

# Mangilaluk School

## Newsletter



## Kaitvitjvik 2022

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### **ATTENDANCE**

Daily attendance is important to your child's success in school. Students should try to be in school every day. If you know your child is going to miss school, please let us know so we can get work prepared for them in their absence.

Students should arrive at school between 8:45AM and 8:55AM and 12:50 and 12:55PM every day.

As part of our attendance plan, each teacher will be calling home in to introduce themselves and encourage ALL students to be in school.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS**

All High School students need to complete 25 hours of volunteer hours for graduation. If you have a volunteer opportunity that our students could help out with please let us know. We will advertise it and help our students meet this graduation requirement.

### **PARENTS AS PARTNERS**

Parents if you have questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call and talk to your child's teachers or to the administration. We want to make sure that your child is enjoying their time here and that they feel safe in the process. Our school has an open door policy.

### **LOST AND FOUND**

Through the year many items get lost or misplaced. If we find any items we will place them in the lost and found. Please call to let us know if you lost any items. Unclaimed items will be donated to Sister Faye in December and the end of June.

### **TUKTOYAKTUK DEA**

The TDEA will announce when they have upcoming meetings. This meeting will be via teleconference. We invite all parents to join as we work together to provide input and support the students at Mangilaluk School.

### **PARENT HANDBOOK**

The parent handbook contains valuable information about the school year. Copies were sent home the first week of school.

### **PARENT VOLUNTEERS**

We are always looking for help at the school. If you are able to volunteer your time for special events please let us know. We could use help in many areas. (Ex- Reading with students, cultural experts, etc.). Parents are always welcome to come to the school to support in any way they can.

### **INDOOR SHOES**

Students should have a pair of indoor shoes for use in classrooms and a pair of outdoor shoes. All outside shoes should be taken off in the foyer. It is a good idea to write your child's name on the shoes.

### **BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

Students are offered prepackaged breakfast each morning as they arrive in their classrooms. Financial support and donations to keep this program growing is greatly appreciated. The TDEA, with a partnership with TCC (Brighter Futures) will offer nutritious food as students arrive to school.

### **FIRE DRILLS/LOCKDOWN DRILLS**

Staff and students will practice these throughout the year. Students are reminded to wear proper footwear at all times in case we need to evacuate the building.

### **PICTURES AND VIDEOS**

At times, staff may take pictures of students engaged in various activities. If parents DO NOT want their child's photo to be published within the school, local newspaper or school website, they are asked to contact the school.

### **NUT-FREE**

Due to the allergies of some of the students, Mangilaluk School is a nut-free school. Please respect the health needs of others and refrain from bringing nut products for snacks.

### **HEALTHY LIVING INITIATIVE**

This school year our aim is to make sure that students bring water to school each day. Due to ongoing construction at Mangilaluk School, water fountains are discontinued at our school. While we wait for the water fill stations to be installed, we encourage parents to send students to school with a water bottle labelled with your child's name. We would like parents and the community to work with the Mangilaluk School Team to make sure students are not bringing unhealthy snacks to school such as slushies/combos, energy drinks, chips, pop, candy, and so on. If students bring these items to school then they will be asked to discard these items. Thank you for your ongoing support.

### **PARENT TOOLKITS**

Parent Toolkits can be found on the BDEC website. They provide ideas on what parents can do to help their children succeed in school. If you would like a printed copy of this tool kit, please stop by the office.

### **COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

The library in the school is a community library. New resources continue to be added to the Library collection. Please see the attached Library Calendar and for the month of November. Parents are encouraged to provide daily reading time to their children.

### **STUDENT LOCKERS**

Due to renovations and construction, lockers will not be used by our students this school year. Students are encouraged bring their items to class and take all their items when they leave. Students are encouraged to bring a book bag to keep their items in.

### **ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

Due to ongoing construction, the gym will not be accessible for Active After School program, however, we will be doing after school clubs and programs within the school to help keep students engaged. Announcements will be made on our Mangilaluk School Facebook Page to inform the community once these programs start.

