# Culture Matters

## (Britney Shooter: BNAS/Immersion)

Both classrooms worked hard on learning their Christmas concert songs. The Star Children (Kindergarten) class learned how to sing Jingle Bells and Silent Night in Blackfeet. The Butterfly class (1st grade) learned how to sing Silent Night and Santa Clause is coming to town. Each class did a great job during their Christmas program.

## BNAS Specialists (Jocelyn & Brent):

The month of December was a very short month for learning. We focused our time on learning our blackfeet songs for christmas. We learned Jingle Bells for Early K and Kindergarten. For first grade we learned silent night, and jingle bells. It was very enjoyable for all to learn songs in blackfeet. The concert was a success, parents were excited and proud that each classroom: Early Kindergarten (3), Kindergarten (9) & 1st Grade (8) could sing a song in Blackfeet.

# Attendance Matters

(Bill Huebsch - Assistant Principal)

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Enrolled</u>	<u> Attendance %</u>
Early K	53	63.57%
Kindergarten	109	66.51%
1st Grade	130	<u>72.76%</u>
Total	293	68.87%

## December Perfect Attendance (as of 12-13-2022)

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<u>1st Grade</u>	<u>Kindergarten</u>	<u>Early K</u>	
Amari Augare	Victoria Cree Medicine	Sahkooyii Bullshoe	
Laken Castillo	Hazelee Cross Guns	RATD	
Violet Connell	Neveah Farmer	Paxton Miller	
Brylee Crawford	Rock Gobert		
Aliyana Gobert	Lily Red Fox		
Ronnell Goggles	Aria Williamson		
Katie Harwood			
Wyatt Kicking Woman			
Jason LittleDog			
AlissaMiller			
Lailani Mountain Chief			
Shania Prociv			
Cecelia Trombley			
Melody Watts			

John Wippert

## Staff Attendance

September: Certified: 93% Classified 93% October: Certified: 87% Classified: 78% November: Certified: 89% Classified: 85% December: Certified: 80% Classified: 89% Classified: 85% December: Certified: 80% Classified: 89% Classified: 85% December: Certified: 80% Classified: 85% December: Certified: 85% 85%

# **Graduation Matters**

(Marci Burd: First Grade Team Leader)

This short month of first grade really focused on celebrating the December holidays. We had different activities planned out for our littles.

Our students were hard at it learning their Christmas program songs. The first grade each sang 5 songs and 1 in Blackfeet.

Our students were able to participate with their families in our Christmas, Make It Take It. There was a great turn out and lots of crafts given away for everyone. First grade was able to celebrate with their class and teachers the last day before break. The students were able to have a pajama day with a Chrismtas movie in the gym. After that they played games and had their classroom parties which they all looked forward to.

Santa even made an appearance at our building.
The staff also had some time to team build and have fun with each other by playing the Saran wrap ball game.







(Kelley Sharp: Kindergarten Team Leader)

We got to celebrate our Christmas Make it Take it Crafts. Our students and families really enjoyed it.

Kindergarten made good gains academically in our small groups. We will be in Unit 5 in Wonders after break and Module 3 in Eureka Math. Have a well deserved rest and Happy Holiday.

Merry Christmas from Kindergarten



#### (Susie Small: Early-K Team Leader)

The school days of December flew by for us in Early K. We had been practicing our Christmas songs since before December! The TA's decorated VINA gym beautifully and the kids were so excited to sing their songs in front of their families. In each class the students were able to experience the full process of making sugar cookies. During this time, we were able to incorporate vocabulary, math, reading, and writing into the whole process! The students absolutely loved it! On Friday we will celebrate all the hard work students have done and have our Christmas parties. The kids absolutely loved seeing Santa, and visiting with him for a second, thank you to Earl Tail for being Santa.

We hope you all have a safe and Merry Christmas.







### (Anne Schuschke: Specialist Team Leader)

We wrapped up December with our Winter Program. Gail Hoyt and Jocelyn Big Throat worked hard to teach and practice holiday songs in English and Blackfeet with all our students. The performances were a big hit, the kids were proud to show off all their hard work for family and friends.

#### (Melody Cobell: Para Professional Team Leader)

Our December was another busy time.

We decorated the schools for the holiday and Vina Gym for the Christmas Programs. We are happy to report our Para Team is growing comfortable with the Food Service.

Happy Holiday

#### (Juliana Salois: SEL Team Leader)

Our goal for December was to deliver Social Emotional Services throughout our campus using three models; Classroom lessons, individual sessions, and small group lessons. They are all based on our researched based Conscious Discipline Model.

Our Team has assisted staff with Christmas preparations as well as Toys for Tots and food distribution.

Our Team is moving forward and looking forward to the New Year.

Happy Holidays



# Many Blessings from KW/Vina Elementary! We wish you well ... 💗

