

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On **Monday, June 16th**, all GES students will be travelling by bus to **BCSS in Midway** to participate in **National Indigenous Peoples Day** celebrations.

The day will begin with an opening ceremony, followed by a variety of engaging activities including Indigenous games, drumming, storytelling, presentations, and crafting. As all events will take place outdoors, please ensure your child is **dressed appropriately for the weather** — including a hat, sunscreen, and suitable footwear.

We will return to GES in time for our **regular dismissal**.

Please ensure your child brings:

- A **full lunch** and **snacks**
- A **water bottle**
- **Ice packs** in their lunch to keep food cool (lunches will be stored under a tent, shaded but not cool)
- *Note: There is no microwave available.*

National Indigenous Peoples Day is a time to **honour and celebrate the history, culture, and contributions** of the First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples of Canada. We are excited to offer students a meaningful opportunity to engage and learn through this special event.


Permission forms must be returned by Wednesday, June 12th. (*We apologize for the quick turnaround.*)

Accidents can be the results of the nature of the activity and can occur with or without any fault on either the part of the student, or the School Board or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your child to participate in this activity, you are accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree all these activities, as described above, are suitable for your child.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me directly.

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Permission Form

Please return by June 12th

Student Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____