



Community Newsletter

December 2024 • Baashkaakodin Giizis Freezing Moon
January 2025 • Minado Giizis Spirit Moon

Wahnapi'tae First Nation



Christmas Parade

and Potluck Feast

Saturday, December 7

Parade departs 5:00 PM from end of Loonway Rd. to Centre of Excellence with feast to follow.

1ST
\$300

2ND
\$200

3RD
\$100

Please RSVP your children.

Register floats by Thurs., December 5;
add potluck items by Wed., December 4.

✉ Heather.Roy@wahnapi'taefn.com ☎ (705) 858-7700





CONGREGATE DINING

ELDERS 55+

Christmas Party

Sunday, December 8

📍 **Maan Doosh Gamig** 🕒 **5:00 PM**

Please join us in your best attire for dinner, games and a visit with the Grinch.

RSVP by Thursday, December 5. Eat in or take out, please specify in RSVP.

✉️ Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com ☎️ 705-858-7700



Teen Talk

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Friday, December 6

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

RSVP by Thursday, December 5.

Games and fun with dinner and refreshments!
Gingerbread mansion contest!

📧 Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com
📞 (705) 920-9106

📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com
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Christmas Gingerbread House

CRAFT WORKSHOP

Wednesday, December 4

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Please note due to variation of allergies, kits will be built with cardboard, stickers, and other craft materials.

For more information please contact:

📧 Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com 📞 (705) 920-9106



World AIDS Day INFOSESSION



Monday, December 2

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Light refreshments provided.

Please contact Heather to RSVP or for more information:
📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700

Wellness Wednesday

**Breast Cancer Awareness
Crafting & Info Session**

Wednesday, December 4

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 10:00 AM

Presentation with light snacks and refreshments,
all materials provided. RSVP by Monday, December 2.

For more information and to RSVP please contact:
📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700



A Message to Wahnapiatae First Nation Members

As the holiday season draws near, and on behalf of Council and the WFN team, I offer our warmest wishes to each of you. This time of year is a celebration of togetherness, gratitude, and joy, and we are so fortunate to share it as a community. May your holiday season be filled with love, laughter, and the warmth of family and friends.

Once again, the weeks and days leading up to the holiday break are busy. Please join us for a cherished tradition: our Holiday Parade and Community Feast on Saturday, December 7. These events bring us together to celebrate the spirit of the season and the strength of our community bonds. Please remember to let Heather know what dish you will be bringing and how many from your household will be attending.

On Saturday, November 23, we held our annual Partners Open House in MDG. In case you missed it, the room was packed full of more than 30 of our mining, education, social services, and administrative partners. It was so full, in fact, that our health partners were set up in the Elders Lounge for the event! Chi-miigwetch to everyone who joined us - your presence and participation made it a truly special occasion. Chi-miigwetch as well to our partners and WFN staff for their hard work and dedication to making the day such a success.

You may have noticed the new digital speed signs installed around the community. These are part of our ongoing efforts to enhance safety and awareness on our roads. Please be aware that these signs will periodically be moved to different locations within the community.

While we take the time to celebrate this season, let us carry forward a spirit of gratitude and community care. We are grateful for each and every one of you and look forward to seeing you at upcoming events. Wishing you and your loved ones a merry Christmas and a happy New Year filled with peace, health, and happiness.

Minoganawaamdig Niibaanaamaang miinwaa
Nimkoodaading.

Miigwetch,

Ogimaa Larry Roque



For the most up to date community information, notices, events and updates, register or visit us online.

Register for a members account:

 www.wahnapiataefirstnation.com

Sign up for email notices and updates:

 www.tinyurl.com/wfn-email

See what we're up to:

 [@WahnapiataeFirstNation](https://www.facebook.com/WahnapiataeFirstNation)

Wahnapiatae First Nation
Centre of Excellence
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Capreol, Ontario P0M 1H0
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Fax: (705) 858-5570

Hours of operation:
Monday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Tuesday 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM
Wednesday 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM
Thursday 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Do you have questions, comments or suggestions?

Please contact Communications Officer, Monica Dorion:

 Monica.Dorion@wahnapiataefn.com  Ext: 250

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Chief & Council

REGULAR MEETING • DECEMBER 2024 & JANUARY 2025

Tuesday, December 17, 2024

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

📍 MAAN DOOSH GAMIG & ZOOM 🕒 6:00 PM

Members wishing to attend via Zoom can find the link to register at

🌐 wahnapi'taefirstnation.com/members-login

- The deadline to register for the web version of the December meeting is Dec. 10.
- The deadline to register for the web version of the January meeting is Jan. 21.
- Registration is only open to WFN members who are over 18. Virtual attendees must use their legal name when joining the meeting.
- Once registered, prior to meeting, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the Zoom Meeting.



SCAN HERE
TO OPEN LINK



Community Events



Chief & Council and all the staff at Wahnapiitae First Nation wish you a joy-filled and very merry Christmas season and hope you have a wonderful new year, full of adventure, growth, and dreams come true.





