



## JAWS Bits N' Bites

September 17 - 21, 2018.



Earlier in September, JAWS had the chance to participate in the NLPS Pow Wow. In keeping with growing our understanding of truth, reconciliation, and walking together, JAWS will recognize Orange Shirt Day on Friday Sept 28. This Friday encourage your student to wear anything orange.

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of Phyllis' story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

The date was chosen because it is the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to residential schools, and because it is an opportunity to set the stage for anti-racism and anti-bullying action for the coming school year. It also gives teachers time to plan events that will include children, as we want to ensure that we are passing the story and learning on to the next generations.

Orange Shirt Day is also an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.



### Terry Fox

Our school's date for the Terry Fox Run will be Sept 27 — this Thursday. We are looking to build off of last year's success where we had almost the entire school participate in the run; please encourage your child to participate and collect donations for cancer research. We will do the run in **Block 3**, so please have your child dress appropriately for the weather. Student leaders in our PE 20/30 classes will visit other classes to explain the cause, what to expect for the run, and how to raise money/donate.

### Important Dates

- Sept 25 - Parent Council 7pm
- Sept 27 - Terry Fox Run
- Sept 27 - FNMI U of A visit
- Sept 28 - Orange Shirt Day
- Oct 3 - Meet the Teacher
- Oct 3 - Academic Awards Night
- Oct 5 - Family Friday
- Oct 8 - Thanksgiving
- Oct 12 - We Day
- Oct 23 - ELAA
- Nov 2 - U of A Recruiter

The **U of A's** Indigenous recruiter will be here on September 27 at noon hour to set up display in the flex area and is able to present to any interested FNMI students that morning. On November 2, 9am to 10 am, there will be **general info session** for all students on programs, admissions, followed by a Q & A. See student services for more details!