



SASIWAANS LANGUAGE IMMERSION SCHOOL



Mkwa-Giizis -February 2014

Parent Committee



Are you interested in what your children's school is doing? Would you like to be involved? Well, once again, here's an opportunity to sign up for the parent committee. You can discuss fundraisers, make them happen!! Field trips, share your ideas with us!! To put your name on the list just call Rhonda 989-775-4470 or email her at RHOQuigno@sagchip.org



Important Numbers

- ALRD Main office
775-4026
- Sasiwaans
775-4470
- Isabelle Osawamick
– Language
Outreach Specialist
775-4110
- Saginaw Chippewa
Academy
775-4453

BUS DRIVERS

- Mister Terry
330-9345
- Miss Terry
330-5574
- Miss Stephanie
330-3278
- Miss Gidget
330-0782



Bad Weather – Niiskaadat

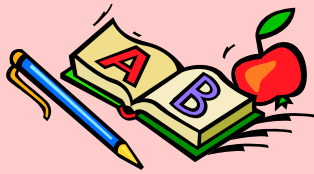


Michigan weather is so unpredictable.

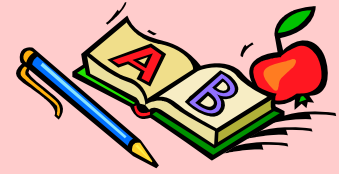
Sasiwaans is still reminding you to PLEASE send extra clothes to school with your child, on a weekly basis **WITH** their names on each pair of clothing (i.e. shoes, socks, coats, shirts, pants, underwear, backpack).

Valentines Day

Parents!!! Don't forget to send your child in with those cute little valentine cards. Each of the Classes are having a Valentines Day Party. There will be a list of students in your child's class coming home. February 13th. Snacks are welcomed!!



The Benefits of Learning a Second Language



Enough [research](#) has been done over a long enough period of time to show there is absolutely a significant life-long benefit for children who learn a second, or even third, language at a very young age. Universities like Oxford, [Cornell](#) and Cambridge have done intensive studies, and their conclusions are all in alignment. Bilingual children experience greater academic success, self-confidence and cultural sensitivity throughout their lives.

According to the [Language League](#), there are the "5 C's" of early language learning. They are: **capture the critical period, craft cognitive skills, cultivate self-confidence, celebrate cultural understanding and create a world of possibility.**

Research shows the ideal time to learn a second language is from birth to about age 10 or 12. A child's brain is still developing language skills at a young age and will literally create "more room" to support the second language as it develops.

A study conducted at the [Cornell Language Acquisition Lab \(CLAL\)](#), concluded children who learn a second language can maintain attention despite outside stimuli better than children who know only one language. This is the skill needed for a person to be able to achieve goals in the presence of distraction, which is important throughout many aspects of academic success.

Parents are increasingly realizing the benefit their children can reap from the exposure to other languages and cultures. "We've added the second language classes to our summer program for school age children too," Jacobson said. "The need is great, and the time is now, while they are still young."

Combine all of the research and reports and the outcome is similar. Any newly acquired skill, like the mastery of a second language, will bring about a feeling of self-confidence and pride, especially if a child has mastered a skill his parent does not have. This adds to the spirit of independence and even empowerment. Socially, fluency in another language allows children to be more open and understanding to other cultures. And, academically, learning a second language will ensure a competitive edge in the global marketplace of his or her future.

Higher Test Scores: Many reports over the years have shown that children who have studied a foreign language achieve higher scores on standardized tests than their peers who have not. A 2007 report by the College Board indicates that those who studied a foreign language for 4 years or more scored higher on the SAT than students who had only studied a second language for half a year or less.

Better Reading Skills: According to research conducted at York University in Canada, bilingual children have an advantage in learning to read. Their broader experience of language helps them advance their reading skills.

Brain Boost: According to the New York Times, the regular use of two languages makes the brain sharper and more efficient. This regular exercise of the mind gives the brain many cognitive benefits and makes it work more efficiently.

More Confidence: There's a saying that children soak up information like a sponge. When it comes to learning a new language, most children absorb information rather quickly and naturally. This boost of knowledge may spark their curiosity to broaden their horizons, learn other languages or discover other parts of the world.

Native-Like Accent: Early exposure to a foreign language can do wonders for developing a natural-sounding accent. Children have a special sensitivity to deciphering differences in tone and sound, and thus can duplicate sounds that adults have a hard time picking up.

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Anish-na-be-mo-win Classes

Tuesday's and Thursday's
from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Afternoon Classes on Wednesday's
from 12noon – 1:00 p.m.

