

Mangilaluk School

Newsletter



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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 8:35AM 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. We invite all parents to join as we work together to provide input and support the students at Mangilaluk School.

The next regular board meeting for the TDEA is November 20th, 2023 at 5:15PM.

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 going 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/6o/118o/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.

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.

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.

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.

INUVALUKTUN WORDS OF THE MONTH

Below are 7 basic phrases that you can use at home to support the language.

The 7 phrases include:
How are you? Qanuqitpit?
I'm fine. Nakuuyunga
Good Morning. Ublaaq asi
Thank you. Quyanainni
See you later. Anaaqanlu
Good Afternoon Ubluq asi
What are you doing? Sumavit?

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.

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.

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.

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!

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.

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.

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.

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

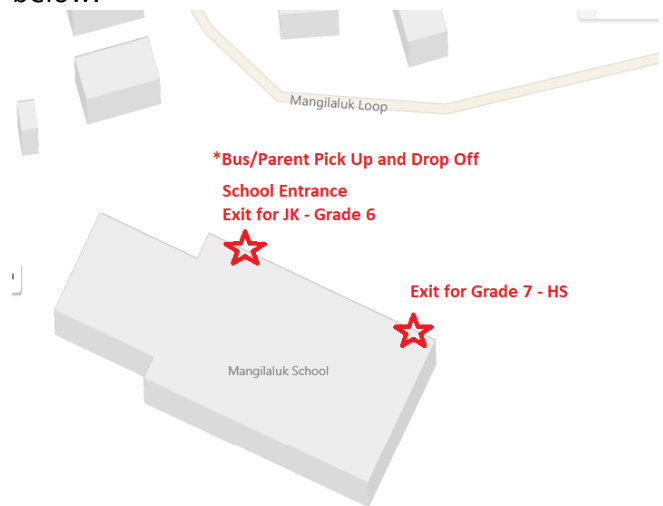
This year are fortunate to continue our bussing service for Mangilaluk School. Please ensure that you give at a 5 minute grace period for the bus driver as they may be a little late at times depending on the weather and traffic. The schedule is as follows:

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 <u>Point Only</u>
12:55 PM	Pick Up students from <u>Point Only</u> to go to the school
3:35 PM	Pick up Students from Mangilaluk School to go to the <u>Point</u> and <u>Reindeer Point</u>

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:



HEIRLOOM PHOTOS

Mangilaluk School is pleased to announce that Heirloom Photos will be coming to our school to take photos from November 17th – November 21st. A schedule of times and location in the school will be sent out prior to Heirloom Photos arriving. If you have any further questions please contact the school.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

November 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 sliding, nature walks, and ice safety.

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.

REMBRANCE DAY

There will be no school for staff or students on Monday, November 13th to celebrate Thanksgiving.

STAFF ARE LEARNING

There will be no school for students on November 10th and November 24th as staff will be having meetings.

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.

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.

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 Monday, November 6th in the afternoon. At this time, we will recognize the achievements from the month of October. We will post videos and pictures on our Facebook Page so that parents/guardians can see them.

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 students 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.

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.

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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.

MESSAGE FROM MS. CARPENTER

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Ukiaksaq tikiyuak - Fall is here. The students continue to show excitement to be back in school. We continue to learn new greeting words: Qaigipsii quviasuktunga - we are happy you are here.

Here's to an exciting Fall, thank you to Family. Keep safe and be kind to each other.

Kind regards,

Ms. Holly Carpenter

Inuvialuktun Teacher

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 keep everyone up today in our organizations.

LIVE IT EARTH

On Thursday, November 2 at 1:30PM, MS will be taking part in celebrating the launch of the Live It Earth Program. This event will take place at Kitti Hall. Snacks will be available. Please see the attached poster in this newsletter.

TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY (GRADE 9)

On Wednesday, November 1 students in Grade 9 will have an opportunity to do virtual sessions for Take Our Kids to Work Day.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

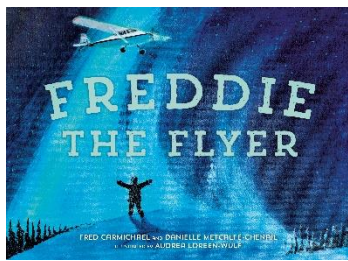
Parent-teacher interviews will be taking place on Wednesday, November 22nd from 3:00PM to 6:00PM. Students will be dismissed at 2:30PM on this day so that teachers can prepare for parents to come into the classroom. We encourage all parents/guardians to come speak with the teachers about their children's education.

ATTENDANCE – TUK DEA

The staff and TDEA recognize that attendance is a major concern. On November 7th, the TDEA and MS will be working together to come up with a plan to target the attendance issue. We will be bringing this information forward to the community once we establish a plan.

FREDDIE THE FLYER

On November the 9th, we are fortunate to have Fred Carmichael and Danielle Mercalfe-Chanail at our school to do story time with the JK – Grade 4 students. Fred and Danielle will be presenting their new book *Freddy the Flyer*.



PRIME MINISTER'S AWARD

The staff and students of Mangilaluk School would like Paige Driscoll for receiving the 2023 Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence. You can read Paige's bio in the link below:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/science/researchfunding/researchawards/prime-ministers-awards.html>

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

The staff at MS have volunteered their time to offer clubs to students to keep them engaged and entertained. These clubs are open to students of all ages.

Tuesdays: Student Council meets at 3:45 pm in Michele's classroom

Wednesdays: The Book Club meets at 3:45 pm in Tori's classroom

Thursdays: The Board Games Club meets at 3:45 pm in Max's classroom

Fridays: The GSA meets at lunch in Michele's classroom and the Anime Club meets at 3:45 pm in Michele's classroom

There are more exciting clubs to come. We will keep you posted.

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 October during our Attendance Recognition on Nov 6th in the afternoon.

NOVEMBER ATTENDANCE INITIATIVE

For the month of November, we will be holding a gift card and food basket attendance initiative!

Please see the criteria below:

- Students with 100% attendance, their name goes in for gift certificate draw (100\$ value) (4 draws)
- Students with 85% - 99% attendance, their name goes in for gift certificate draw (50\$ value) (8 draws)
- All parents whose children are entered into the draws will be entered into a draw for \$100 gift card. There are 4 draws in total.

*****Absent Excused included** Parents must call into the school to excuse their child.***

SWIM TRIP ATTENDANCE INITIATIVE:

We will be holding 4 swim trips throughout the year!

Students who achieve 2 months of 95 -100% attendance will be awarded with a SWIM TRIP to Inuvik!

Oct/Nov = swim trip in Dec

Dec/Jan = swim trip in Feb

Feb/March = swim trip in April

April/May = swim trip in June

*****Absent Excused included** Parents must call into the school to excuse their child.***



BEAUFORT SEA

Why are beluga a vital part of Inuvialuit health and culture? **Arctic**

Join us for our official launch of this program! It features some of the youth, elders and other community members of Tuk. The program explores the wonders of the Beaufort ecosystem, how beluga harvesting is essential for the Inuvialuit health and culture and how communities, governments and scientists work together to monitor them.

All of the community are welcome!
Snacks and drinks will be served.
We hope to see you all there!