UPDATED: RSVP by Monday, December 2

Please indicate TURKEY or HAM in RSVP

Pick-up Wednesday, December 18

Bring bags to Maan Doosh Gamig from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

No extensions, must RSVP. To RSVP please contact:

📧 Rochelle.Tyson@wahnapitaefn.com 📧 Line.Baillargeon@wahnapitaefn.com

☎ (705) 858-7700



Christmas Window Decorations

**Visit Natalie at the Centre of Excellence for a free pack!
Monday, November 18 - Monday, December 16**

To RSVP or for more information please contact:

📧 Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com ☎ (705) 920-9106



Medicinal Teachings & Story Telling

Storytelling is an incredibly vital element of our Indigenous history and learning. It is how we share our skills and knowledge with each other and future generations.

This winter season, we invite our Elders to share their words and take part in Medicinal Teachings with Line. Elders will be able to make medicines and learn about the emotional and spiritual support it can provide.

December 5, 12 & 19 • January 16, 23 & 30

📍 WFN Yurt & Tipi (behind MDG) ⌚ 1 PM - 4 PM

For more information please contact:

📧 Line.Baillargeon@wahnapitaefn.com

☎ (705) 858-7700



WFN hosts another hugely successful Annual Partners Open House

On Saturday, November 23, WFN hosted its annual Partners Open House at MDG. More than 30 health, social services, education, mining, and services organizations were attendance to share with members their projects and answer questions. Chi-miigwetch to all who came and to Hiawatha's Catering for the delicious lunch! Chi-miigwetch also to Sudbury Charities Foundation for their donation of \$10,000 to WFN's Education Dept. for youth programming.



Senior Activity kits DECEMBER

Kit #17

Dream Catchers

Please sign-up by Thursday, December 5.

Delivery on Thursday, December 12.

*Must be a senior and be signed up to receive an activity kit.

Please contact Heather to sign-up or for more information:

 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com  (705) 858-7700



Creative Corner

Come craft and socialize!

Do you have unfinished crafts or beading at home? Crafts available, if needed!
Come and go as you please for some snacks and social crafting time!

Monday, December 9

 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM  Maan Doosh Gamig

For more information please contact:

 Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com  (705) 920-9106

 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com  (705) 858-7700



Volunteer Opportunity



Environmental Committee

The Environmental Committee is dedicated to protecting and ensuring that WFN's lands and resources are managed in an environmentally sensitive and sustainable manner, honouring the Seven Grandfather teachings in all decision-making processes.

The committee is seeking youth (age 18-30), adult (age 31-49) and Elder (age 50+) members.

The Environmental Committee is responsible for:

- making recommendations on relevant and appropriate land and resource programs matters as required;
- overseeing the application of the Land Use Plan;
- adhering to vision and mission statements of the WFN Lands and Resources Department;
- providing feedback on by-laws, rules and regulations regarding the development of lands and resources on WFN traditional territory;
- encouraging greater communication and participation from all Wahnapiitae First Nation members in lands and resources programs.

To become a volunteer you must:

- be able to attend all committee meetings;
- be knowledgeable about Lands and Resources related topics;
- have the ability to work in a team environment, be ethically and morally responsible;
- be a member of Wahnapiitae First Nation of at least 18 years of age;
- comply with the terms of reference document.

Deadline for application is Thursday, January 23, 2025.

For applications and more information please contact:
Sara Lehman, Lands & Resources Director

 Sara.Lehman@wahnapiitaefn.com

 (705) 858-7700 Ext. 204

LOVE • RESPECT • COURAGE • HONESTY • WISDOM • HUMILITY • TRUTH

HOLIDAY Craft Workshop

Monday, December 9

🕒 Maan Doosh Gamig 📍 1:00 PM

Everyone welcome.
Light snacks and refreshments provided.
Please RSVP by Thursday, December 5.

✉️ Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com

☎️ (705) 920-9106

✉️ Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com

☎️ (705) 858-7700



Nutrition

BINGO

Thursday, December 12

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Dinner served at 5:00 PM followed by Bingo at 5:30 PM.

For questions or more information please contact:
✉️ Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com ☎️ (705) 858-7700

Biindigen New Team Member

Aanii, WFN!

My name is Kirk Fournier and I am the new Post Majority Prevention Worker for Wahnapiatae First Nation.

First, a little about myself. My wife, Stephanie, and I are the proud parents of two sons (one with special needs): Alex, 18 and Deacon, 16. In my journey, I was raised amongst the peoples of the James Bay Coast (Fort Albany/Attawapiskat). A lifetime of Indigenous teachings and connections have helped broaden my world view and given me invaluable insight into the strength and pride of Indigenous people and also the challenges First Nations face today. As I approach two decades in the social work field, I have been fortunate to work also in labour relations, ensuring Indigenous rights were respected for workers in the construction industry.

As a family man, I take the care and support of WFN members very seriously. My work is guided by the 7 Grandfathers teachings, ensuring I share my skills and knowledge with my clients/community with integrity, courage, and honesty. It is essential that all care, support and advocacy are conducted with the unique needs of Wahnapiatae First Nation first and foremost.

