



Senator Myles Venne School



NOVEMBER 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19: SMVS follows the provincial *Close Contact Protocol* for students. All visitors and after school participants must be double vaccinated. Public Health Nurses will be in the school **November 1st, 9th, 25th and 30th for COVID-19 vaccinations and other immunizations including the flu shot.**

Elders Program: Cultural/spiritual activities and supports are provided to students. Student are welcome to stop by for a visit and check out the clothing donations in Room 153.

Halloween: Staff and students who participated in a costume and door competition were awarded prizes. The winners are: Gavin Mahoney, Nathan Bell, Joseph McKay, Roman Ratt, Ariel Roberts, Eugene Sanderson, Kristopher McCallum & Megan Charles.

Music Program: LJ Kimbley is from Prince Albert and has been a recording artist for 10 years. He offers music lessons in room 157 for all students during lunch on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. After School Music lessons on Mondays and Wednesdays for high school students.

Nutrition Program provides students with breakfast and hot lunch meal at no cost.

Remembrance Day will be virtual on SMVS Facebook page on **November 10th at 11:00 am** to commemorate our First Nation veterans who served.

Report Card Day for students is on November 25th. Students will attend classes as usual.

Smudging Ceremony: Knighton Hillstrom will conduct the optional ceremony for students. Parental permission notes will be sent home with students. The ceremony will be performed in the mornings on **Mondays for Gr. 6-8 and Fridays for Gr. 9-12.**

School Picture day is on November 24th. The school will purchase a basic package for the students this year.

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION:

Phone: 306-425-2478

Principal - Robert Whiteman

Vice-Principals: Dale Ahenakew & Michelle McCallum

SCHOOL STAFF:

Administrative Assistant – Connie Brooks

Bus Drivers: Brian Mirasty, Rachel McDonald, Jason Blue & Terry McKenzie

Community School Rec Coordinator – Charlie "Tom" Cook

Educational Assistants: Phyllis Proux, Viola Skogstad, Kelly Parada, Violet Custer, Hazel Charles, Shauna Charles, Randall Morin, Sandra Venne, Lena McKenzie & Molly Ratt

Elders: Alice Rediron & Rosella Carney

Guidance Counsellor - Lorie Peters-Whiteman

Janitors: Angelique Venne, Charlie Ross, Tina Halkett, **Vacant**

Librarian – Elysia Charles

Lunch Program Coordinator – Samantha Plunz

Maintenance – Wally Parada

Retention Workers: Ambrose Charles & Lily Rose Haberman

Social Worker – Barbara Isbister

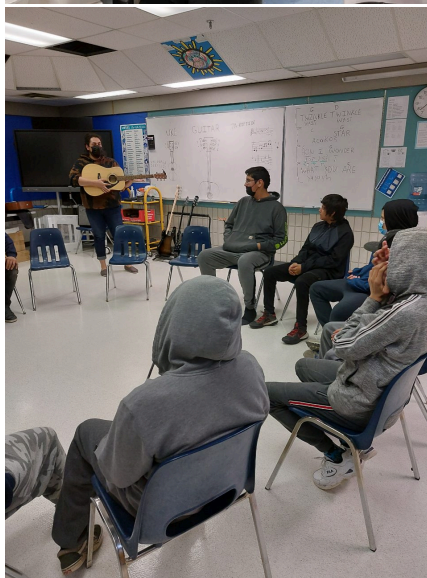
Student Success Coach (half-time) - **Vacant**

Student Support Worker – Wanda Schneider

Teachers (Elementary/Middle/High):

Christina Clarke, Sarah Mekawy, Norma Bird, Michael Maurer, Matt Collier, Kara Schneider-Ross, Vanessa Dussion, Joshua Roberts, Nolan McKay, Connie Ulriksen, Anne Cook, Steve Aldridge, Kristen Charles, Leona McLeod, Henry Potts, Josie Pelly, Christine McKenzie, Josie Roberts, Vince Lavallee, Jenny Cook

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES & OTHER EVENTS



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Extra-curricular activities for students:

- **Board game** night in Mr. Maurer's class (rm 146) Wednesday's from 3:15 to 4:30 pm.
- **Dungeons & dragons** after school club is starting up soon. Sign up at room 149 with Mr. Joshua Roberts.
- **Ribbon skirt/shirt** making After-school program will be starting soon in October/Nov/Dec with Anne Cook. Sign-up in room 135.

