

# Mangilaluk School

## Newsletter



## Aklikarniarvik 2023

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### **NEW STAFF MEMBERS**

We would like to welcome the following staff members to the Mangilaluk School Community:

Rochelle Romasanta – Grade 1  
Madison Higson – Grade 3  
Mary Anne Alley – Program Support Teacher

### **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 8:35AM and 8:45AM and 12:55PM and 1:05PM 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.

### **PARENT HANDBOOK**

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

### **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 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.)

### **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. ?

### **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.

### **COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

Due to the school renovations the library is operating remotely. To view the online catalogue of available materials please visit:

<https://nwte.sirsidynix.net/uhybin/cgisirsi/?p=s:rpme4PvFM3/PUB-HQ/X/60/1180/x>

To request or return library materials please call the Library Assistant, Jordan Walker at 867-620-2508 or the Librarian, Audrey Walker at 867-678-5481.

### **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.

### **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 at the start of the school year. Active After School Programs will start up once the gym is open. 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.

### **FASD AWARENESS DAY**

Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 is FASD Awareness Day. This day is devoted to raising awareness of fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD). Please wear red shoes or anything red on Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to help support this awareness.

### **INUVIALUKTUN WORDS OF THE MONTH**

Each month we will be adding Inuvialuktun words to our monthly newsletters. This month we will focus on numbers:

**One** = atausiq

**Two** = malruq

**Three** = pingasut

**Four** = sitamut

**Five** = tallimat

**Six** = arvinilik

**Seven** = tallimut malrungnik

**Eight** = tallimut pingasunik

**Nine** = qulingiluat

**Ten** = qulit

### **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.

### **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.

## 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:**

8:35AM – 8:45 AM	Students Arrive to School and go to their classroom
8:45 AM	Classes Start
11:55 AM – 1:00 PM	LUNCH
12:55 AM – 1:00 PM	Students Arrive to School
1:05 PM	Classes Start
3:35 PM	School Dismissal

## BUS DAILY SCHEDULE

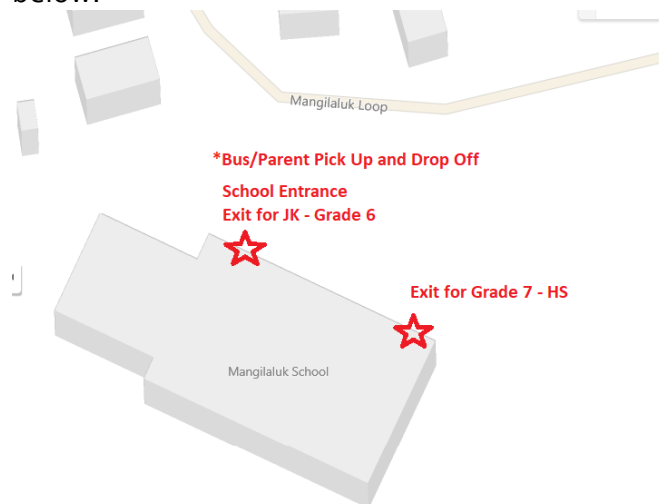
This year are fortunate to continue our bussing service for Mangilaluk School. Please ensure that you give at a 5 minute grace period for the bus driver as they may be a little late at times depending on the weather and traffic. The schedule is as follows:

### **DAILY BUS SCHEDULE:**

8:25 AM	Pick Up Reindeer Point Students for School
8:35-8:40 AM	Pick Up Students from RCMP and Point to go to school
11:55 AM	Pick up Students from Mangilaluk School to go to the <b><u>Point Only</u></b>
12:55 PM	Pick Up students from <b><u>Point Only</u></b> to go to the school
3:35 PM	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:



## MEET THE STAFF FAMILY NIGHT

We will be hosting a family night on Wednesday September 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30PM to 7:00PM. More information regarding this event will be posted on the Mangilaluk School Facebook page and letters will be sent home. We ask that parents attend with their children.

### **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.

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES**

Due to construction and renovations, our regular gym classes will be on hold until the gym is officially open. 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. We will let parents know when the gym is ready for use.