The Post Majority Prevention Worker is available to clients aged 15-25 and transitioning from child services care to independence. The program offers advocacy, life skills education, and access to addictions interventions as needed. Other program offerings are support in life skills, financial literacy, prevention services, employment skills, referrals and advocacy. I am honoured to be here and looking forward to becoming part of the community. Please feel free to reach me by email: kirk.fournier@wahnapiataefn.com or by phone at (705) 921-7576.



Gather • Laugh • Sing • Learn

Drumming Circle

**Tuesday
December 10** **Monday
January 13** **Thursday
January 23**

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Traditional drumming and songs facilitated by Tammy Chevrette, Cultural Coordinator.
Light dinner and refreshments provided. Everyone 16+ welcome. **RSVP requested.**

✉️ Tammy.Chevrette@wahnapiataefn.com 📞 (705) 920-9488



SENIORS

Christmas Crafting



Monday, December 16

Maan Doosh Gamig 6:00 PM

Light snacks and refreshments provided.
Please RSVP by Thursday, December 5.

Heather.Roy@wahnapietaefn.com
 (705) 858-7700



WinterFun PHOTO BOOTH

November 13-December 16

Niijan Arbour across from Pow-Wow Grounds

**WIN AN AMAZON GIFT CARD
SOLO PHOTO \$50 • FAMILY PHOTO \$100**

Off-reserve members are welcome to submit photos enjoying winter fun.

Draw date: Tuesday, December 17. Text or email photos to:

Natalie.Goring@wahnapietaefn.com (705) 920-9106





WFN Profile Book Illustrations/Artwork Call

WFN's Education Department is reaching out to our community's creative members - we need your work! Cover art and illustrations are needed for a book profiling our First Nation. This profile includes our history, our present, and our goals for our future.

***Cover illustration concept:
Representation of past and present history.***

***Page illustration concepts:
Logging, community history, wildlife, old buildings or sites of significance, Lake Wanapitei, significant community members.***

Please submit your work in physical or digital formats to:

✉ Marilyn.Nicholls@wahnapitaeFN.com ☎ (705) 858-0610 ext. 209

Deadline for submissions: Tuesday, December 17



Anishinaabemowin Language Sessions



Tuesdays - January 7, 14, 21 & 28

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Co-Facilitated by Debbie Recollet & Debbie Plain-McGregor.
16+ welcome to attend. Light dinner and refreshments provided.

To register and for more information please contact:

📧 Tammy.Chevrette@wahnapiataefn.com 📞 (705) 920-9488

Transform Thursdays



January 9, 16, 23 & 30

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 11:00 AM

*Everyone Welcome. Join Heather and Alison for exercise and activity.
All exercises can be modified to meet mobility/physical needs.*

For more information please contact:

📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700

📧 Alison.Sabzali@wahnapiataefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700

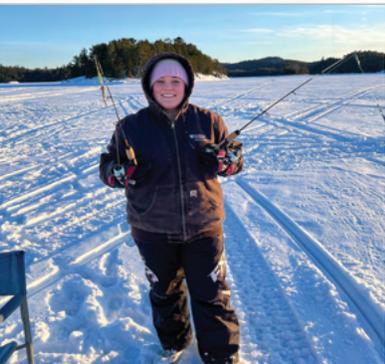
THANK YOU WFN

Another two years of schooling is complete. On September 4th I defended my Masters of Science thesis to a panel of scientists, presenting the research we did here in WFN and showing the importance of studies like this one. The past two years have been a totally different learning environment from anything that I've been part of before.

Interacting with the WFN community in this research, inclusion of culture and tradition in one of my classes, and sharing my experience and knowledge I've gained about working with Indigenous communities has been an incredible and uplifting experience. I feel that this time has helped build my identity as an Indigenous scientist and my Indigeneity overall.

I want to give huge thank you to WFN for their support during all my years in schooling, but especially for the WFN Lands dept for entrusting me to work on this project with them and for you, also to FNECP for funding this research. I am excited to see where this degree takes me in my career and also to see my knowledge brought back to the community. Keep an eye out for posters and presentation announcements from me and the group in the near future.

- Taylor Nicholls



Seniors T.L.C. TUESDAYS

January 7, 14, 21 & 28

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Cards, snacks and refreshments provided.

For more information and to RSVP please contact:
📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700



Senior Activity Kits JANUARY

Kit #18

Dream Catcher Bracelet

Please sign-up by Thursday, January 9.

Delivery on Thursday, January 16.

*Must be a senior and be signed up to receive an activity kit.

Please contact Heather to sign-up or for more information:

📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700



Update on Accreditation Process for Norman Recollet Health Centre

Aanii, dear members,

When I joined Wahnapiatae First Nation (WFN) as its Health Director, I set the goal of obtaining accreditation for the Norman Recollet Health Centre. It's now time for an update on the progress and process WFN and its Health Department have made. First, let me provide an explanation of accreditation and what WFN can expect once we obtain this challenging and worthwhile achievement.

An accredited health center is a health service organization that has met national quality standards and is recognized for providing high-quality, safe, and effective health services.

