

Oshki Ogimaag Charter School

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Boozhoo Oshki families,

Can you believe we are entering our last month of the school year already? The school year has gone by quickly! We still have a lot we want to do! We need your students to come to school well rested and ready for a full day of activities, learning and engaging in positive relationships with their peers and adults.

Some ways to help with this by making sure they get plenty of rest. Make sure they have had a healthy supper and limited amount of caffeine and junk food. Limit the amount of screen time and when they do have access to computers have it be non-violent, educational, fun activities that they are participating in.

What do we have planned for May are you wondering? Hikes, planting, step-up day, presentations about dental hygiene and wood ticks, wrapping up in the sugarbush plus the usual things like writing about what we see and hear, learning about money, reading, Ojibwemowin, some science experiments and more! Watch for information about our last day of school activities and the possibility of any fieldtrips.

If you have questions or comments, feel free to reach out to us at 475-2112.

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Ms. Carmen- Executive Director



Upcoming Events

May 6 School day for students
May 13 and 20 2022
Kindergarten Step Up Days
May 18 Awards Night 5pm
May 27 Last day of school for students

Breakfast and Lunch menus
available
on our website:
www.oshkiogimaag.org

Ms. Leslie's Mental Health Moment

April is National Autism Awareness Month!

In 2021, the CDC reported that approximately 1 in 44 children in the U.S. is diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD), according to 2018 data.

- 1 in 27 boys identified with autism
- 1 in 116 girls identified with autism

The greatest way we can support these individuals is through awareness, education, acceptance, and advocacy! Take a few moments to check out the incredible information through websites such as www.autismspeaks.org to learn about signs, symptoms, and support! Questions, comments, concerns? I am always available to chat!

Ms. Jeana- K-1 The kindergarteners and first graders have done some fun activities in the months of March and April. We had two zoom presentations from the Raptor Center and each time they showed us a new raptor. The students can ask and answer questions.

We had another presentation from Bonnie to teach us more about why it is important to brush our teeth. The students are doing great remembering to brush their teeth after breakfast.

Ms. Tess came in and taught the students about different emotions and how to deal with them. She also did a relaxing meditation with them at the end.

Yoga has started up again and we have it every Thursday. The kids still enjoy seeing their yoga instructor and working on their yoga skills.

In April, we had people from CLIMB Theatre to do a presentation on aquatic invasive species. They taught a song to the kids. They also did a play about AIS, and they made it interactive.

Author Margaret Noodin came in to share a book that she wrote. Each student received a copy. They enjoyed listening to her read her story and then answering their questions.

We started Sugarbush and have been there 2 times. Each time we go, we collect sap and measure each sap. When we return to school, we add up the sap and add it to our total. Last, our caterpillars have arrived! We are watching the caterpillars make their chrysalis and will watch them emerge into butterflies. The students have enjoyed doing all these activities for the past two months.



News from Ms. Clearwater's Second and Third Grade Class: Our class is learning about the bones in our body! Our skeletons are amazing. We have 206 bones in our body. We did an art project and made an x-ray of the bones in our hands.

We are studying bats too. Did you know that the bats belong to the order of Chiroptera which means "hand wing" in ancient Greek? The bones in the bat wings are like the bones that make up the human hands!

On Wednesdays we are enjoying educational games. Putting together a puzzle of the world and "The Allowance Game" are two of our favorites.

On Friday we are learning Yoga with Ms. Carly and we are learning Drum with Mr. Gene on Mondays. We learn about symmetry in making pumpkins, bats, and ghosts. The two sides of each are equal and the same!

2-3 Class Photos



Above Photo by AJ Poyirier



Mrs. J 4-6 grades

The 4-6 class was lucky enough to visit the North House Folk School in Grand Marais and learn about logging history in the area and build a model Batteau boat. This was a very fun experience that all the students enjoyed.

We have been busy collecting and measuring the sap and looking forward to warmer weather staying!

We wrote to our Pen Pals in Pennsylvania about this and are enjoying writing back and forth with them. We also been busy learning how to bead for an upcoming project and continue to work with Ms. Krysten on our ribbon skirts.