### **OUTDOOR LEARNING**

September is a beautiful month for good weather. We will be doing a lot of outdoor activities for the first few months of school to help students connect with the land and embed the cultural values in their learning. Some activities will include berry picking and medicine walk.

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.

### **STAFF ARE LEARNING**

Staff members will have meetings in the afternoons of the following dates:

Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Students will only attend school in the morning.

### **TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

During the month of September our students will be doing various activities to support on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation which is on Saturday, September 30.

### **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!

### **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.

### **COUNSELING SERVICES**

Mangilaluk School is pleased to announce that we have a full time child youth counsellor working at our school. Her name is Renee Doucet. If you want your child to speak with Renee regarding your child's social or emotional issues, please contact the school and we can set up a time for your child to see Renee.

### **STAFF LIST**

On one of the last pages of this newsletter you will find a staff list for our school. As we have a lot of new staff to our team, please join with me in welcoming them to the community.

### **ELECTRONICS POLICY**

Over the past two years, electronics have become a major issue at Mangilaluk School. It has come to the point where it has become a major distraction for our students to focus and learn the essential outcomes to be successful in their classes.

To ensure that student's get the most of their instructional time we be continuing to promote our electronics policy where students will not be allowed to use or have electronics present during their instructional time. If students choose to bring their electronics to class they will be asked to put them away. Failure to follow this rule can result in consequences. We are asking parents/guardians to help support this decision so that students can get the most of their instructional time and to keep them focused on classroom work. Thank you for your support.

### **PARENTING CLASSES**

Starting Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 4PM to 6PM, Alisa Nogasak (Wellness Worker), and Renee Doucet (CYCC) will be hosting parenting classes. This will take place at the school. They will be hosting these sessions every Thursday in the month of September.

### **SCHOOL TRAFFIC NOTICE**

For the safety of our students, please make sure you follow the rules of the road when picking up your children. Traffic has become a huge concern at lunch time and after school each day with vehicles picking up students and leaving all over the place. Please help us by working together to make sure our children are protected and safe as they leave the building at high traffic times.

Our high school students are supervising in the front parking area at lunchtime and after school to ensure that students are crossing the road safely. These student are working towards earning high school credits towards graduation.

In addition, always remember to never pass the bus when it is driving or parked.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

### **SUICIDE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS**

Sunday, September 10th is Suicide Awareness Day. The mental health team will be hosting a suicide prevention and awareness walk. This walk will take place at the point on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> starting at 6PM. There will be counsellors from the community wellness and support services available for support. Refreshments will be provided.