There are many benefits of being accredited. Accreditation helps health centers improve their quality, efficiency, and safety, and decrease the chance of risk. It also helps them understand how to use resources better and strengthen accountability. Funding becomes more accessible when your organization is sealed with accreditation.

Each program that falls under health, i.e. HCCP, Family Wellbeing, Mental Health, Medical transportation, etc., all have standards that are developed by the Health Standards Organization (HSO). Along with those standards also comes policy development to guide our programs and ensure that we deliver quality care to our staff, clients, and partners.

This is the part of the process that takes the longest – the taking stock of existing materials and tools, evaluating, and developing updates and creating new tools and materials. But I am happy to say that we are very near completion of this part of the process.

Once we are ready, the next step is to have CAC surveyors scheduled to come to WFN to evaluate our work and determine what we might still need to work on.

Accreditation takes a lot of hard work and dedication from the health staff. I am beyond proud of the work this dedicated and deeply caring team has accomplished and continues to produce. Chi-miigwetch to all of you.

Accreditation also has no set timeline. While we have not set a completion date yet, we are working very hard to achieve this goal soon. IN the meantime, please reach out to me if you have any questions about accreditation and our progress so far.

Miigwetch,

Lydia Iserhoff, Health Director - NRHC
Phone: (705) 858-7700 Ext. 222
Email: lydia.iserhoff@wahnapiataefn.com



Soups On!



ORDER BY:
11:00 AM

PICK-UP BY:
12:00 PM

DECEMBER
3, 10 & 17

JANUARY
7, 14, 21 & 28

📍 **MAAN DOOSH GAMIG**
☎ (705) 858-0610

ALL PROCEEDS OF SOUPS ON! CONTRIBUTE TO COMMUNITY PROJECTS & STUDENT BURSARIES

CONGREGATE DINING

ELDERS 55+



SUNDAY, DEC 8
RSVP BY THURS, DECEMBER 5

THURSDAY, JAN 9
RSVP BY MONDAY, JANUARY 6

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 5:00 PM
In person or pick-up only. Seniors are welcome to socialize afterward with a game of cards or chatting.

To RSVP or for more information:
📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com ☎ 705-858-7700



Seniors CHAIR YOGA

Monday, January 13

📍 **Metamorphosis Yoga Studio, Capreol** 🕒 **2:00 PM**
Rides and passes provided. Please RSVP by Thursday, January 9.

For more information and to RSVP please contact:
📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapiataefn.com ☎ (705) 858-7700





RSVP by Wednesday, January 15
Pick-up day: Wednesday, January 22

Bring your bags to Maan Doosh Gamig from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Please contact Rochelle or Line to RSVP or for more information:

Rochelle.Tyson@wahnapitaefn.com Line.Baillargeon@wahnapitaefn.com
 (705) 858-7700



Healthy Snacks

BLUE BIN PROGRAM

December
DROP OFF
M • December 9
PICK UP
T • December 10

January
DROP OFF
M • January 6
PICK UP
T • January 7

Family Wellness Centre (178 Loonway Road)
 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM

For questions and more information please contact:
 April.Cardinal@wahnapitaefn.com (705) 858-7700 ext. 235

GOOD FOOD

DECEMBER
ORDER BY THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5
PICK-UP ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

JANUARY
ORDER BY THURSDAY, JANUARY 9
PICK-UP ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

SMALL BOX \$10 LARGE BOX \$21

To order or for more information:
 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com
 (705) 858-7700



Work on it Wednesdays

Come craft and socialize!

Do you have unfinished crafts or beading at home? Crafts available, if needed!
Come and go as you please for some snacks and social crafting time!

Wednesday, January 15 & 29

🕒 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM 📍 Elders Lounge - Maan Doosh Gamig

For more information please contact:

📧 Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com 📞 (705) 920-9106



Nutrition



Thursday, January 16

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Dinner served at 5:00 PM followed by Bingo at 5:30 PM.

For questions or more information please contact:

📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700

Self Care & Mental Health

WORKSHOP &
 PHOTO BOOTH

Wednesday, January 22

 Maan Doosh Gamig  10:00 AM

Please RSVP by Monday, January 20.

Prizes, self care activity kits, crafting and more! Fill out the Self Care Activity sheets to win!

To RSVP and for more information please contact:

 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com

 (705) 858-7700



Bell
Let's Talk

Wellness Wednesdays

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig

January 8 🕒 10:00 AM • Suicide Prevention

January 15 🕒 2:00 PM • Human Trafficking

January 29 🕒 1:00 PM • Dementia Awareness

Presentation with light snacks and refreshments. For more information and to RSVP please contact: 📧 Heather.Roy@wahnapitaefn.com 📞 (705) 858-7700



Sensory Kits: Refills

Winter Valentines

For ages 0-6 years old. One kit per child.
Natalie will contact when kits are ready for pick-up.
Please RSVP by Thursday, January 23.

Must be previously registered to receive refill.
If you did not register in November please contact:

📧 Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com 📞 (705) 920-9106



Information Management Law FAQ



Throughout the summer, WFN's Governance department conducted Information Management Law engagement sessions online, in person, and through surveys to gather insights and address key concerns. Below are the frequently asked questions that emerged during these sessions.

