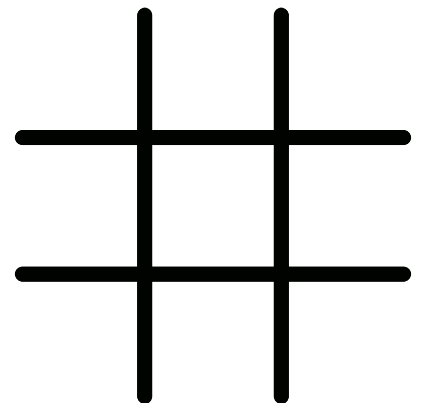
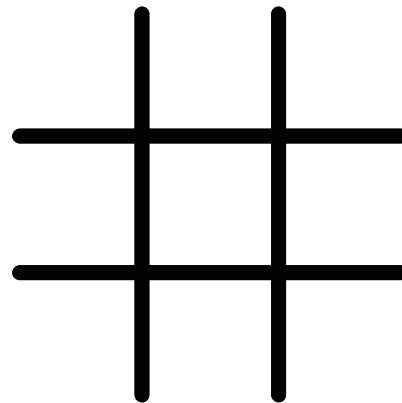
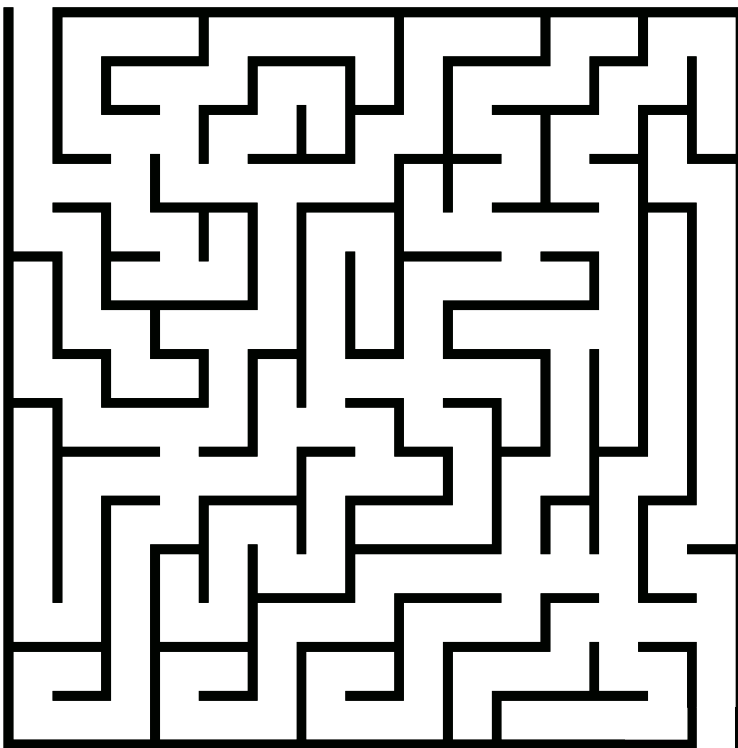
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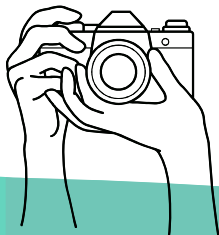


Help me find my friends



SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Daily in-school & Extracurricular Activities

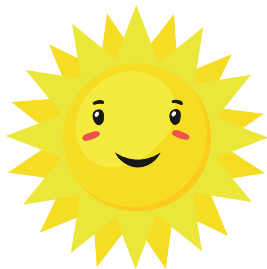


Photography Club



Girls at Bat

Basketball



WHAT'S NEXT?



**ELSIE FABIAN SCHOOL
YEAR END AWARDS**

JUNE 24 • 2:26 PM
SPECIAL PRESENTATION GRADE 9 STUDENTS
LEAVING ELSIE FABIAN SCHOOL



PARENTS/GUARDIANS WELCOME
RAVENS

FORT MCMURRAY GIANTS
BASEBALL CLUB

FORT MCMURRAY GIANTS VS EDMONTON PROSPECTS

CELEBRATING ANTI-BULLYING DAY
LET'S COME TOGETHER
FOR A DAY OF FUN, TEAM SPIRIT,
AND SUPPORTING A GREAT CAUSE!

11 June, 2025
Leaves EFS: 9:45 am
Return: 2:00 pm
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shell place at Mac Island

FREE BASEBALL GAME

special opportunity:
Take pictures with
the baseball players
Inflatable games

IMPORTANT NOTES:
Lunch Provided: Hot dog or Burger
Snacks available to and from game
Optional Paid Concession



Upcoming School Activities in June...

- Giants baseball game
- Year End awards
- Fathers Day
- Fun Day
- Last Day of School - June 25th

Check
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Check out the June Calendar
for details on upcoming
school activities..

