November: Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month Opportunities for Staff and Students

November is Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month at KPR. Click to learn more.

Date	Focus	Notes
ALL Month	Indigenous Excellence and Innovation Kits Throughout November Indigenous Education Consultants will be visiting schools to lead workshops using the Indigenous Excellence and Innovation kits. If you wish to host a workshop on Indigenous Excellence and Innovation, please contact your school's Indigenous Education Consultant.	Indigenous Education Consultants: Brittiny Stephenson (Clarington Schools) Marjolaine Lapointe (Peterborough Schools) Marilyn Robitaille (Northumberland Schools)
November 3 - 9	Treaties Recognition Week in Ontario In response to the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, in 2016 the province of Ontario declared the first week of November as Treaties Recognition Week. It is a time to learn about treaties and reflect on their impacts on all of Ontario citizens.	Treaty resources have been sent to all schools. Educators are invited to use the resources in conjunction with the November Passport to Reconciliation: Treaties. These are Treaty Week Announcements Treaty Week Announcements
November 5	Anishinaabemowin Teacher PD	Elementary and Secondary Indigenous Language teachers are coming together

		at the Education Center for professional learning.
November 7	International Inuit Day Celebrate Inuit people and amplify their voices.	Everyone is invited to celebrate the day by engaging with these films that include learning plans. International Inuit Day Films
November 8	National Indigenous Veterans Day Annually, on November 8th we celebrate and honour Indigenous Veterans. Over 12,000 Indigenous people are estimated to have volunteered in all three wars, including 7,000 First Nations members, and approximately 300 died during these conflicts.	Educational resources will be shared with schools before National Indigenous Veterans Day to support in-class learning.
November 10- 16	Rock Your Mocs Week Rock Your Mocs Week is a worldwide movement for Indigenous people to show their cultural pride. The focus is to have a positive opportunity to celebrate Indigenous identity and individuality. All members of the KPRDSB community are invited to wear their moccasins to work and school.	Everyone in the system is invited to wear their moccasins. A poster about the day will be shared on Edsby. ISWs and IGCs will make moccasin key chains with students they support. Click here to learn more about Rock Your Mocs Week.
November 16	Louis Riel Day	Raising of the Métis Flag at

	Louis Riel Day is held every year on November 16 across the Métis homelands. November 16 is the anniversary of Riel's execution in 1885. During that year, Riel led Métis people in the Northwest Resistance. "Today, the strength of the Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) is a testament to the courage of our ancestors."	the Education Center 8:30 am. Educators are invited to honour the day with these resources: Louis Riel quotes posters Who are the Métis? (video) Métis Nation of Ontario resources
November 21	UNDRIP Lunch & Learn	Central staff are invited to join the Indigenous Education Department in a Lunch & Learn about The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People.
November 28	Grade 11 NBE Teachers and English Department Leads Professional Development	This professional department led by the Indigenous Education Department and the NBE Refresh Team will support all secondary schools with approaches to NBE and a refreshed toolkit.
November 29	KPR Indigenous Education LookBook The LookBook celebrates the work staff and schools are doing across the system.	2024-2025 LookBook The department will share the 2024-2025 LookBook on Edsby for viewing.