Is it a good idea for WFN to have its own law for privacy protections?

Yes! Canada has its own privacy laws, but courts don't know how to apply them to First Nation communities. This leaves First Nations in limbo with virtually no legal protection. Passing a WFN-specific privacy law will give WFN members legal protection which can be enforced by members in court if need be.

Will staff be trained in accordance with the new information law?

Absolutely! Staff currently receive training and sign a confidentiality agreement in accordance with Canadian law, but under a WFN law, they would receive updated training and have new parameters on collecting and storing member data based on the WFN-specific law.

What did members have to say about adjudication and third-party resolution?

When it comes to resolving members' concerns about how WFN applies the law, members shared their preference for a third-party adjudication system, i.e. for someone or a tribunal from outside the community. Currently, WFN and other nations are working with B'Maakonigan to have this run through them in the future.

What other changes did members say they wanted to see in the proposed law?

Consent Withdrawal: Members should be informed they can withdraw consent for personal information collection at any time. **Periodic Consent Check:** Members should be notified to renew their consent to collection of personal information regularly. **Guardian Consent for Minors:** Children under 16 should require a guardian's consent for the collection of their personal information.

What happens next?

WFN's legal team will complete amendments to the proposed law based on member feedback. After, the revised law will be presented to Chief and Council for review in November or December. In mid-January 2025, OneFeather will initiate the voting process, which is tentatively scheduled for late February.

Still have questions? Please contact: ✉ Taylor.Bertrim@wahnapietaefn.com ☎ (705) 858-0610 ext. 254



WANBEDEH FLYING CRANES

51ST LITTLE NATIVE HOCKEY LEAGUE
TOURNAMENT



**U7-U18 PLAYERS
& TEAM MANAGERS**

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW - CLOSING DECEMBER 18

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

 BETTY-KAY.HILL@WAHNAPITAEFN.COM  (705) 822-5690



Traditional CRAFT NIGHT

Wednesday, January 29

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig

🕒 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM

All materials provided. 16+ only.
Dinner and refreshments available.
Please RSVP by Friday, January 24.

✉ Tammy.Chevrette@wahnapitaefn.com

☎ (705) 920-9488



Healthy Babies Healthy Children Drop In Thursday, January 30

📍 Maan Doosh Gamig 🕒 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Join us to learn about child development and discover a fun activity to enjoy with your child! You'll also have the chance to complete clinic and vaccine registrations, review a child development checklist, and more.

For questions and more information please contact:

✉ Natalie.Goring@wahnapitaefn.com ☎ (705) 920-9106





Stay Informed and Safe with the Emergency Alert Program

Dear Wahnapiitae First Nation,

We are excited to introduce the new Emergency Alert Program, an initiative aimed at increasing the safety and well-being of Wahnapiitae First Nation members and its community, whether residing on- or off- reserve.

This program is facilitated by the Emergency Management Coordinator, utilizing the well-established application, Everbridge, to streamline communication during critical times and ensure that every community member is kept informed and safe during emergencies.

Who is it for?

This program is tailored to Wahnapiitae First Nation members and community members, including those living off-reserve. Its sole purpose is to alert members and community promptly in the event of emergencies.

Who is managing it?

The Emergency Alert System is managed by WFN administration, leveraging the advanced functionalities of the Everbridge application to ensure seamless communication during emergency events.

Why are we launching this program?

A significant part of the overall plan to enhance safety and foster better communication during emergency events, the introduction of this program is a step towards safeguarding our community members. It comes with an assurance of timely and efficient notification, helping everyone to stay informed of necessary actions and precautions during emergencies.

What triggers an alert?

An alert will be triggered under circumstances that require immediate attention and collective action from the community, such as natural disasters, severe weather conditions, evacuations, or other emergency situations that warrant community alertness and responsiveness.

How does it work?

Emergency alerts can be sent/received as electronic calls, texts, or emails. When you sign up for the program, you will be able to select the communication method that works best for you. This feature ensures that everyone gets emergency alerts at the same time in their preferred format.

Register here:

cutt.ly/WFN_EmergencyAlertSystem_SignUp , and we encourage everyone to actively participate and help foster a community where everyone is alert, informed, connected and safe.



Are you licenced in a trade or service?

WFN's Facilities & Infrastructure department is compiling a list of providers that offer service in Wahnapiatae First Nation.

If you or someone you know would be a good addition to this list, please send an email with the type of service, name and contact information to:

✉ Emily.Roque@wahnapiataefn.com ☎ (705) 858-0610



Wahnapiatae First Nation wants to connect with you

Members are encouraged to sign up for email alerts to stay up-to-date on what's happening in the community!

Email alerts will let members receive the newsletter digitally, provide more timely feedback on important community projects and receive links to virtual community engagement sessions.

Use the link below to sign up and stay connected!

www.tinyurl.com/wfn-email

If you have feedback and suggestions, they are always welcome. Send questions or suggestions to Monica Dorion, Communications Officer, via email at monica.dorion@wahnapiataefn.com.



ATTENTION WFN PARENTS

WE FEEL YOU!