### **COMMUNICATION**

We want to keep parents and guardians informed about what is happening at the school. In addition to monthly newsletters, parents can also join the Mangilaluk School Facebook group.

Please let us know how we might help you receive information and announcements about events at the school.

### **INUUVIALUKTUN WORDS OF THE MONTH**

Qanuq sila? How is the weather?

Nakuuvialuktuq: The weather is very good.

### **NEWSLETTER**

If you would like to have the monthly newsletter e-mailed to you each month, please contact the school with your e-mail address and we would kindly send you a copy.

### **VISITOR POLICY**

If you are coming to the school for any reason, please be sure to sign in at the office so that we can help direct you.

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to call in to make an appointment to meet with any school staff in person.

### **ATVS AND MOTOR VEHICLES**

For the safety of our students and staff, this is a friendly reminder that ATVs and any form of motor vehicles are not permitted in the playground at any time.

### **LOOSE DOGS**

Over the past few weeks there have been a number of loose dogs roaming around the school yard. Many of our students are afraid to come to school because of them. Please try to support our school by keeping your dogs tied up.

### **CONCERNS OR ISSUES**

If you have any issues or concerns related to the school, please make sure you give us a call to inform us about it. Safety of students and staff is our main priority and if we know about an issue in advance, we can promptly act on it.

### **CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATIONS**

As you are already aware, Mangilaluk School is undergoing some renovations. These renovations will be taking place all year. We have been working with the construction team to ensure that there is minimum interruption to their children's learning.

As renovations take place within the main area of the school, our classrooms will transition into temporary classrooms until the new classrooms are built.

As there are a number of sites near the school that are fenced off, we want to encourage students and members of the public to stay out of these fenced zones due to safety concerns.

If there are any big changes dealing with the school, we will be sure to let the public know on our Facebook Page.

### **OUTDOOR LEARNING**

November was a beautiful month with lots of great weather. We have been doing a lot of outdoor activities to help students connect with the land and embed the cultural values in their learning. Last month students had an opportunity to pull fish net and do fish exploration. You can see the pictures of this event on the Mangilaluk School Facebook Page.

As we move forward throughout the year, we will be sure to let parents know about these outdoor excursions as they come up. We want parents and guardians to ensure that their child is dressed appropriately for these outdoor events.

## SCHOOL DAILY SCHEDULE

In order to make sure that our school is clean and disinfected each day, our school daily schedule as changed from last year.

### **SCHOOL DAILY SCHEDULE:**

8:45AM – 8:55AM	Students Arrive to School and go to their classroom
8:55 AM	Classes Start
11:55 AM – 12:55AM	LUNCH
12:50 AM – 12:55AM	Students Arrive to School
3:50PM	School Dismissal

## BUS DAILY SCHEDULE

This year are fortunate to continue our bussing service for Mangilaluk School. Please ensure that you give at a 5 minute grace period for the bus driver as they may be a little late at times depending on the weather and traffic. The schedule is as follows:

### **DAILY BUS SCHEDULE:**

8:35AM	Pick Up Reindeer Point Students for School
8:45-8:50AM	Pick Up Students from RCMP and Point to go to school
11:55AM	Pick up Students from Mangilaluk School to go to the <b><u>Point Only</u></b>
12:50AM	Pick Up students from <b><u>Point Only</u></b> to go to the school
3:50PM	Pick up Students from Mangilaluk School to go to the <b><u>Point</u></b> and <b><u>Reindeer Point</u></b>

## EXIT AND ENTRANCE

As we are dealing with construction and renovations at Mangilaluk School, we will be following a directional flow for our building. Staff and students will be using the front doors to enter the building in the morning and at lunchtime. Staff and students will be exiting out specific doors designated for their grade level. Students in JK – Grade 6 will be exiting the school through the main doors while Grade 7 – HS will be exiting the back doors on the playground side for lunch and after school dismissal. The bus will be picking up and dropping off students at the front of the school. Please see the route below:



## CULTURAL INTEGRATION

The staff at Mangilaluk School are working very hard to integrate the Inuvialuit culture within the school system, specifically the language component. We encourage the parents, elders, and students to help the integration of the use of the language on a daily basis. Quyanainni!

