Mangilaluk Illisakvik <u>Makpiraat</u>



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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.

We will make an announcement when we know the date and time for the next regular board meeting for the TDEA.

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/?ps=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.

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

Since January, we are proud to announce the gym is currently opened for regular gym classes. With the gym opened and ready for use, we will be starting up the active after school program on February 6. Students and parents will need to make arrangements after school for pick up. In the near future we will be working with recreation and other organizations to open the gym up for community events.

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.

INUVIALUKTUN WORDS OF THE MONTH

School - Illisakvik

Principal – Atanrat Ilisartuat

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!

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.

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

The staff of Mangilaluk School are pleased to announce that the gym is currently opened for regular gym classes. As the gym is connected to the school, we have put numerous protocols in place for student and staff safety.

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 January during our Attendance Recognition on February 6th in the afternoon.

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
	Point Only
12:55 PM	Pick Up students from Point
	Only to go to the school
3:35 PM	Pick up Students from
	Mangilaluk School to go to the

Point and Reindeer Point

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:



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.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

The month of February is cold, however, we will continue to take advantage of opportunities to get students outside for learning. Some activities what will be occurring in the upcoming months include sliding, nature walks, ice safety, igloo building, and dog mushing.

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.

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 Monday, February 6th in the afternoon. At this time, we will recognize the achievements from the month of January. 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 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.

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.

ATTENDANCE - TUK DEA

The staff and TDEA recognize that attendance is a major concern. 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 and have the plan finalized. We appreciate parents working with the school to ensure their children are here each day.

MESSAGE FROM MRS. CARPENTER

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Here's wishing you all had a great start to the New Year. The sun is returning ... on its own time. The students are excited and happy to be back in school. We continue to learn new greeting words: Sumungniaqpit and Qaigipsii quviasuktunga as well as other Inuvialuktun words. Here's to an exciting February and eager students to learn Inuvialuktun, thank you to Family. Keep safe and be kind to each other.

Kind regards,

Mrs. Holly Carpenter

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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.

TEACHERS ARE LEARNING

There will be no school for students on the following dates as staff will be learning:

Monday, February 5th

Friday, February 16th

Friday, February 26th

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.

VAPES (E-CIGARETTES)

Over the past year or so, the school has been having issues with students using ecigarettes (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.

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. This assessment will be taking place in February.

The information from this assessment is collected anonymously. Parents can opt to exclude their student from the assessment. If you do not want you child to take part in this assessment, please notify the office as soon as possible.

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Each year schools across the Northwest Territories hosts the TYFMAD campaign for students to recognize teachers that have made a difference in their lives. At the end of the campaign one nomination gets picked so that the teacher and student who chose them gets a prize. This year the teacher that was chosen was _____ who was nominated by _____.

HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTER CHANGE

Students in Grades 10-12 will start Semester 2 on February 6th. We will have registration on 2nd for all High School Students. A schedule of sign up times will be posted closer to this date.

GRAD MEETING

There will be a grad meeting for potential 2023 grads on February 19th at 4PM in Michele Tomasino's room.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent-teacher interviews will be taking place on Thursday, February 15th from 4PM to 6:00PM. We encourage all parents/guardians to come speak with the teachers about their children's education.

INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES MONTH

February month is Indigenous Languages
Month. As a way to recognize the
Indigenous Language, our school will be
focus will speaking the language.
Mangilaluk School will be taking part in
activities and lessons that focus on the "say
it in our language" theme.

DONATIONS

On a regular basis we get various donations to help support fundraising efforts for various things such as school excursions. We want to thank each and every one of you for your contribution and ongoing support. If you have new items that you would like to donate to the school for upcoming loonietoonie auctions, please drop them off at the school.

TRADITIONAL GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year we have 8 (eight) students who will be going to the traditional games to represent Mangilaluk School. These students are Calle Gruben, Maria Kikoak, Maley Elias, Makenna Pokiak, Tent Wolki, Kyler Pokiak, Malkin Kudlak, and Nicholas Kuptana. Thanks to Blair Duffield and Jeremy Scudder for being chaperones for these students to attend this event.

WISDOMFEST WINNERS

On January 31st we held our Annual WisdomFest at Mangilaluk School. This year we had 55 projects from students, which were set up in the gym.

The winners of this year's WisdomFest included the following included the following:

Grade 4:

1st Place Winner: Meisha Anderson 2nd Place Winner: Danica Felix-Noksana

3rd Place Winner: Tucker Pokiak

Grade 5:

1st Place Winner: Ira Whynot

2nd **Place Winner:** Travis Cockney, Drew Teddy Adam, Peyton Emaghok, and Ares Jacobson **3**rd **Place Winner:** Joseph Avik-Jacobson

Grade 6:

1st Place Winner: Alaina Noksana 2nd Place Winner: Lorenzo Scaglione

3rd Place Winner: Trent Wolki

Grade 7:

1st Place Winner: Calle Gruben 2nd Place Winner: Seth Kimiksana 3rd Place Winner: Maria Kikoak

Grade 8:

1st Place Winner: Eden Whynot

2nd Place Winner: Hunter Emaghok and Grant

Ovayuak

3rd Place Winner: Vance Gruben

Grade 9:

1st Place Winner: Dalton Elias and Waylon Elias 2nd Place Winner: Leon Gruben Mangelana

3rd Place Winner: Zion Adams

High School:

1st Place Winner: Ira Whynot 2nd Place Winner: Natalie Avik

February 2024 Newsletter

Sunday	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
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					HS Registration Begins	
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	Teacher PD Day No School for Students	Semester 2 Starts Awards Recognition				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
			Happy Valentine's Day!	Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00 – 6:00pm	Teacher PD Day No School for Students	
16	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Grad Meeting – 4PM					
25	26	27	28	29		
	Teacher PD Day No School for Students					

February Active After School Schedule (February 5th - 10th)

Time	Monday February 5	Tuesday February 6	Wednesday February 7	Thursday February 8	Friday February 9	Saturday February 10
3:45 - 4:20		JK/SK Gr 1/Gr 2	Grade 7	Grade 5 &6		
4:25 — 5:00	No School for Students	Grade 5	Chaff Eitana	Grade 8-12	No Active After School	
5:00 - 6:00		Basketball Practice Grade 7 – HS	Staff Fitness 4:30 – 5:15	Basketball Practice Grade 6 and under	Program	No Weekend Programs

February Active After School Schedule (February 12th – 16th)

Time	Monday February 12	Tuesday February 13	Wednesday February 14	Thursday February 15	Friday February 16	Saturday February 17
3:45 - 4:20	JK/SK Gr 1/Gr 2	Grade 3 & 4	Grade 7	Grade 5 – HS (Girls Only)		
4:25 - 5:00	Grade 5 & 6	Grade 8	Ctoff Fitness	Grade 9-12	No Active After School	
5:00 - 6:00	Basketball Practice Grade 6 and under	Basketball Practice Grade 7 – HS	Staff Fitness 4:30 – 5:15	Basketball Practice Grade 7 – 12	Program	No Weekend Programs

