***OUR LANGUAGES* IN OUR COMMUNITY**

Please post these where they are visible in the home as a helpful reminder each day

# Outcomes from the Curriculum

* possible actions taken by your child

# What I saw/heard my child do

**Language Revitalization**

**in our**

**Community**



# Recognize that learning a language requires effort:

* When people speak I try and understand something.
* When the weather is on the radio I listen.

# Set simple language learning goals with support:

* I ask my parents for my snack in my language.
* I phoned a relative who is fluent and asked them to speak with me.

# Recognize that my language is connected to community and cultural activities

* I was at a community activity where the language was being used.
* I noticed that the prayer we learned at school was used at a community event.

# Choose activities and resources that are in the language when choice is available (videos, games, books)

* I took a book from the library that was in my language.
* I used the language app at home with my sibling/parent.

# Identify and practice common community expressions (sayings, chants, songs, greetings, playground games)

* I greeted someone in our language at the store.
* I learned a new expression and taught my friends.

# Play in my language (repeatedly request a story, song, game, chant)

* I taught my friend a song I learned at school.
* When we play tag we count in my language.
* I set up a pretend store and my friends and I bought stuff using the words we learned.

*You and your child will play a key role in keeping our languages alive.*

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**LET’S WORK TOGETHER…**

**IF YOU ARE A SPEAKER YOURSELF**

* **Speak your language at home on a regular basis**
* **Engage your child in your language during household activities such as dinner time**
* **Remember to speak slowly**

**LEARNING LANGUAGE TAKES UNDERSTANDING**

* **Learners might be shy or nervous**
* **Learners might be extra tired and hungry at the end of a day at school**
* **Learners might become frustrated and act out**

**IF YOU ARE JUST STARTING TO LEARN YOUR LANGUAGE**

* **Encourage your child to act as your teacher and language guide**
* **Be curious and excited with your child**
* **Ask them to teach you phrases and sentences**

PUT SCHOOL

LOGO

HERE

**Mársı | Kinanāskomitin | Thank you | Merci | Hąį’ | Quana | Qujannamiik| Quyanainni | Másı | Máhsı | Mahsı̀**

**They will be receiving instruction for several hours each week and hope they will be practicing and using our language at home and in the community even more.**

**Your child will play**

**a key role…**

**If you would like more information please contact the school. At parent-teacher interviews we look forward to hearing about the actions you’ve noticed in your child’s language development.**

**Thank you, (in your language)**

***Principal Signature***

**This year all schools across the NWT are in the second year piloting the new *Our Languages* curriculum. This curriculum was written with language speakers from every region.**

**Hello…**