Bad weather happens. Sometimes it causes traffic havoc. Especially on school days.

PLEASE CHECK FOR CANCELLATIONS

Wahnapiatae First Nation works with the Sudbury Student Services Consortium, which is responsible for all of Greater Sudbury's school buses. They decide when/if buses need to be cancelled.

SSSC BUS NOTICES

This site is updated daily by 7 A.M.

www.businfo.ca



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Members Only Section

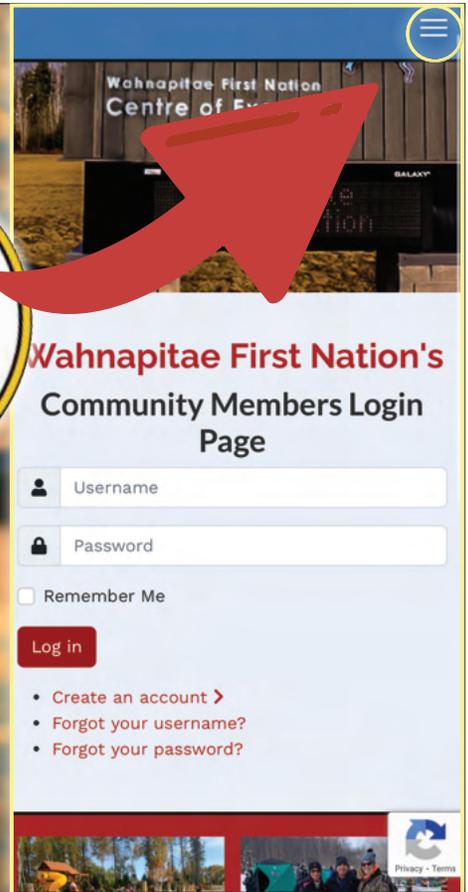
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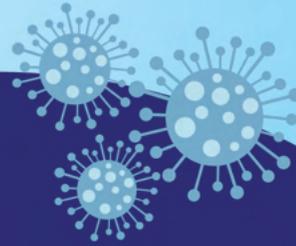


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HOLIDAY CLOSURE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23
TO THURSDAY, JANUARY 2

Be courteous.
Please notify your neighbours.



Before setting off fireworks this season, please let your neighbours know so they can prepare any pets or loved ones.



Know the Signs

A drug poisoning is a medical emergency.

Know the signs of a drug poisoning and call 9-1-1 right away if you notice someone experiencing the following signs/symptoms:

- difficulty walking, talking, or staying awake;
- blue lips or nails;
- very small pupils;
- cold and clammy skin;
- dizziness and confusion;
- extreme drowsiness;
- choking, gurgling or snoring sounds;
- slow, weak, or no breathing;
- inability to wake up, even when shaken or shouted at.

Don't Run. Call 9-1-1.

Anishinabek Police Service frontline officers and other first responders carry naloxone and we want to assist. The Good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act provides broad legal protections for anyone seeking emergency support during a drug poisoning, including the person experiencing the poisoning.

This means citizens, including youth, will not be charged for offences such as simple possession for calling 9-1-1 in an emergency.

Carry Naloxone

Naloxone can temporarily reverse an opioid poisoning. It is available free-of-charge, at the Centre of Excellence, along with substance testing kits. Contact or visit Heather, Community Wellness Coordinator, to get yours.

Free naloxone and substance testing kits available.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN POLICING?



Now Hiring

SURFACE DRILLER HELPER

Responsibilities including, but not limited to:

- Moving drill parts and consumables
- Assisting driller(s) with layout of patterns, maintenance of the drills, including fueling and lubrication
- Adhering to safety protocols and regulations at all times

Qualifications

- Ability to work well in a team environment
- Strong work ethic and commitment to quality, safety and the well-being of others
- Valid driver's license and clean driving record

Hourly Rate

\$20.00 - \$30.00/ hour depending on experience

*Drill helpers who excel in this role may be selected for the driller training program

Interested applicants can send their resume to their community representative Lilli Doughty at lilli.doughty@wahnapitaefn.com. If preferred, resumes can also be sent directly to Technica to Kiara Dipietro at kdipietro@technicamining.com.



Why choose Technica?

Working at Technica means choosing a safe environment where no one employee is more important than the other, and where we prioritize people over projects. We pride ourselves on a culture that is built on our core values of respect, integrity, courage, honesty, and humility, which guide our day-to-day operations and decisions.

In addition, Technica offers a series of benefits including:

- Competitive salary
- Comprehensive benefits package including health, dental, life, and disability benefits
- Company matched pension plan
- Travel pay (where applicable)
- Corporate health and Wellness Program (i.e., health risk assessments, training and nutrition plans, etc.)
- Opportunity to grow
- Company events
- Work-life balance

* Indigenous applicants are encouraged to include their status and community when applying. Training will be made available to a select number of Indigenous applicants in line with Technica's commitment to increasing Indigenous representation within its workforce.