June →



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June



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 | 2 Day 2 Girls at bat 3:15-4:30pm Jr C & C meeting | 3 Day 1 Parent Council Meeting 5pm | 4 Day 2 Girls at bat 3:15-4:30pm | 5 Day 1 | 6 No School | 7 |
| 8 | 9 Day 2 Girls at bat 3:15-4:30pm Jr C & C meeting | 10 Day 1 | 11 Day 2 Girls at bat 3:15-4:30pm Giants Baseball Game for EFS 9:45am-3pm | 12 Day 1 Handball workshop in PE | 13 Day 2 Last day of classes for Junior High | 14 |
| 15 | 16 Day 1 Father's Day Lunch Jr C & C meeting Girls at bat 3:15-4:30pm Gr7-9 ELA Exams 12:45-3:15pm | 17 Day 2 Div 1 & 2 Field Trip to The Alley @ 9am Gr7-9 Social Exams 12:45-3:15pm | 18 Day 1 Girls at bat 3:15-4:30pm Gr7-9 Science Exams 12:45-3:15pm | 19 Day 2 Gr7-9 Math Exams 12:45-3:15pm | 20 No School Fort McKay Treaty Days | 21 Fort McKay Treaty Days |
| 22 No school this week for Junior High students except for report card pick up Wednesday June 25th | 23 Day 1 Fun day K5-Gr6 (pm) | 24 Day 2 Year End Awards Ceremony @ 2:35pm | 25 Day 1 Report Cards go home (Jr high report card pickup) LAST DAY FOR KIDS (K5-Gr 6) | 26 | 27 Last day for staff | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |

LUNCH MENU

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June

Lunch Menu



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 | 2 Day 2 Cereal, fruit cups & yogurt Chicken strips fries/poutine, corn cob | 3 Day 1 Pancakes, bacon & fresh fruit Beef Stir-fry, rice & eggrolls | 4 Day 2 Muffins, cheese, fruit cups & yogurt Shake n bake chicken, mash potato, gravy & mixed veggies | 5 Day 1 Boiled /fried eggs, hash browns & sausage Sheperds pie & croissants | 6 No School | 7 |
| 8 | 9 Day 2 Pancakes & bacon Chicken Burgers, potato patty & corn cob | 10 Day 1 Cereal, fruit cups & yogurt Chicken Alfredo, cali veggies & garlic toast | 11 Day 2 Boiled & scramble eggs, bacon & hash patties | 12 Day 1 Muffins, fresh fruit, cheese & smoothies Hamburger stroganoff, corn & croissant | 13 Day 2 Fried eggs, bacon, hash browns & fresh fruit Sweet & sour chicken, rice & egg rolls | 14 |
| 15 | 16 Day 1 Cereal, fruit cups & nutri-grain Father's Day Lunch Burgers/hotdogs, fries/poutine & broccoli salad | 17 Day 2 Scramble eggs, bacon & hashbrowns Chicken Fajita, mexifries w/ cheese sauce | 18 Day 1 Muffins, yogurt tubes & fruit cups Spaghetti & garlic toast | 19 Day 2 Pancakes & sausage Ham, roasted potato & glazed carrots | 20 No School | 21 |
| 22 | 23 Day 1 Cereal, fruit cups, yogurt tubes & cheese Chicken wings, fries/gravy & corn | 24 Day 2 Fried/boiled eggs, hash patties & bacon Taco in a bag, mexi fries w/cheese sauce | 25 Day 1 Cereal, yogurt cups & fresh fruit Pizza bagels & veggie stix LAST DAY FOR KIDS | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |



PARENT REMINDERS

SCHOOL CLOUD

Parents should have received a link to create a School Cloud account during the first week of school. Once you create an account, you will be able to view your child's academic progress, lates or absences. Please check your Spam folder if you have not received the link. For more information on School Cloud please visit the link below:

<https://sites.google.com/fortmckayededucation.ca/schoolcloud/home>



REMIND/CLASS DOJO

Parents may receive a link from their child's teacher to opt in to the Remind text messaging program or Class Dojo program. This allows your child's teacher to communicate with you. These great communication tools can keep you up-to-date on what is happening in your classroom, and at school. For more information, see the links below:

<https://www.remind.com/>

<https://www.classdojo.com/>



ABSENCES, LATES OR LEAVING EARLY

Please call the front office if your child will be late, absent or has to leave early to excuse them. If your child is absent and not excused, staff will begin making phone calls at 9:00 am to inquire about their whereabouts.

If you need to pick up your child early from school, or drop off something to them, please go to the front office to sign in and wait for your child. While we want parents to visit the school, it must be during appropriate times. We must ensure that visitors do not disrupt the learning environment. If you need to see your child during the school day, the front office will call their classrooms and they will come down to meet you and be released.

ELSIE FABIAN SCHOOL BELL TIMES

8:15 AM Students begin to arrive
8:30 AM Classes begin
10:08 AM to 10:18 AM Body break
10:18 AM Classes begin
11:56 AM to 12:16 PM Lunch
12:16 PM to 12:38 PM Body break
12:38 PM Classes begin
2:16 PM to 2:26 PM Body break
2:26 PM Classes begin
3:15 PM Classes end - Home time

2024/25 School Calendar

Elsie Fabian School 2024-2025 Calendar

| August 2024 | September 2024 | October 2024 | November 2024 |
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| First and Last Day for Staff |
| First and Last Day for Students |
| Stats/School Breaks - No School |
| Professional Learning Fridays No School |
| Non-Operational Day - No School |
| ATA Convention-No School |

2024-2025 Important Dates:

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| Sept. 3 | First Day for Students |
| Dec. 23 - Jan. 5 | Christmas Break |
| Feb 24 - Feb 26 | Non-op Day No school |
| Apr. 15 - Apr. 21 | Easter |
| June 25 | Last Day for Students |



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