

Student Role Models for January



Latisha— Gr. 11
Lake Babine Nation
“She is a strong role-model for younger students by virtue of her positive lifestyle, near perfect attendance, and continued success in school, particularly in her writing ability.”



Keleley— Gr. 12
Binche Whut'en
“She is always kind to all classmates and teachers. She is always on task and works hard towards her goals. She has no problem asking for help and is very focused on graduation.”



Annika— Gr. 12
Metis
“Consistently high grades. Interest in learning about science, excellent work ethic, participation in class discussion, happy, gentle nature.”



Kaitlyn— Gr. 12
Saddle Lake
“She leads a healthy lifestyle and achieves honour roll with distinction and maintained excellent attendance while working 2 part time jobs through the pandemic. She is kind and respectful. We can always count on her to greet us with a smile.”

Resilience in the Warrior's Cry

Hear the aches of resilience in the warrior's cry
Stood last sunset for generations dreams, hold fast
In your spirit, carry the drum to know where ancestors lie.

Descendants from war-torn battle born; peace still try
Every breath comes hope for the future, do not forget the past
Hear the ache of resilience in the warrior's cry.

Teaching engraved in our hearts, so your spirit may fly
Memories of a life once lived, persevere to last
In your spirit, carry the drum to know where ancestors lie.

Though laws and decrees are the battle now; society holds a blind eye
It's the same war centuries cast
Hear the ache of resilience in the warrior's cry.

Once waded in the water, walk with heads held high
Embers soon ignite the flick of a flame, grasp
In your spirit, carry the drum to know where ancestors lie.

The future promises tears will dry
Prayers will soon prove steadfast
Hear the ache of resilience in the warrior's cry
In your spirit, carry the drum to know where ancestors lie.

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Lake Babine Nation, Student Role Model



Helpful Resources and Links

- [Library and Archives Canada- Louis Riel](#)
- [The Canadian Encyclopedia - Louis Riel](#)
- [Library and Archives Canada- About the Métis Nation](#)
- [Canadian Geographic - Indigenous Peoples Atlas of Canada - Métis](#)
- [Métis Nation British Columbia](#)
- [Resources, Culture and Program- Louis Riel Institute](#)
- [Metis Nation British Columbia- Education Resources](#)
- [Rupert's Land Institute Metis Center of Excellence](#)

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Did you know?

Manitoba celebrates Louis Riel Day on the third Monday in February?

Louis Riel Day is a name that was suggested by Manitoba school students, in honour of Louis Riel, the political leader of the Métis people of the Canadian Prairies and regarded as the Father of Manitoba.

He led two resistant movements against the government of Canada seeking to defend Métis and was executed after being convicted for high treason in November 1885.

In 2008, Louis Riel's sash was given to the Manitoba's people and was on display at the St. Boniface Museum in Winnipeg. Read this [story](#) to learn how it got there! Learn more about the meaning of the sash at the [Louis Riel Institute](#).

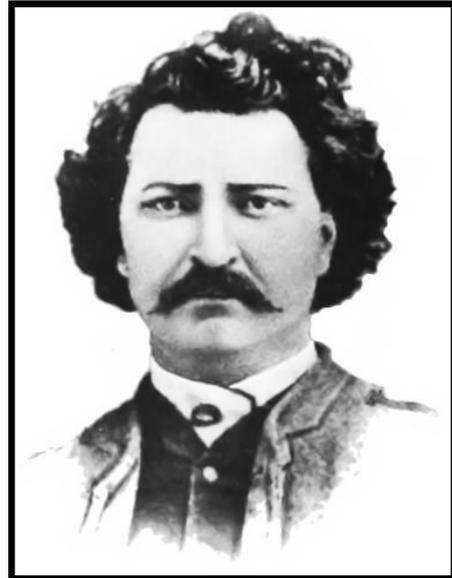


District Principals Message

Hadi,

This month we honour the Metis people of our country and the Metis families in our communities. The Metis have a long, proud history in Canada that is built upon a unique and beautiful culture. How much do each of us know about the Metis people of Canada? I have been on a journey for the past 3 years to learn more about our cousins. Every journey in Indigenous education in this country can begin with simple questions. I asked the president of the Metis Nation of BC to define who they are and from there have been building on my own personal knowledge so that I may better serve my community. It will take small steps by each of us to move forward collectively.

Leona Prince



SD91 is Now Hiring!

SD 91 has Aboriginal Worker/Homeschool Coordinator and Language and Culture Teacher positions available in Burns Lake, Granisle and Vanderhoof!

If you are interested in joining our team for casual or regular positions please check out our external [job postings here](#) and apply. Please contact cupejobs@sd91.bc.ca if you have any questions