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TRAILER SCHEDULE:

WAHNAPIITAE FIRST NATION



Thursday, January 16
3:00 PM at Centre of Excellence
259 Taighwenini Trail Road

Contact: info@niigaaniin.com

ATTENTION
COMMUNITY MEMBERS!
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- One piece of government ID
- Your expired health card/drivers license



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Stay and

CALL 911

CALL 911

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Together we can **#StopOverdoses**

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WORD SCRAMBLE

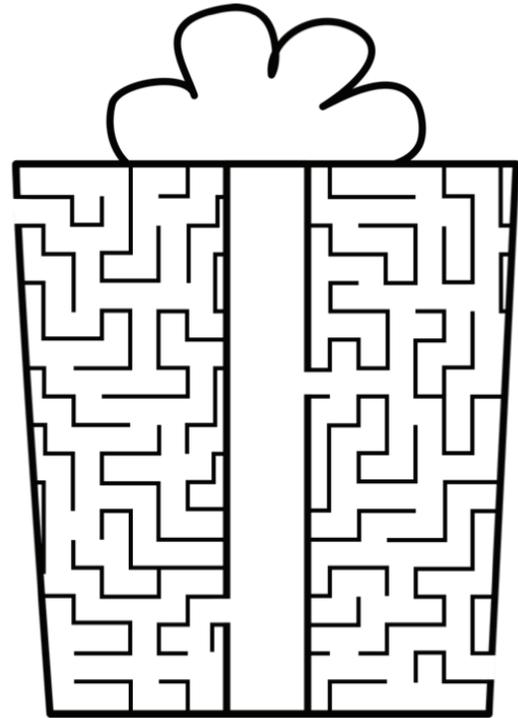
Unscramble the letters to find the Christmas words.

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| cgstotnik _____ | ldyhiao _____ |
| sreptnse _____ | ksoicoe _____ |
| erte _____ | |
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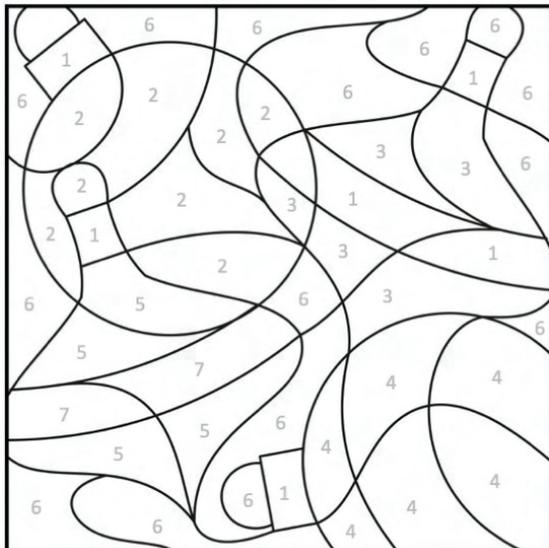
PRESENT MAZE

Trace your way through the maze.



COLOR BY NUMBER

Color each space using the number key.



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|------------|------------|
| 1 - Yellow | 5 - Purple |
| 2 - Orange | 6 - Green |
| 3 - Blue | 7 - Gray |
| 4 - Red | |

CHRISTMAS WORD FIND

Find all of the words in the puzzle below.

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a w c r h o k s u u p r h c n
g f o s t o c k i n g t o d m
w r o t k i a h t w t r e e d
o n k a g f n t s r a k s c o
c p i r s n d i n a w p m o s
a c e d l m y p b p e j k r x
w m s p r o c h r i s t m a s
c w f m n o a p t e d c k t g
o r n a m e n t s w h t e i c
a e p t p r e s e n t d c o e
t a g o o c i e n d y p s n t
s t o g p t c t s g i f t s m
r h c o m i p h a n g w s u w
    
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- Christmas tree
- present
- unwrap
- gifts
- decorations

- stocking
- star
- ornaments
- candy cane
- wreath
- cookies



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December 2024

AFTER SCHOOL AND YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
2	3	4	5	6
ASP & YLP Mindfulness with Horses @Whinnying in Life Hanmer	YLP The gift of giving	ASP Gingerbread Houses with Natalie		
9	10	11	12	13
ASP Making Ugly Christmas Sweaters	YLP Making Ugly Christmas Sweaters	ASP Baby Eagle Staff Session #3 @MDG Hall		
16	17	18	19	20
ASP Environmental with Jade!	YLP Christmas Party!	ASP Christmas Party!		
23	24	25	26	27
<div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <p>WFN Offices Closed for Holidays! No Programming.</p> </div>				

January 2025

AFTER SCHOOL & YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
		1	2	3
ASP 6	YLP 7	ASP 8	9	10
Making Healthy Choices Nutrition and Self-Care Activities	Indoor Mini Putt at Gazebo	Youth Choice Activities		
ASP 13	YLP 14	ASP 15	16	17
Whinnying in Life Mindfulness and Horses! in Hanmer	Youth Voice Outing! Location TBD	Story Telling and Imaginative Play		
ASP 20	YLP 21	ASP 22	23	24
Indoor Mini Putt at Gazebo	NO PROGRAM - STAFF AWAY AT CONFERENCE			
ASP 27	YLP 28	ASP 29	30	31
Yoga and Mindfulness	Self-Expression Activities	Sliding at the Hill!		

