Nitohtawin...Please Listen To Me





Dear PES Parents & Guardians,

On November 22 our school will be hosting a Nitohtawin Gathering; Nitohtawin is a Cree word which means "Please listen to me". The purpose of this gathering is to have our students participate in activities that allows them to share their voice so that we may gain a better understanding of how they learn best. Through these activities your children will have the opportunity to tell their teachers:

- 1. "What I wish my teacher knew about me..."
- 2. "It's hard for me to learn when...."
- 3. "I learn best when..."
- 4. Write a description or draw a picture of something that represents who they are

All students will participate by circulating through the different activities with their homebase class during a portion of the day:

8:50-10:00 = Grades 3 & 4 10:30-11:40 = Grades 1 & 2 12:30-1:40 = Grades 5 & 6 *Kindergarten times vary throughout the day

The format of these activities will be much like our PALS days and will be supported by our elders, Esther Mackinaw & Joseph Deschamps, as well as parent volunteers and some of our student leaders.

Activities will include a "Talking Circle", drawing or writing ideas on a "Graffiti Wall", and attaching thoughts about learning to Dream Catchers and Large Eagle Feathers.

There will be a celebration of our accomplishments at the end of the day with a final assembly at 2:00 - 2:45. Parents are welcome to join us at this time.

We are very excited for our first Nitohtawin Gathering and taking the time to listen to the voices of all our students.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Spate or Mrs. Rawlinson.

Sincerely, PES Staff



Listening

Learning