## OSOYOOS INDIAN BAND COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



## OCTOBER 2023

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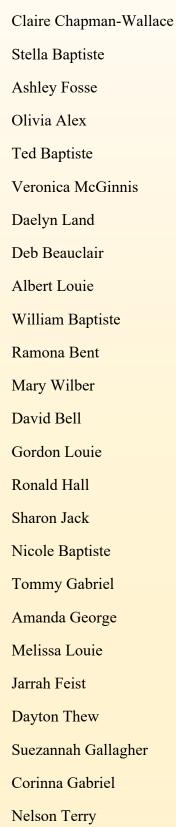
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# BAND MEETING NOTICE

Please be advised that the next **MONTHLY BAND MEETING** will be <u>5pm Thursday October 26, 2023</u>

NK'MIP COMMUNITY HALL,

Dinner will be provided at 5:00PM.

## Agenda:

Topics you want discussed at the Band meeting, please contact Sammy Louie at 250-498-3444 Ext 3020 or email: <u>SLouie@oib.ca</u> and she will make up an agenda.

Sincerely,

**Chief Clarence Louie** 

All band members are encouraged to attend to voice your concerns and opinions.



## **COOPERATION MINING AGREEMENT**



The OIB council signed a "cooperation mining agreement" for a proposed mine near Rossland BC. The mine might not happen it is a proposed mine but the planning going forward will involve OIB with environmental and jobs and revenue sharing opportunities.

- 1. The project falls within the lands of the Okanagan Nation and more specifically those of the Osoyoos Indian Band.
- 2. As title holders to the land, the Government of BC referred the project to OIB.
- 3. OIB conducted its own independent environmental review of the project.
- 4. All issues we have raised with the company are being handled by them respectfully and openly.
- 5. After our environmental and economic review we have determined we can work progressively to ensure that IF the project goes ahead it will be done in a way that respects the environment and OIB's title.
- 6. The project has not yet been approved and we are participating in the Mine Review being carried out by the government.
- Also it should be noted our consent to move forward is ONLY for a two year pilot project. During this time we will closely monitor the project and its impacts.
- Finally the mine is for magnesium, an item identified as a critical mineral in Canada and is one of the minerals identified as key to "greening our economy"

FINALLY OIB WILL CONTINUE TO ASSERT ITS RIGHTS AND TITLE WITHIN ITS TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES.



**OIB Community** 

Flu and Covid -19

**Vaccination Clinic** 



# October 26 &27 OIB Community Hall

## 9:30-12:00 and 1:00- 5:00

No appointment necessary

Walk-ins Welcome

Research shows that high school graduation rates and positive school experiences are directly related to good attendance habits that start in junior kindergarten.

SPC would like to recognize the efforts of students and families who had 90% attendance or higher for the month of September.



20 students had 90% or 2 days missed or 17/19 days present.



18 students had 95% or 1 day missed or 18/19 days present.



29 students had 100% attendance or zero days missed or 19/19 days present.



All the names were entered into the draw to win a \$50.00 fruit and snack basket.

Congratulations to Tegan Louie, Sp'iwcn Hall and Rosalyn Tanner for their excellent attendance <u>AND</u> to their families for supporting them in getting to school!

We recognize that some students missed more than 2 days of school due to illnesses that were circulating. October is a new month and a new opportunity to have your name entered into the attendance draw at the end of the month!

#### **SPC News Bulletin**

It's been a busy start to the school year! Students are back into the swing of school life – some of the highlights included:

- Field Trip to nk'mip Vineyard for Kindergarten
- Welcome Back Barbeque
- Fire Drill
- Salmon Camp at OK Falls River
- Anaphylaxis Training for the staff from Interior Health
- De-bussing Drill
- Picture Day
- Visit from Sprott Shaw Research Students and from the Coyote Hockey Players
- X-Country Team training Tuesday/Thursdays at lunch for the Cawston X-Country event AND the Moccasin Mile at Outma
- Awareness March for Truth and Reconciliation to Oliver Parks and Recreation