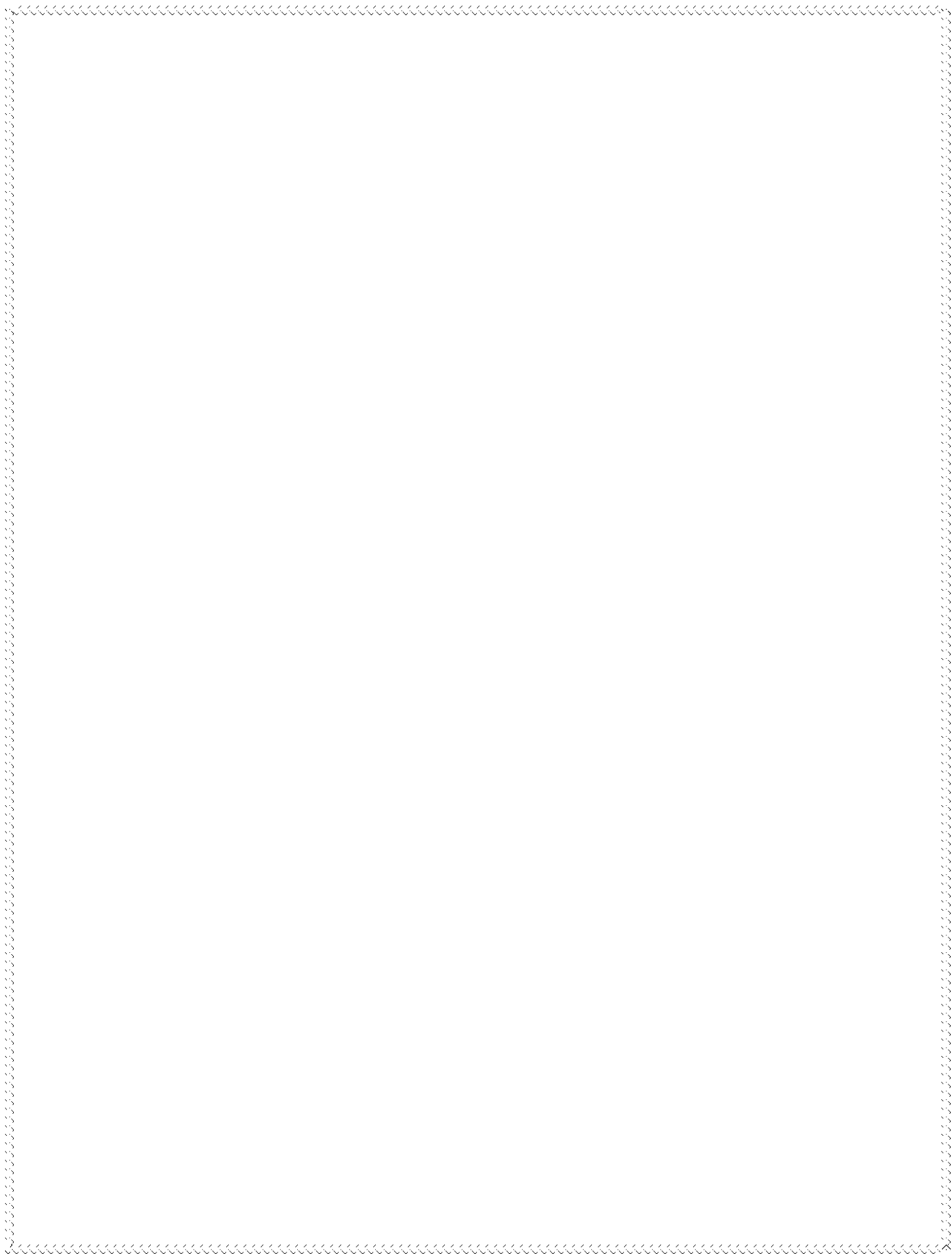
Thursday,
November 2nd
1:30 to 3:30
at Kitti
Hall



LIVE IT.



If any elders need a ride, please call Mangilaluk School 977-2255



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			Take Our Kid to Work Day Grade 9s	Live it Earth Launch 1:30PM – 3:30PM Kitti Hall		
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	Classroom Awards Recognition PM			Freddie the Flyer JK – Gr 3 (2PM) Gr 4 – 6 (2:50PM)	No School for Students Teachers are working	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Remembrance Day No School				Heirloom Photos	Heirloom Photos
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Heirloom Photos	TDEA Meeting 5:15PM (Michele's Room) Heirloom Photos	Heirloom Photos	Parent Teacher Interviews 3:00PM – 6:00PM		No School for Students Teachers are working	
26	27	28	29	30		

