## Coming up:

Wednesday, February 26—Pink Shirt Day

Tuesday, March 4—Choir to attend Victoria Sings event

Wednesday, March 5—Grade 5 camping trip Parent Information Night at 5:30 in the library

Sunday, March 9—clocks move an hour ahead for daylight savings

Thursday, March 13—Learning updates on Parent Connect

Friday, March 14—Last Day before Spring Break

Monday, March 31—First Day back after Spring Break

## Métis Week of Learning – February 24–28

We are excited to be learning about Métis culture through a variety of engaging activities this week as a school:

- Each French division has invited one or two English divisions to join a Métis activity, meaning every class will have the opportunity to participate in a special activity.
- Students will also enjoy a Métis story in their classroom.
- Voyageur-themed games and activities will take place during PE blocks.
- Music classes will feature spoons, drumming, and French traditional songs.
- A Métis book display and storytelling will be offered during library time.
- A Métis Elder will host learning sessions for intermediate classes on Friday.
- Students will also experience fiddling performances.

Additionally, resources to support Métis culture and history in both French and English have been shared with all classrooms to extend this learning. Thank you to our staff and our district Indigenous Education Department for organizing this learning opportunity.

## Feedback for our Vice Principal

As part of professional growth our Vice Principal, Jeanne Humphries, is taking part in a performance appraisal this year. This is a process that help us reflect on our practice and continue to grow in our role. Part of the appraisal involves gathering feedback from our school community. We invite families to take a few moments to complete this anonymous <u>survey</u>. The survey should take approximately 15 to 30 minutes, It will remain open until March 4, 2025.

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts!

## We care for each other—our shared language as a learning community

This month, our focus shifts to *We Care for Each Other*. We're exploring the many ways we can show kindness and support to those around us. One of the first steps is getting to know each other better. To kick off this theme, our staff has shared pictures of themselves from their elementary school days, along with a fun fact. Students have enjoyed learning more about our staff when they were children. Can you recognize any of these faces on the board outside of our office?

As we reflect on how we care for each other, students are learning about the importance of listening, sharing, and showing empathy. At home, you can encourage conversations about the small acts of kindness that make a big difference, and how we can support one another through challenges.

We look forward to celebrating this learning in a short assembly after we return from spring break, where students will share their reflections on the ways we can care for each other.

