

EVBS MONTHLY

ELIZA VAN BIBBER SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



CULTURE CAMP

Turn to page 7 for more pictures of Fall Culture Camp at Minto



A NEW SCHOOL YEAR - A FRESH START

Hello and welcome to the 2017/2018 school year. This year has started off with lots of familiar and lots of new faces. I want to welcome back returning students and their families and welcome new students and staff to Eliza Van Bibber School. Take a look through our new monthly newsletter to see what we have been up to. We have lots to share with you.



THE NEWLY CREATED SHOP

There is a familiar but new workspace at Eliza Van Bibber School. We have brought back the shop class with a new Maker Space at EVBS. Here students will have the opportunity to build, create, design and hone their applied skills and technology skills. Turn to page 6 to see what the high school students have been up to in this new space.



WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

Our kindergarten and Learning Together group have been hard at work exploring the world around them. In and out of the classroom, EVBS students are doing sensory play, numeracy and literacy activities. Along with Ms. Mary, these students are using the document reader and projector to augment participation and improve their computer skills. Come stop by to see how our kindergarten and Learning Together group are engaging their minds and bodies.



FUN IN THE GRADE 1/2 CLASSROOM

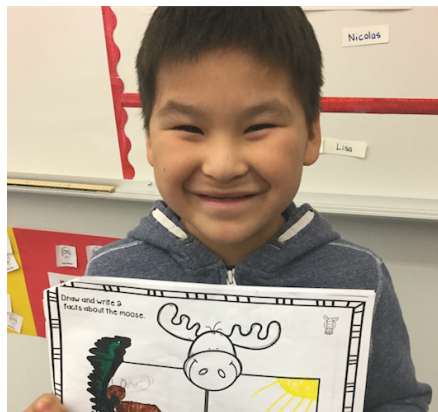
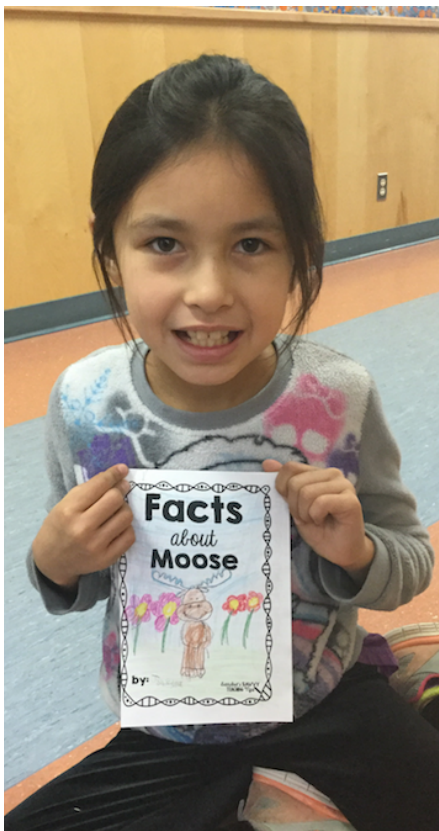
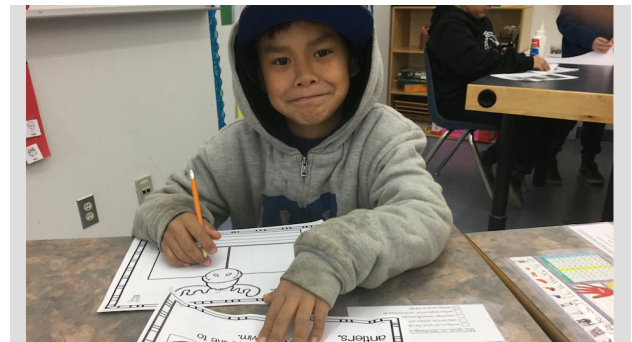
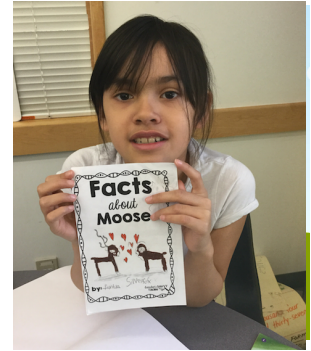
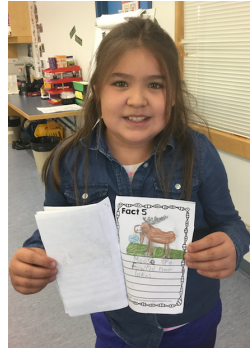
It has been a great start to the school year for our Grade 1/2 class. In addition to learning in the classroom we have had great fun berry picking and at Culture Camp.

