

National Indigenous Peoples Day - June 21

Patrick Mitsuing, Indigenous Education Coordinator, has worked as part of a team to bring together a virtual celebration for National Indigenous Peoples Day next Monday. The hour-long event begins at 9:00 a.m. and will also be recorded for use following the livestream.

"We had such strong allies and local organizations who came together to organize this, because they knew this was important and they weren't going to just leave the planning entirely on the shoulders of Indigenous people," said Patrick. "That's why I was so supportive of becoming involved. The community has been working on it for months, including Tracy Laut (Family Wellness), Bev Toews (Olds High Academic Coach) and other people from the Chinook's Edge team.

"I've been so impressed by the efforts of this team, who are determined to work together to share knowledge with our schools. I'm also proud of the resilience of our community, which has been in a healing process in the last weeks (following the recent news coming from the former residential school in Kamloops). We just want people to enjoy the day and the presenters, and celebrate our people!"



National Indigenous Peoples Day June 21, 2021
Celebrating First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples
With a **Virtual Event Launching Monday, June 21st**
*at 9:00 am (MT) on www.NIPDOlds.com

The Town of Olds is on the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 Region of Alberta which includes the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Piikani, and Kainai First Nations), as well as the Tsuut'ina First Nation and the Stoney Nakoda Nations (Chiniki, Bearspaw and Wesley First Nations). This area is also home to the Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3.

We are all Treaty People.

Town of **OLDS** | **OLDS COLLEGE** | **Olds United Church Chic & Billie Miller Endowment Fund** | **OLDS Institute** | **Metis Nation of Alberta**

CHINOOK'S EDGE School Division No. 73 | **Larry Wright Private Donation** | **Dan Rochette Private Donation** | **Holy Trinity Catholic School** | **Canada**

To support those hit hardest due to the pandemic and other challenges, please donate to your local food bank if you're able to.

Lively Learning Commons exhibit

Grade 1 students at Spruce View School created their own museum in the Learning Commons, with items from home that are important to them and their families. The exhibit quickly became a hit attraction and included a silver dollar, boots that have been handed down through two generations so far, and a picture of a grandfather's truck. Students were so captivated, the grandfather's truck was brought to the school for students to see first-hand!