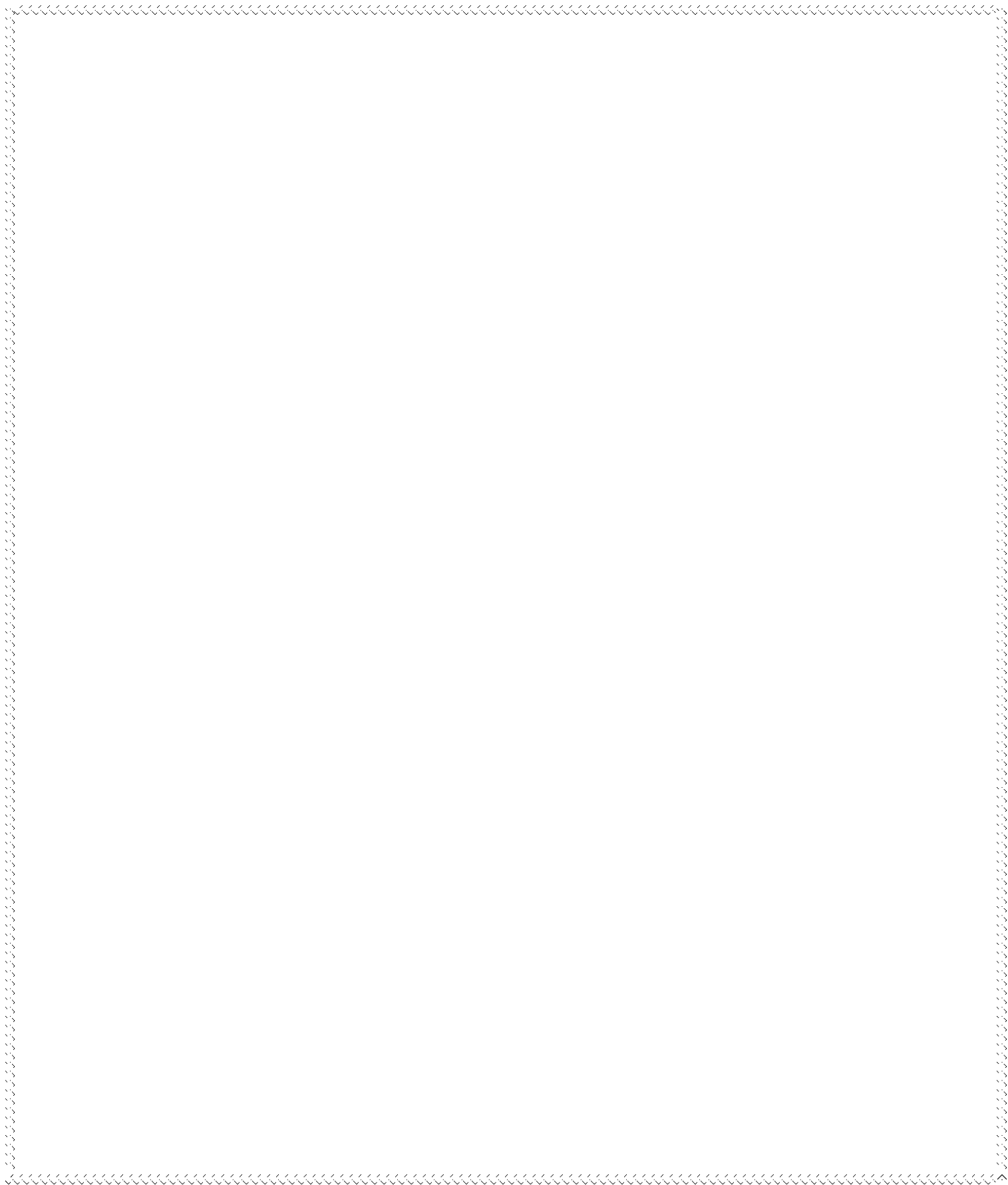
As a way to bring awareness to this event, please wear anything yellow, if you can.