### **WELLNESS/MOVEMENT BREAK**

Due to ongoing construction and renovations, our regular gym classes have been discontinued as the gym is not accessible. We have replaced our regular physical education program with a wellness/movement break. Outdoor movement breaks will take place weather permitting. We are asking that parents send their children to school with appropriate clothing for outside each day.

### **A MESSAGE FROM MRS. CARPENTER**

Dear Parents/Guardians

We are almost in the Christmas Season – Qitchikvikmi Quvaisuklusi. Quyanainni for showing interest in your child/grandchild's Inuvialuktun learning. Thank you to the families who are speaking Inuvialuktun in the home. I see a difference in the children who converse with their parents/grandparents in Inuvialuktun. Please continue to encourage your children to speak Inuvialuktun.

Quyanainni

Mrs. Holly Carpenter

### **COUNSELING SERVICES**

If your child needs to speak to someone regarding any social or emotional issues, please contact the school and we will set up a time for them to speak with someone.

### **RECESS**

We are fortunate at Mangilaluk School to offer supervised recess that all children are expected to take part in. We do not have enough supervisors at the school to monitor students staying in for recess due to being unwell. If your child is well enough to attend school, then your child is well enough to be outside for recess. If a student is unwell, they are encouraged to stay home and rest.

### **AWARDS RECOGNITION**

Due to construction and ongoing renovations, we will be recognizing students with honours and perfect attendance awards along with other achievements in each classroom. These classroom awards will take place on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon. At this time, we will recognize the achievements from the month of November. We will post videos and pictures on our Facebook Page so that parents/guardians can see them.

### **AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING**

The staff of Mangilaluk School are always available to provide students with extra help with their studies after school from 4PM to 5PM. Students will need to call or make an appointment with their teachers beforehand.

### **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

The school is very fortunate to have a good working relationship with many community organizations and groups. There will be times when the school will need assistance from different community leaders to come to the school to talk with our youth and provide our students with a safe and caring environment. We appreciate working together in our interagency meetings to inform each other of our activities within our own organizations.

The staff of Mangilaluk School would like to express our gratitude to the many organizations for their continued support. We will be looking for donations and support in sending students to various sports events taking place. If you could help out in any way please let the school know.

### VAPES (E-CIGARETTES)

Over the past year or so, the school has been having issues with students using e-cigarettes (vapes) in the school washroom and on school grounds during the instructional hours. Students getting caught using these devices will warrant a suspension. Please talk with your child(ren) about the harmful effects of using these devices. Thank you for your cooperation in working with the school to help students with healthier choices.

### CAUGHT BEING GOOD INITIATIVE

Mangilaluk School is please to bring back the Caught Being Good Initiative. This initiative is set up to recognized students who go above and beyond to make good choices and good decisions. We will be recognizing our Caught Being Good recipient for November during our Attendance Recognition on December 9<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.

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### HIGH SCHOOL – CTS: FOODS

For three weeks (Nov 28 – Dec 16), we are fortunate to have Zoe Cristiano, CTS Foods itinerant teacher, join us and offer a foods program to our high school students. This program will allow students to obtain CTS credits needed for graduation.

### DENTAL HYGIENIST – ORAL HEALTH

Ellen Blake, dental hygienist, will be visiting our school from December 5<sup>th</sup> – December 9<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to have your child take part in the screening, fluoride varnish, sealants or for Ellen to see your child, please contact the school to give consent.

### MANGILALUK SCHOOL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SING ALONG 2022

The staff and students of Mangilaluk School would like the community to join us at Kitti Hall on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for a community Christmas sing along. This event will take place between 6PM – 8PM. There will be light snack available.

This event is open to all community members. All children under the age of 15 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Student's last day of school will be Friday December 16<sup>th</sup>. They will return to classes on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Enjoy your holidays.

