



## Wyatt Community Weekly Wire

October 26 – 30, 2026

Issue 7

### Early Dismissal

Please be reminded that **Tuesday, October 27th** is an early dismissal day. All schools across the division will be ending the school day one hour early at **2:30 p.m.** to accommodate staff meetings.

We kindly ask that you make arrangements for a timely pick-up of your child(ren) at dismissal. Your cooperation helps ensure a smooth and safe end to the school day for everyone.

### PD Day

There will be **no school** on **Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**. Our staff will be engaged in professional learning. In addition, our school gym will also be used as an election site.

### Halloween 2026

Each grade group team is coordinating its classroom Halloween activities to provide students with a consistent experience. Some classrooms will focus on dressing in the traditional Halloween colours of orange and black, while others may permit students to wear simple costumes that are comfortable and appropriate for school. Teachers will share specific details and expectations directly with families.



Where costumes are permitted, masks, violent or gory costumes, and weapon-like accessories will not be allowed. For safety, costumes must not cover students' faces or make it difficult to move safely throughout the school, especially on stairs. **Due to dietary needs and allergies, we ask families not to send food for the class on this day.** Families may wish to send an extra snack with their child(ren) instead.

Included below is important information and a selection of articles and videos shared with classroom teachers that parents and caregivers may also find helpful regarding culture and costumes.

### My Culture is Not a Costume

Halloween is an exciting time of year, for many. For people whose cultures are caricatured and appropriated, it can be a difficult time. As educators, we must prevent harm by engaging students in critical conversations about cultural appropriation, stereotypes and caricature versus culture.

This is supported by the [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action](#), Action #63 iii - Building student capacity for intercultural understanding, empathy, and mutual respect.

"Indigenous" costumes stereotype, misrepresent, disrespect, and dehumanize Indigenous peoples.

Here are some resources that you may find helpful to use with staff or students:

- [The Fine Line Between Cultural Appropriation and Cultural Diffusion](#) (LRSD Indigenous Education Portal-Blog Post)
- [#IAmNotACostume](#) (video)
- [Cultural Appreciation vs. Appropriation with Rosanna Deerchild](#)(CBC-video)
- [Teen Vogue-My Culture is NOT a Costume](#) (LRSD Indigenous Education Portal- video)

## **FREE Flu & COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic**

Protect yourself and your community this season. No appointment needed, just drop in. Everyone is welcome.

Thursday, Nov. 12 | 3:00–7:00 p.m. | René Deleurme Centre

Working Together for a Safer, Healthier School!

**WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL**

Help keep all our students safe!

Kind Choices Brighter Days

OUR SCHOOL

Safe Students Stronger Together!

**NO NUTS AT SCHOOL**

To keep our students safe, nuts and all nut products are not allowed anywhere on school grounds.

**WHY?**

Some of our students have severe nut allergies.

Even a small amount can cause a serious reaction.

We want everyone to feel safe, included and healthy.

A nut free environment helps protect our school community.

**COMMON FOODS TO AVOID**

**Peanuts**  
(and peanut butter)

**Tree nuts**  
(e.g., almonds, cashews, walnuts, pistachios)

**Nut butters**  
(e.g., almond butter, cashew butter)

**Trail mix**  
(often contains nuts)

**Snacks with nuts**  
(e.g., granola bars, chocolate with nuts)

**Baked goods**  
(e.g., cookies, cakes, muffins with nuts)

**WHAT CAN YOU DO?**

**Check food labels**  
before packing lunches and snacks.

**Choose nut free options**  
when shopping for school.

**Remind family and caregivers**  
about our nut free practices.

**THANK YOU!**

Your support helps us keep our school a safe and welcoming place for every student!

Together We Learn, Grow and Belong!

RESPECT ♥ KINDNESS ♥ SAFETY ♥ BELONGING

2026/27

LOUIS RIEL  
SCHOOL DIVISION

# POWWOW CLUB

Open to all LRSD families.  
No experience needed.

## CLUB DATES

October: 21  
November: 4, 18  
December: 2, 16  
January: 13, 27  
February: 10, 24  
March: 10  
April: 14, 28  
May: 5, 12, 19, 26

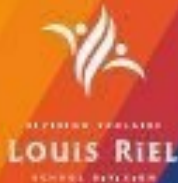
## LRSD Graduation Powwow

June 2, 2027

René Deleurme Centre  
511 St. Anne's Road  
Wednesdays  
6:00-7:30 pm

## REGISTER NOW

and be entered  
in a draw to  
win a Fresh  
Food Box!



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## Week at a Glance

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| <b>Monday, October 26, 2026</b><br><b>Day 3</b>    | <p>Recorder Ensemble – Music room at lunch</p> <p>Volleyball Practice @ lunch. Games after school</p> |
| <b>Tuesday, October 27, 2026</b><br><b>Day 4</b>   | <p>Choir at Lunch Sopranos</p> <p>Early Dismissal – 2:30 p.m.</p>                                     |
| <b>Wednesday, October 28, 2026</b><br><b>Day 5</b> | <p>No School – PD Day</p>                                                                             |
| <b>Thursday, October 29, 2026</b><br><b>Day 6</b>  | <p>Room 27, 28 Field Trip CMHR</p> <p>Choir at Lunch - Altos</p> <p>Volleyball Practice @ Lunch</p>   |
| <b>Friday, October 30, 2026</b><br><b>Day 1</b>    | <p>Recorder Ensemble – Music room @ lunch</p> <p>Meals2Go Delivery</p>                                |

## Upcoming Important Dates:

### November

- Sunday, November 8th - Indigenous Veterans Day
- Wednesday, November 11th - Remembrance Day – No Classes
- Thursday, November 19th – Report Cards available
- Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> Early Dismissal – 2:30 p.m. /Term 1 Conferences – more details coming
- Friday, November 27th – PD Day – No Classes

**Powwow Club – November 4 & 18**