SMVS Recreation Programs; NSCRD Recreation Coordinator, Tom Cook

- Must be **Double Vaccinated or proof of negative test** for all programs. All activities will follow the LLRIB Covid-19 safety protocols. All social distancing measures must be followed at all times. Public can join in evening programs 5-8:30. Masks for all events.
- **Squid games:** Older childhood games (no violence) Red light, green light. Tug o war, marbles, etc.... Other games that my age played as kids in 80's 90's. Kick the can, stealing sticks, flag tag.



Virtue of the Month

Unity
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FOLLOWING THEIR VOICES VISION

STATEMENT: Education that promotes accelerated learning for First Nations, Métis and Inuit students where learning is joyful, culture is affirmed and students are given real choice for their future.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Guidance Counselling:

- **Grade 8 Career Education** had the Guidance Counsellor, Lorie Peters-Whiteman present with the 4th Year Nursing students. Jodie Sierzycki transitioned from an Emergency Response Team (EMT) to a Nursing student and Tamara Ratt upgraded her Adult 12 to a Nursing student.



- **Grade 12 Career Planning Presentation** will be on Friday, November 5th @ 11:15 am; SMVS School Gym. Presenters will be: LLRIB Post-Secondary Student Support Program, Woodland Cree Enterprises Incorporated Student Support Program & GDI Northern SK Indigenous Teachers Education Program. Available funding and the partnership with GDI located on-reserve will be presented.
- **Adult 12 students** who are 21 years and older qualify for the Provincial Training Allowance (PTA) or can remain on Income Assistance (Social Assistance) with a \$200/month top up. **Apply to the SIIT – Adult 10 or Adult 12 program.**
- **Contact Stella Sanderson (306) 425-5891** to do a CCAT test at Mikisiw School building. Fill out a Woodland Cree form, Career Action Plan with the SIIT application form. **Classes begin January 2022. Contact Grace Charles @ (306) 425-1155** for more information.

SMVS HUSKIES

Cross Country

In early September, SMVS Huskies had two races in Prince Albert at Red River Park. We had 4 athletes attend the first race which was a 10k Fun Run. Athletes that attended were Luke Halkett, Ariel Roberts, Thane Bird and Timothy Ratt. All 4 runners had completed the 10k course in under 1 hour and 30 minutes.

In October 2021, the second race was the Conference Cross Country event, which was held in Prince Albert at Red River Park. We had 2 athletes who attended, Luke Halkett and Margrett Charles and Margrett finished 8th in her age division and advanced to the Provincial Cross-Country event in Humboldt, Saskatchewan on October 16, 2021. Congratulations Margrett Charles on attending the Provincial Cross-Country race in Humboldt, SK.

Volleyball – Sr. Boys and Sr. Girls

- Sr. Boys and Sr. Girls Volleyball teams attended the Carleton volleyball tournament held in Prince Albert on October 22-23, 2021. They competed against 10 other teams. Good job to the SMVS Huskies Sr. Boys and Girls Volleyball teams.

Upcoming Tournaments

- Sr. Boys: Conference Playoffs – Osler, Saskatchewan. November 12-13, 2021
- Sr. Girls: Conference Playoffs – Shellbrook, Saskatchewan. November 5-6, 2021



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
SMVS Recreation Programs; Monday – Friday; times vary (see below)				
XBOX 1/Computers 3:15-4:30 (Library) Basketball 5-8:30 (Main gym)	Squid games 3:15-4:30 (Mini gym) Volleyball 5-8:30 (Main gym)	minuwusootan “Let’s cook” 3:15-4:30 (Home Ec) Basketball/Darts 5-8:30 (Main/mini gym)	Board games & Beading 3:15-4:30 (Home Ec) Flag football 5-8:30 (Main gym)	Indoor baseball 3:15-4:30 (Main gym) Arts & Crafts 5-8:30 Tea and bannock (Home Ec)
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10 Remembrance Day Ceremony @ 10:30 am	11 School Closed – Remembrance Day Stat Holiday	12 School Closed – First Nation Unity Day Holiday
15	16	17	18	19
22 Education Week	23	24 Picture Day with Lifetouch	25 Report Card Day – students will attend classes as usual	26 No Classes for Students – PD/Staff meeting
29	30			