### READING IS IMPORTANT

Over the Christmas Holidays, we encourage you to read to your child(ren) on a daily basis. While reading, ask questions about the items you are reading to build comprehension. Reading over the holiday will allow easy transition back to school in January.



### **MANGILALUK SCHOOL CULTURAL CHRISTMAS NIGHT 2022**

On December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Mangilaluk School will be hosting a night of Cultural Christmas activities from 5:00pm – 7:00pm. Some of the activities will include Drum Dancing, Inukshuk Cookie Decorating, Inuvialuktun Christmas Cards, etc. A light supper of soup will be served and there will be some door prize draws.

This event is open to all community members. All children under the age of 15 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Additional information regarding this event will be sent home with students on Monday December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### **STUDENTS ARRIVING TO SCHOOL**

Our staff are on lunch break until 12:55PM each day. It is extremely important not to send your child(ren) to school until then as there will be no supervisor available in classrooms to supervise them. As the dark and cold season is arriving fast, we want to make sure that students are not waiting outside for a long periods to wait to come into the building. Thank you for working with us to ensure the safety of our students.

### **CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK**

To embrace the spirit of Christmas, our school will be hosting Christmas Spirit Week from Dec 12 – 16. Each day will focus on a Christmas related theme. Each day will be as follows:

Monday: Red and Green Day  
Tuesday: Whoville Hair Day  
Wednesday: Holiday Headwear  
Thursday: PJ Day  
Friday: Christmas Sweater Day

### **MANGILALUK SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2022**

With the school gym no longer available for use due to the school renovations, unfortunately Mangilaluk School will not be holding a school Christmas Concert this year. The school explored options for holding the concert at another site but the logistics did not make this possible.

As an alternate, Mangilaluk School will be holding event of the night of Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### **MDI**

The Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) is a self-report questionnaire completed by children in Grade 4 and Grade 7. It asks them how they think and feel about their experiences both inside and outside of school. Both the Grade 4 questionnaire and the Grade 7 questionnaire include questions related to the five areas of development that are strongly linked to well-being, health and academic achievement.

The information from this assessment is collected anonymously. Parents can opt to exclude their student from the assessment. If you do not want your child to take part in this assessment, please notify the office before December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

### **HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON**

The staff of Mangilaluk School would like to wish the students, parents/guardians, elders, and community members a safe and joyous Christmas. Please be safe, take time for yourself, and spend well needed time with family and friends. We hope to see you all in the New Year!



**KINDNESS, RESPECT, & COURTESY**

It is important that in our families, school, friendships and community that we acknowledge one another with kindness, respect and courtesy.

These are reflected to others by how we act, the words we say to each other and our considerate and kind responses to those who are not from our community.

In our school we acknowledge and support our students to show kindness, respect and courtesy to all - inside and outside of our school. We know that families support and teach their children with these values in the home.

When children hear this messaging from their teachers and parents it supports them in learning the importance of these attributes and makes them strong members of their Community.

Let us all support being KIND, RESPECTFUL & COURTEOUS to each other.

**MANGILALUK SCHOOL – KITTI HALL ACTIVITIES**

On December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 some of the staff at Mangilaluk School will be volunteering their time to supervise activities at Kitti Hall. The activities will take place from 2PM – 4PM and 6PM – 9PM. More information will be posted about these event in the next few weeks.

# Christmas Word Scramble

Can you unscramble these words to find the hidden word?

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## December 2022 Newsletter

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CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK	Red/Green Day	Whoville Hair Day	Christmas Hat Day	PJ Day	Christmas Sweater Day	Christmas Break Begins for Students
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Christmas Break Begins for Students	No School for Students Teachers are learning	No School for Students Teachers are learning	MS Cultural Christmas Night 5PM – 7PM	No School	No School	No School
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	Boxing Day	No School	No School	Mangilaluk School Christmas Activities Kitti Hall (2PM-4PM and 6PM – 9PM)	No School	