As an Incentive; every time you ([the Parent/Guardian of a Sasiwaans student](#)) attend

Words your Child is Hearing/ Saying

Zaagidwin

Zaah-gid-win

Love

GZaagin

Gi-zaah-gin

I love you

GZaagin binoojiinhs

Gi-zaah-gin Bi-noo-jeanhs

I love you Baby

Pane GZaagin

Pah-nay- gzaagin

I always love you

Gbaashkinmin

Gi-baah-sh-kin-min

I like you

N'baashkinman

Ni-baah-sh-kin-ma

I like him/her

Jiimshin

Jeemshin

Kiss me

Giichipiitendaagwas

Gii-chi-pee-ten-daah-gwas

You are Special

Wiidookweshin

Wee-doe-kwayoshin

Play with me,

Nwiijkiiyenh

Ni-weech-key-yenh

my friend

Aabtoo Jiinshin

Ahb-toe Jean-shin

Give me a hug

Nba-zi-gim

Ni-ba-zi-gim

My Sweet heart

ii= have a long ee sound as in feet

J= ch sound as in Cheat

g= has a hard sound as in Get

enh- nasally sound

Relatives– (Nawendwin) Miinwaa Occupations(Enkijjik)

Mommy



gashi

Daddy



Noos (NO-ss)

Parents



Gitziimak

Grandpa



Mishoomis

Grandma



Nookmis

Auntie(s)



nzigos(isag)

Son



gwis

daughter



daanis

Uncle



n'zhishenh

Chief



Gimaa

Police



Tkonwe-nini

Nurse



Aakzii-kwe

Doctor



Mshkikii-ninikwe

Dentist



Wiiabdaake-nini

Teacher



eknoomaaget

Student



eskoonwit

Secretary



Zhibiige-kwe

Photographer



emzinaasiged

Musician



Mdwewechge-nini

Road Worker



Miiknaake-nini

Carpenter



Mookdaaso-Nini

Baker



epkweshkaniked

Artist



Meznibiiget

Painter



ezhezhoosgaget

Farmer



Ktige-nini

Barber



Moozhwe-nini

Soldier



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Mkwa Giizis- February 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
3)	4)	5)	6)
10)	11) <i>9:00 Margaret's Class-Library</i>	12) <i>10:30 Ed's Class Library</i>	13) Valentines Day Party
17) No School Presidents Day	18)	19) <i>9:30 Danita's Class Library</i> <i>10:30 Ed's Class Gym</i>	20)
24)	25) <i>9:00 Margaret's Class-Library</i>	26) <i>10:30 Ed's Class Library</i>	27)
			

Attention Parents!!

There may come a time when we at Sasiwaans will need your help. Bus Aides for example!!

In order for anyone to volunteer their services with Children, Elders, or anything to do with Zhoonyaa we all need a Background check! If you're interested come see Rhonda at the front desk and she will give you the correct paperwork



Mkwa Gizi

February 2014

Sasiwaans Breakfast & Lunch

<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>
<p>3) Breakfast- Cold cereal, cereal bar, pineapple, choice of milk</p> <p>WG French Toast, hashbrown, scrambled eggs, OJ, choice of milk</p>	<p>4) Breakfast- Oatmeal, applesauce, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Turkey corn dogs, mixed veggies, peaches, choice of milk</p>	<p>5) Breakfast-WG Pancakes, fruit cocktail, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Chicken nuggets, French fries, pineapple, choice of milk</p>	<p>6) Breakfast- Oatmeal, peaches, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Goulash, WG roll w/ jelly, dark green salad w/ ranch, fruit cocktail choice of milk</p>
<p>10) Breakfast-WG French toast, pineapple, choice of milk</p> <p>WG breaded chicken sammich, tator tots, broccoli, oranges, choice of milk</p>	<p>11) Breakfast- Oatmeal, fruit cocktail, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- soft beef taco, on a WG tortilla, refried beans, applesauce, choice of milk</p>	<p>12) Breakfast- Egg & Cheese omelet, toast w/jelly, OJ, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch-Meatballs in sauce, brown rice, mixed veggies, WG dinner roll, peaches choice of milk</p>	<p>13) Breakfast- oatmeal, peaches, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Grilled cheese, tomato soup, carrots w/ ranch, pineapple, choice of milk</p>
<p>17) No School Presidents Day</p>	<p>18) Breakfast- Oatmeal, applesauce, choice of milk,</p> <p>Lunch- Hot ham & Cheese on WG Bagel, sweet potato fries, pineapple, choice of milk</p>	<p>19) Breakfast- WG Pancakes, oranges, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Spaghetti, garlic bread, salad w/ranch, fruit, choice of milk</p>	<p>20) Breakfast- Oatmeal, peaches, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- WG French toast, hash-brown, scrambled eggs, OJ and choice of milk</p>
<p>24) Breakfast- WG French Toast, fruit cocktail, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Sloppy joes, sweet potato fries, pineapple, choice of milk</p>	<p>25) Breakfast- Oatmeal, applesauce, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Turkey Taco salad, WG rice, refried beans, grapes, choice of milk</p>	<p>26) Breakfast- egg & cheese omelet, toast w/ jelly, OJ, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch-Mac n Cheese, cucumbers w/ ranch, applesauce, choice of milk</p>	<p>27) Breakfast- Oatmeal, peaches, choice of milk</p> <p>Lunch- Chicken nuggets, tater tots, peas, mandarin oranges, choice of milk.</p>



Breakfast \$1.00 Lunch \$2.25 for the whole week \$13.00 that's \$52.00 for this month