



Acímonis - January 2010



Tansi, Attitu, Hello

The First Nation, Métis and Inuit Coordinator position at St. Andrew's School in High Prairie is still vacant. Any inquiries can be made to the school at 780 523 4595.

One of Valerie Norman's Senior High Aboriginal Studies students from St. Andrew's

School, will be presenting her research assignment about her Métis heritage and her community to the Board of Trustees at their December meeting. Her recent presentation to the first year teachers was very interesting and preceded the Elder's cultural awareness presentation. What better way to give a cultural

awareness session to staff than from a student followed by an Elder's presentation? I am looking forward to seeing her refined presentation again.

Vanessa Malegana

Elder's Meditation of the Day

"It seems that if Elders can feel that you are open to learning, they are more than generous with their teaching."

--Chief Councilor, Leonard George

There is a saying, when the student is ready the teacher appears. If the Elders sense that you are ready, they will help you see and learn new things. Most human beings love to share what they know with people who are excited to listen. If you are talking to someone and you feel they really aren't listening, you won't want to tell them much. Before you go talk to the Elders, examine your motives - are you really excited about listening to them?

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Good Shepherd School - Christmas is a time of waiting for Jesus; please join us in celebrating Jesus' birth through the upcoming events at our school and Parish.

Christmas Concerts:

Wednesday, December 16th @7:00
Thursday, December 17th @ 7:00

School Mass

Thursday December, 17th @ 10am

Our Lady of Peace Schedule:

Christmas Eve Children's Mass
Thursday December 24th @5:00pm

Christmas Eve Mass
Thursday December 24th @7:30 pm

Midnight Mass -Thursday December 24th @ 12:00 am- Midnight

Susan Dirksen

Holy Family School -Tansi

December is finally here and Christmas is just around the corner.

Here's an update of the programs I will be starting in January. There will be an after school homework club and an after school craft program. We will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays in the library, Tuesdays is for homework and Thursdays will be the craft night. This will run from 3:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Hand-game practices will be starting in January and I will be bringing in an instructor to assist me with the hand-games and drumming.

The bannock lunches are a success with the students and the teaching staff. The next bannock lunches are on December 16th and 18th.

The Open House at Holy Family was an excellent opportunity to meet parents. All in all it was a good evening.

Lynn Noskey

Ecole Providence — January 6th

Vanessa Malegana will be coming into Aboriginal Studies classes to do Inukshuk presentations and to talk about the significance of the Inukshuks. The students will try their hand at making an Inukshuk. On January 8th Vanessa will visit for the Eskimo donuts.

Dave Matilipi will visit on the 18th of January for Medicine Wheel presentations for Aboriginal Studies classes.

Students will continue their Three Little Bears Story translation into the Cree Language and will get to create their own versions of the Three Bears. Grades six to nine students will then read their stories in Cree to the grade one students.

Grades 4 & 5 are learning Cree words along with their spellings using flashcards. Once enough words are learned, the cards will be then in turn be used for bingo.

Norma Chalifoux