ASP (Ages 4-11) 3:30-5:30PM Monday and Wednesday
YLP (Ages 12-17) 3:00-5:30PM on Tuesdays

****All scheduled activities are subject to change due to weather, or unforeseen circumstances. Parental responsibility to have other arrangements in place if childcare is required.**

Wahnapiṭae First Nation

December 2024 • Minado Giisoonhs Little Spirit Moon



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 1:00p• World Aids Day Infosession	3 12:00p• Soup's ON!	4 10:00a• Wellness Wednesdays @MDG <i>RSVP Dec 2</i> 2:00p• Gingerbread House Crafting Workshop	5 1:00p• Medicinal Teachings & Stories	6 6:00p• Teen Talk Christmas Party <i>RSVP Dec 5</i>	7 5:00p• Christmas Parade & Community Feast 
Family Winter Survival Kits Pick Up: December 2-5 & 9-12						
Winter Fun Photobooth Contest: November 13-December 16 Christmas Window Decorations: November 18-December 16						
LNHL Wanbedeh Flying Cranes Team Registration Open - Closing December 18						
8 5:00p• Congregate Dining Christmas Party <i>RSVP Dec 5</i>	9 1:00p• Creative Corner Crafting/ Holiday Craft Workshop <i>RSVP Dec 5</i>	10 12:00p• Soup's ON! 3:00p• Healthy Snacks Bins P/U <i>RSVP Dec 9</i> 6:00p• MDG Drum Circle <i>RSVP please</i>	11	12 1:00p• Medicinal Teachings & Stories 5:00p• Christmas Nutrition Bingo • Good Food Box & Seniors Activity Kits P/U <i>RSVP Dec 5</i>	13	14
Family Winter Survival Kits Pick Up: December 2-5 & 9-12						
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LNHL Wanbedeh Flying Cranes Team Registration Open - Closing December 18						
15	16 6:00p• Seniors Christmas Crafting <i>RSVP Dec 5</i>	17 12:00p• Soup's ON! 6:00p• Chief & Council Regular Meeting <i>Web RSVP by Dec 10</i> • Submission Deadline: WFN profile book artwork	18 4:00p• Healthy Recipe OTM P/U <i>RSVP Dec 2</i>	19 1:00p• Medicinal Teachings & Stories	20	21
LNHL Wanbedeh Flying Cranes Team Registration Open - Closing December 18						
22	23	24	25  Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28
Wahnapiṭae First Nation Offices Closed Monday December 23, 2024 - Re-open Monday, January 6, 2025						
29	30	31	1 New Years Day	2	3	4
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29	30	31	1 New Years Day	2	3	4
Wahnapiṭae First Nation Offices Closed Monday December 23, 2024 - Re-open Monday, January 6, 2025						
5	6	7 12:00p• Soup's ON! 3:00p• Senior T.L.C. Tuesdays 5:00p• Anishinaabemowin Sessions 3:00p• Healthy Snacks Bins P/U <i>RSVP Jan 6</i>	8 10:00a • Wellness Wednesdays @ MDG	9 11:00a • Transform Thursdays 5:00p• Congregate Dining <i>RSVP Jan 6</i>	10	11
12	13 2:00p• Seniors Chair Yoga at Metamorphosis Yoga Studio, Capreol <i>RSVP Jan 9</i> 6:00p• MDG Drum Circle <i>RSVP please</i>	14 12:00p• Soup's ON! 3:00p• Senior T.L.C. Tuesdays 5:00p• Anishinaabemowin Sessions	15 9:30a • Work on it Wednesdays Crafting 2:00p• Wellness Wednesdays @ MDG	16 11:00a • Transform Thursdays • Good Food Box & Seniors Activity Kits P/U <i>RSVP Jan 9</i> 1:00p• Medicinal Teachings & Stories 3:00p• Service ON 5p• Nutrition Bingo	17	18
19	20	21 12:00p• Soup's ON! 3:00p• Senior T.L.C. Tuesdays 5:00p• Anishinaabemowin Sessions	22 10:00a• Bell Let's Talk Workshop & Photobooth <i>RSVP Jan 20</i> 4:00p• Healthy Recipe OTM P/U <i>RSVP Jan 15</i>	23 11:00a• Transform Thursdays 1:00p• Medicinal Teachings & Stories 6:00p• MDG Drum Circle <i>RSVP please</i> • <i>RSVP Sensory Kit Refills</i>	24	25
26	27	28 12:00p• Soup's ON! 3:00p• Senior T.L.C. Tuesdays 5:00p• Anishinaabemowin Sessions 6:00p• Chief & Council Regular Meeting <i>Web RSVP by Jan 21</i>	29 9:30a• Work on it Wednesdays Crafting 1:00p• Wellness Wednesdays @ MDG 6:00p• Traditional Craft Night <i>RSVP Jan 24</i>	30 11:00a• Transform Thursdays 1:00p• Medicinal Teachings & Stories 1:00p• HBHC Drop In	31	1
2 	3	4 12:00p• Soup's ON!	5	6	7	8

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