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Another year begins

Pontiac school began our 2016/2017 school year by participating in the community's Fall Fair. We entered a float that had the theme of "Back to Traditions" and our students dressed in regalia. We won second place and you can see our group photo and ribbon showcased in the main office. We would like to say a big chi-miigwech to the staff and students who participated in this venture. It was great to see everyone involved in this annual tradition.

On September 22nd, we had the Anishinawbek Ontario Fisheries Resource Centre visit some of our students. Students were engaged in learning how to identify species of fish and invasive species with a presentation that included images and specimens of various aquatic life, such as gobies, fresh water eels and a fresh water lamprey. Our students enjoyed the presentations by Heidi Manitowabi and guest, Danielle Recollet-Saikkonen.

On Friday, September 23rd many of our students participated in Kina Gbezhgomi's Cultural Days. We had various students participating in the creation of medicine pouches, rice husk dolls, and soap stone inukshuks. The students were very proud of their creations and enjoyed the teachings

shared that day with their activities they participated in. Miigwech to KINA for this hands on learning opportunity!

On September 29th, we honoured residential school survivors by wearing orange. It was great to see all involved and we had various classes participating in activities that taught them of our history and made them think critically about residential schools and what students endured during that time. Some staff and students shared stories from their families while other students created poetry and artwork to represent their understanding of the importance of Orange Shirt day and remembering our history.

On September 29th we had three teams travel to the Island Wide Three Pitch tournaments. Our two Junior teams traveled to Gore Bay and our Senior team represented us in Mindemoya. There was tough competition at both events and Pontiac students represented Pontiac well. The Juniors and Seniors both lost out in their semi-final games. Everyone showed great sportsmanship on and off the field. It was a great day of ball. Way to go Pontiac!

Pontiac News

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UPCOMING EVENTS

October Calendar

October 3 – Parent Council

October 6 – Wiky Invitational @ Rainbow Ridge Golf Course

October 7 – Picture Day

October 10 – NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Monday

October 20 – Gore Bay Island wide Cross Country event

October 25 – 4/5/6 Healthy Lifestyle Presentation

October 26 – Skills Ontario Presentation for 7/8 students

October 27 – Earl Lambert Presentation for 7/8 students

October 28 – NO SCHOOL – P.D. Day

October 31 – Black and Orange Spirit Day

PLEASE ENSURE YOU CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE TO SEE OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER AND MONTHLY NUTRITION SCHEDULE. STUDENTS RECEIVE A SNACK DURING THEIR FIRST NUTRITION BREAK.



The pictures show our hard work to participate in the Fall Fair Parade, arts and crafts created during KINA's cultural days and knowledge shared by Ms. Manitowabi on Orange Shirt day.



This year's Gardening club was plentiful and they celebrated by creating a meal with their crops.

HAND IN:

Please ensure you have handed in the following documents:

- Allergy information sheet
- Student Registration Verification sheet



REMINDERS

School phones are to be used for emergency purposes only. Please ensure your child is aware of where they are going after school. Bus arrangements for students to a place other than their home address is the parent's responsibility, not the school bus.

Please hand in the media release form as this allows us to share our school community's stories through images in our newsletters, twitter account and WBE social media.

Please ensure lunches dropped off have your child's name on them and that they are placed on the appropriate shelf (labelled in the office).