### **SUDOKU**

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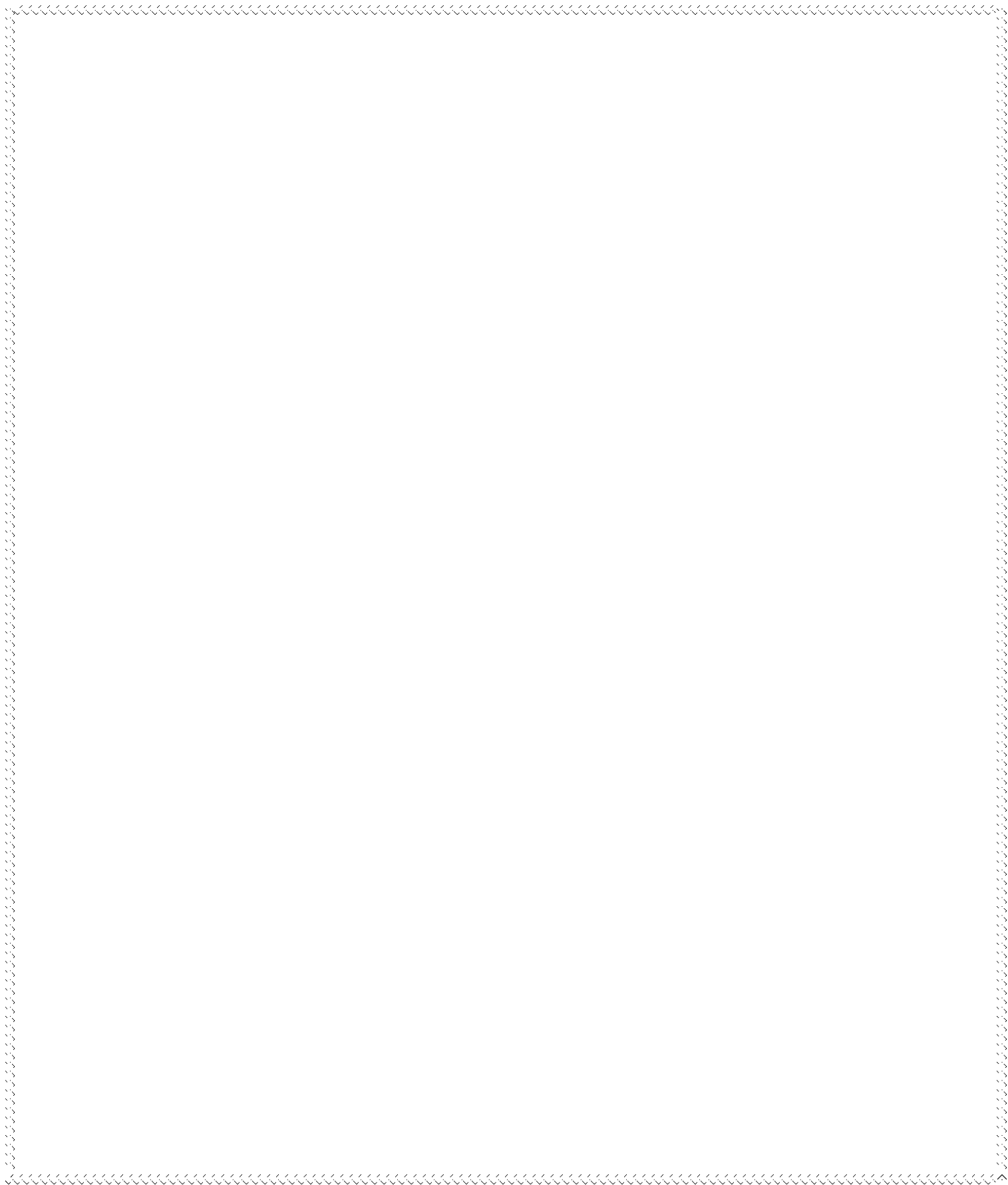
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## Mangilaluk School Staff List 2023-2024

Principal	→	Ephraim Warren
Junior Kindergarten	→	Meghan Wilson
Senior Kindergarten	→	Tara Scaglione
Grade 1	→	Rochelle Romasanta
Grade 2	→	Nubia Shaw
Grade 3	→	Madison Higson
Grade 4	→	Dominique Limos
Grade 5	→	Nicole Di Fonte
Grade 6	→	TBD
Grade 7	→	Blair Duffield
8/9 & High School	→	Hal Dyck
8/9 & High School	→	Tori Constant
High School	→	Edgar Martinez
High School / Vice-Principal	→	Michele Tomasino
High School	→	Maxwell Ferguson
High School	→	Lawrence Loiseau
Inuvialuktun / On-The-Land Coordinator	→	Candice Cockney
Inuvialuktun	→	Holly Carpenter
Program Support	→	Susan Grant-Suttie
Physical Education	→	TBD
Numeracy Coach	→	Paige Driscoll
Support Assistant	→	Gloria Elias
Support Assistant	→	Jenny Jacobson
Support Assistant	→	Charmaine Teddy
Support Assistant	→	Caitlin Walker
Support Assistant	→	Sophie Stefure
Support Assistant	→	Annie Loreen
Support Assistant	→	Erin Felix
Support Assistant	→	Charlotte Irish
Support Assistant	→	Dolly Loreen
Support Assistant	→	Hanna Gordon
Support Assistant	→	Tasha Kasook
Support Assistant	→	Natalie Noksana
Support Assistant	→	Erika Beber
Secretary	→	Audrey Walker
NDL	→	Clorese Nogasak
Custodian	→	Mervin Chicksi
Custodian	→	Diane Nasogaluak
CYCC	→	Renee Doucet
Family Support Worker	→	Meeka Steen



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	Labour Day No School				FASD Awareness Day – Wear Red  No School for students – Afternoon	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Suicide Awareness Day					No School for students – Afternoon	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
					No School for students – Afternoon	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
			Meet the Staff Family Night (5:30PM – 7:00PM)		No School for students – Afternoon	