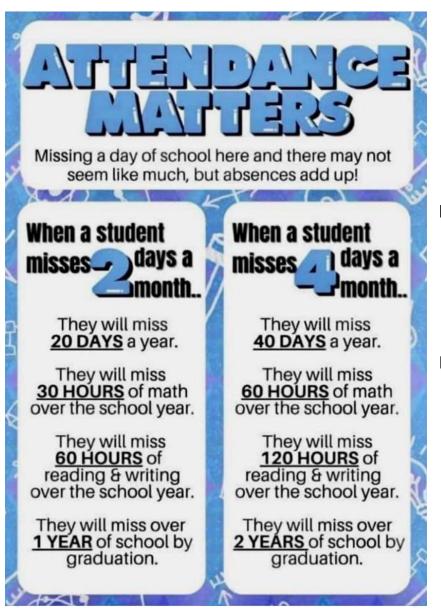
Welcome new and returning staff to SPC. This year we have Ms. Brosseau (kindergarten) and Ms. Dixon (grade 4) who are new teachers to our school. Heather Carlson and Jana Kubiatko have returned after their maternity leaves. The rest the staff faces have remained the same!



October is looking equally busy with holidays, field trips and parent-teacher interviews on top of regular classroom instruction  $\mathfrak{S}$ 

**Spirit North** is back this school year supporting outdoor fitness initiatives. They have secured 14 new bikes from Giant as a donation to our SPC school fleet of bikes plus 20 new helmets – so awesome! Watch out for the bike club on Senpokchin Blvd. when we are up and operational this fall!





#### Attendance Intitiatives:

SPC will have a draw at the beginning of each month to recognize those students who had 90% attendance or higher from the previous month. Their names will be entered into a to win one of 3 prizes that will benefit the whole family – because without parent support, students can not get to school!

have whole-class attendance incentives running in their classrooms.

The more time children miss school, the harder it is for them to re-join classroom learning. They feel like they don't know what is happening because they have missed instructional lessons which causes a series of stressors that contribute to students wanting to avoid learning tasks when they return. The more regularly students attend school – the more comfortable and confident they become in their learning.



# October 2023

Sen Pok Chin School Event Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 School Closed National day for Truth & Reconciliation	3	4	5 Cross Country Meet— Cawston 8:45 –12:00	6	7
8	9 School Closed Thanksgiving Day	10	11 Tea Picking Cultural Field Trip 9:00—12:00	12 Tea Picking Cultural Field Trip 9:00—12:00	13	14
15	16	17	18 Earth Quake Drill	19 P/T Interviews No School for Students	20 <b>Pro D Day</b> No School for Students	21
22	23	24	25 Early Dismissal: 12:00 Teacher Inquiry Day	26	27	28
29	30	31 8:30 Halloween Dance HAPPY HALLOWEE				



**Pre Order/Pay Only**: Circle lunches your child will be purchasing—send back calendar to school with the <u>correct</u> amount of money for the month. Deadline for October is on Tuesday October 10th



## **October 2023 SPC Lunch Calendar**

Sun	Mon (\$2.50/\$3.50)	Tue (\$2.50/\$3.50)	Wed (\$2.50/\$3.50)	Thu (\$2.50/\$3.50)	Fri (\$2.50/\$3.50)	Sat
1 Students \$2.50 per meal or \$40.00 month Staff \$3.50 per meal or \$56.00 per month	2 <b>School Closed</b> National day for Truth & Reconciliation	3 Chicken Fajitas	4 Turkey Dinner	5 Hamburger & Veg- gies	6 Grilled Cheese & Veggies	7
8	9 <b>School Closed</b> Thanksgiving Day	10 Beef Fajitas	11 Mac N Cheese	12 Chicken Bunwich & Veggies	13 Grilled Cheese & Veggies	14
15	16 Beef Barley Soup	17 Chicken Quesadillas	18 Spaghetti	19 P/T Interviews No School for Students	20 <b>Pro D Day</b> No School For Students	21
22	23 Creamy Ham & Potato Soup	24 Beef Quesadillas	25 Early Dismissal: 12:00 Teacher Inquiry Day	26 Ham Bunwich & Veggies	27 Pizza & Veggies	28
29	30 Chicken Noodle	31 Beef Burrito/Taco				



## 2023

**OIB COMMUNITY GYM BOOKING** 

## **GYM BOOKING**

## By Ramona Bent

250 485 8246



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Open gym 5 to 8pm	5 Yoga 5 to 6 pm	6 Open gym 5 to 8pm	7 Basketball 9:30 To 1 pm Open G 1:30 to 6
8	9	10 Fitness 5 to 6 pm	11 Open gym 5 to 8pm	12 Yoga 5 to 6 pm	13 Open gym 5 to 8pm	14 Basketball 9:30 To 1 pm Open G 1:30 to 6
15	16 Archery 3-6 pm	17 Fitness 5 to 6 pm.	18 Open gym 5 to 8pm	19 Yoga 5 to 6 pm	20 Open gym 5 to 8pm	21 Basketball 9:30 To 1 pm Open G 1:30 to 6
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Please contact Ramona Bent 250 485 8246 to book the gym – Anyone using the gym is responsible for cleanup, no food or water in gym except bottled water. Please make sure bathrooms are tidied up before leaving, if using kitchen, it must be kept as it was and turn on kitchen fan above stove. Please take your garbage out to the dumpster after activity.