We are sad to say goodbye to Mrs. McGinty and wish her all the best with her new position at SFN, Health and Social Services.

MOOSE DENYAK CHO

By Lynette Lo

October is Moose Month in the Grade 2/3/4 class. Students have been learning about moose through reading, writing and creating beautiful works of art. They learned about a moose's habitat, physical features, diet and life cycle, while being able to share their background knowledge through personal experiences. This theme has been intertwined with other subjects such as Social Studies and Science. Please feel free to visit the school to see some of the amazing artwork that is displayed in the halls.



THE GRADE 5/6/7 CLASS

By Kevin Dyck

Hello everyone from the grade 5/6/7 room! My name is Kevin Dyck and I am the new classroom teacher. I can't believe it has already been a month, the time has flown by. The school and community has made me feel very welcomed. For those who have not met me yet, I am from Winnipeg, MB, but have lived in many places in Canada. From Toronto to Edmonton, and now here in The Yukon. I love to be out in nature hiking, exploring, camping and playing any sport that comes my way.

October was a busy month for us. It started with our Culture Camp at the beginning of the month, which were my first two days at EVBS! It was great to get out and meet not only the children, but also members of the community. The students had a great time. We have also been working hard getting the classroom into shape and settling into a new routine. We also started our salmon tank in the classroom thanks to Yukon conservation. The students got an opportunity to help fertilize the eggs and place them in the tank. We are now monitoring their progress over their long journey before we release them into the Yukon River. We also got a chance to work with Don Trudeau building bait boxes and preparing the bait and traps at his place by the river. We will be going out on the trap lines later in November to use the traps and find out what we can catch. It has been a great learning experience so far for the students and myself as this is something that I have not done before!

In the month of November, we are going to continue on strengthening our reading skills and math skills and starting to work on other skills in science and art!

Remember that our classroom is always open, so if you have any questions or just want to visit, please come in and we'll chat!

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HIGH SCHOOL - NOW GRADES 8-12

There have been a lot of changes in the high school this year. Three new teachers to Eliza Van Bibber school are Mr. Casher , Mr. James and Ms. Segriff. The class splits have also changed to create a grade 8/9 class and a grade 10/11/12 class.

With a push to develop our academic skills and applied skills, students are very busy with a large variety of challenges urging them to develop

their skills to be prepared to solve the problems of the future.

So far we have had a group of students take part in the Rural Experiential Model where they learned how to weld, style hair, about ancestral technology, aviation, drama and dance, and team work in a large group. We have been fortunate to have Eugene Alfred come to the school and teach carving with the Art and Northern Tutchone classes.

This has been a great collaboration for our school.

Don Trudeau has come to work in our Maker Space for developing shop skills through building trapping boxes. These boxes will be used by the students to harvest animals with EVBS's trapping program this winter. This is another great chance for our students to learn and be out on the land.

Come by to see what we are working on and what we have made. We would very much like to share our learning with you.

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VISIBLE**

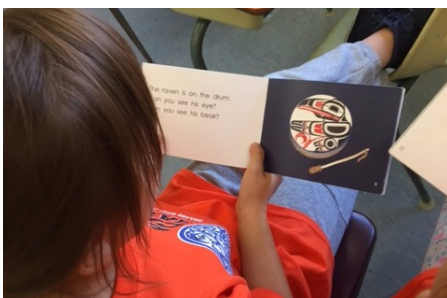


NORTHERN TUTCHONE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE



Once again our EVBS students have had a fall filled with opportunities for participating in cultural activities and learning their Northern Tutchone language and culture. This is because of the hard work of Selkirk First Nation, elders and community members who have shared their talents and teachings with EVBS. Continuing the annual berry picking trip and culture camp at Minto are favourites of EVBS students.

**Mussi cho to elders,
community members and
everyone at SFN for their
partnership and support with
this cultural programming.**



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

I want to say what an honour it is to be the principal of Eliza Van Bibber School. I have enjoyed living in Pelly Crossing with my family for the last 3 years and I am very excited for this new school year.

There have been some big changes made with adjusting the split grades, lots of new faces and creating the shop class/ Maker Space. I am very excited to work with the students, parents, staff, SFN and community to make this a year of great opportunity, growth, learning, and collaboration. I truly believe that through partnerships we will provide the students of EVBS the knowledge, communication, problem solving skills, and experience needed to meet the challenges and changes they will experience.

I am always happy to talk about how we can work towards enhancing and improving our programming at EVBS. Please come by the school and see the work that our students and teachers are doing.

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Joshua Kortan, Principal EVBS

