



Fernwood Elementary School
150 Fernwood Road, Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 1C5
Aboriginal Education Plan 2018-2019



Strategy	When	Who	Resources
Development of personalized learning plans and individual tracking of support	Sept and ongoing	Shannon Johnston	At lunch, admin time
Training for all Teachers, EA's, Admin Assistant in development of Personalized Learning Plans, and Individual tracking systems of supports	Sept	Shannon Johnston Liis Graham	Internal
Development of comprehensive Personalized Learning Plans for all Aboriginal students incorporating cultural background, interests, learning goals. This will be completed in consultation with parents and Teachers.	Sept/Oct	Shannon Johnston Quentin Harris Liis Graham	Internal
Pizza lunch to all Ab Ed students to learn more about personalized learning plans and celebrate culture and identity	Sept 25th	Shannon Johnston Quentin Harris	\$100
Orange Shirt Day - residential schools curriculum focus	Sept 24 & 25	All staff	Book Bin purchased and available in staff room; shirt order
Monthly Visits with Aboriginal Artist and Cultural Advisor	Year long	Quentin Harris	District Ab Ed funding
Monthly cultural event with District Aboriginal Coordinator	Year long	Shannon Johnston	
Use of Aboriginal literature and SD64 Resource bins in class and school wide. Bimonthly district wide rotation of resources.	Ongoing	All staff	District Ab Ed resources (books etc)
Use of literacy resources to support the Aboriginal Education cross curriculum priorities. -Aboriginal Novel Study -Quality Picture Books -Big Books Incorporation of Aboriginal texts and language/culture into the teaching of the new MOE Curriculum	Spring	All staff	
Local land knowledge and conservancy stewardship programs	September, October, May and June	All teachers Salt Spring Island Conservancy	
Carving with Aboriginal Artist and Cultural Advisor - grade 4/5 classes	January - May	Quentin Harris Melissa Hingston Andrew McPhee	Artist in Classrooms funding

Field trips to Xwaaqu'um (Burgoyne Bay) - traditional rope making techniques and in depth study of nettles	October	Alison Bain Erika Verlinden Parent volunteers Joe Akerman	District bus
Participation in District Wide Aboriginal Education Day- Gr 4/5 students	Spring (May)	Shannon Johnston Grade 4/5 Teachers	Bus
PALS Literacy Program with StrongStart and Primary Class – series of 3		Liis Graham	
Whole school cultural awareness program focused on Aboriginal cultures. Celebration of reconciliation and National Aboriginal Day (June 21) with a whole school event incorporating learning activities, community involvement, arts and sport activities.	Spring 2019 June 21	Shannon Johnston	
Local land knowledge and conservancy stewardship programs.	ongoing	Nature classes All Classes	
Focus on First Peoples Principles of Learning and land based experiential learning.	Year long	Nature classes	