#### **OIB YOUTH CENTER/GYM OCTOBER SCHEDULE 2023**

Sunday		Closed
Monday	Right to Play	3:00-5:00PM
	Archery (ages 6-12)	3:30-4:30PM
	Archery (ages 13 +)	4:30-5:30PM
Tuesday	Right To Play	3:00-5:00PM
	OIB Fit Nation Challenge	5:00-6:00PM
	(With Alanea Holmstrom)	
Wednesday	Right To Play	3:00-5:00PM
	Youth Center/Gym	5:00-8:00PM
Thursday	Right To Play	3:00-5:00PM
Friday	Right To Play	3:00-5:00PM
	Youth Center/Gym	5:00-8:00PM
Saturday	Youth Center/Gym	1:00-6:00PM
	Youth Basketball (grades 2-4)	9:30-11:00AM
	Youth Basketball (grades 5-7)	11:30-1:00PM

Youth Center is closed during stat-holiday's & community gatherings

#### (Unless otherwise stated)

\*YOUTH CENTRE OPEN TO AGES 10+.....

\*Archery starting October 16<sup>th</sup> / Fit Nation Challenge starting October 10<sup>th</sup>



## NOTICE TO OIB BAND MEMBERS

IF YOU ARE A BAND MEMBER AND HAVE HAD A CHILD SINCE OCTOBER 31 OF LAST YEAR WHETHER THE CHILD IS A BAND MEMBER OR NOT

PLEASE CONTACT ME

COLLEEN BAPTISTE

AT 250-498-9605

SO WE CAN INCLUDE IN THE BABY WELCOMING CEREMONY IN NOV OF THIS YEAR

THANK YOU COLLEEN BAPTISTE

# You're Invited

**OIB's** 

12th Annual





## **Baby Welcoming Ceremony**

November, 16<sup>th</sup> 2023 Osoyoos Indian Band Community Hall 5:00pm –Dinner 5:30pm— Ceremony



Osoyoos Indian Band and the Nk'Mip Resource Centre are very excited about the 12th Annual Baby Welcoming Ceremony. We would like to take the opportunity to congratulate families and welcome new little community members to OIB. The evening will begin with dinner, followed by introductions of the new babies and their

families; a special gift from the Nk'Mip Resource Centre will be presented by Chief and Council to each child.

## **Upcoming New Youth Programming!**

<u>Youth Active in Community (YAIC)</u> Held on the last Wednesday of each month. (Half school days) For youth ages 13-24. Space for up to 20 youth.



October 25<sup>th</sup> Theme: Harvesting Spitzen. From 12-3pm. Youth will learn about Spitzen, harvesting protocols and enjoy lunch on the land together. Pick up at SOSS, drop off at the Bus Garage at the Band Office.



November 29<sup>th</sup> Theme: Cooking wild game. From 12-3pm. Meet at the Hall for an afternoon of cooking and eating. Rides can be arranged if needed.

January 24<sup>th</sup> Theme: Capti'kwl. From 12-3:30pm. Pick up at SOSS. Drop off at the Bus Garage at the Band Office. Fireside story with an Elder, lunch and hot tea by the fire.



Please contact Shannon Peltier: <u>speltier@oib.ca</u> or 250-689-9894 for more information or to sign up.

### TWISTED ARROWS ARCHERY UPDATE for OIB & Community Start date: October 16th



Archery for ages 6-12 years old on Mondays from 3:30-4:30



Archery for ages 13-99+! Mondays from 4:30pm-5:30pm.



This program is drop- in. No sign up required. All levels welcome. No equipment needed. You can borrow ours.

Located at the senpaq'cin gym or the ball diamonds at SPC if the weather permits. Please contact Shannon Peltier @ 250-689-9894 or <u>speltier@oib.ca</u> if you have any questions.