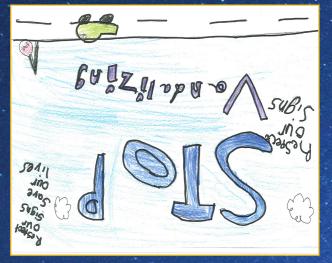
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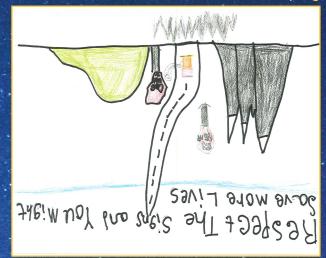
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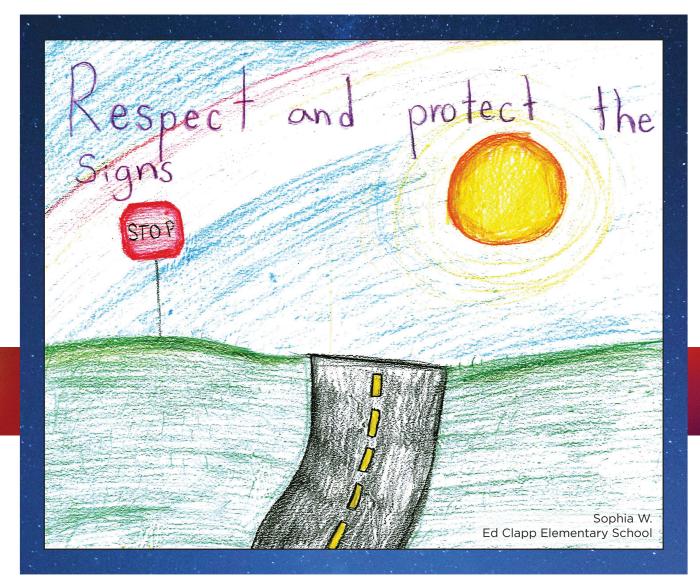


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Go easy on them. Ma naa ji'idiwin



Honor yourself, the Creator, family, community, and all of life. Waohola





TRIBAL SIGN WARRIOR

2021-2022

The North Dakota Local Technical Assistance Program (NDLTAP) asked me to spearhead this year's sign protection awareness program utilizing 4th grade students from native schools across North Dakota. I contacted educators and asked them to have their 4th graders submit drawings using the theme "RESPECT" that would provide important visual cues to drivers about how road signs protect and save lives.

A "Tribal Sign Warrior" cartoon superhero encourages 4th grade youth to focus on the four major dangers to North Dakota road signs: shooting, stealing, graffiti, and other damage. Young artists help us illustrate the dangers and the efforts of the Tribal Sign Warrior to protect the state's signs. With the help of NDLTAP, ND Western Liaison Matt Johnson and Dennis Houle, an artist from the Turtle Mountain Reservation, we chose the 16 drawings featured in the 2021-22 Tribal Sign Warrior calendar to be distributed across the state.

"THE WARRIOR, for us, is one who sacrifices himself for the good of others. His task is to take care of the elderly, the defenseless, those who cannot provide for themselves, and above all, the children — the future of humanity."

(Sitting Bull, Hunkpapa Lakota)

For the Anishinabe being a warrior includes not only being a protector but a provider. Men and women fill this role by protecting families, language, guarding the culture and traditions, providing food, shelter, education/teachings, healing, and protecting the ones that have no voice - the land our resources. Being a warrior is more than just going into battle. It is also being able to keep the peace and following the values In anne amette that were given to us by the Creator.

Tribal Liaison



Red = Urgent message to pay attention to, such as stop and do not enter **Yellow** = Permanent hazard areas, such as crosswalks and traffic lights Black and white = Motorist advisories, such as speed limit or one-way streets **Blue** = Less urgent information, such as a rest stop or dining Green = Travel information, such as a freeway exit number or street name **Orange** = Temporary hazard area, such as road work and construction

Sign shape also plays an important role in capturing drivers' attention. Sign shapes and their messages include:

- Diamond = Curve ahead
- **Square** = Caution
- **Rectangle** = Speed limit
- **Circle** = Railroad crossing
- Octagon = Stop sign

Thanks to the 4th grade students who participated in our poster contest. Your efforts make this calendar possible and bring out the sign warrior in all of us. These new fourth grade superheroes are helping to get us all home safely every day. Way to go!





















Aabita niibino Giizis – Midsummer Moon Wasuton Wi - Moon of the Harvest

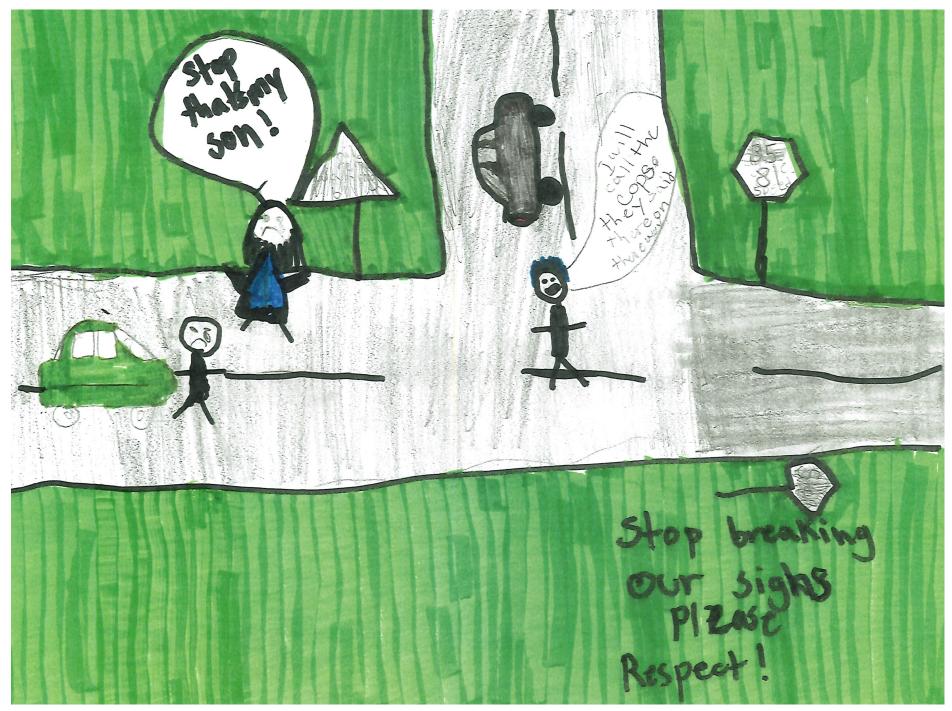
The 8th moon is when the trees have come awake, producing their leaves. Life itself is awake and dancing, because the summer stage is here. A time of continued nurturance for all of Creation, when everything is new and growing fast. The berry stage – it is here that the growth from summer has come to ripen. It is the time of harvest.

August 2022

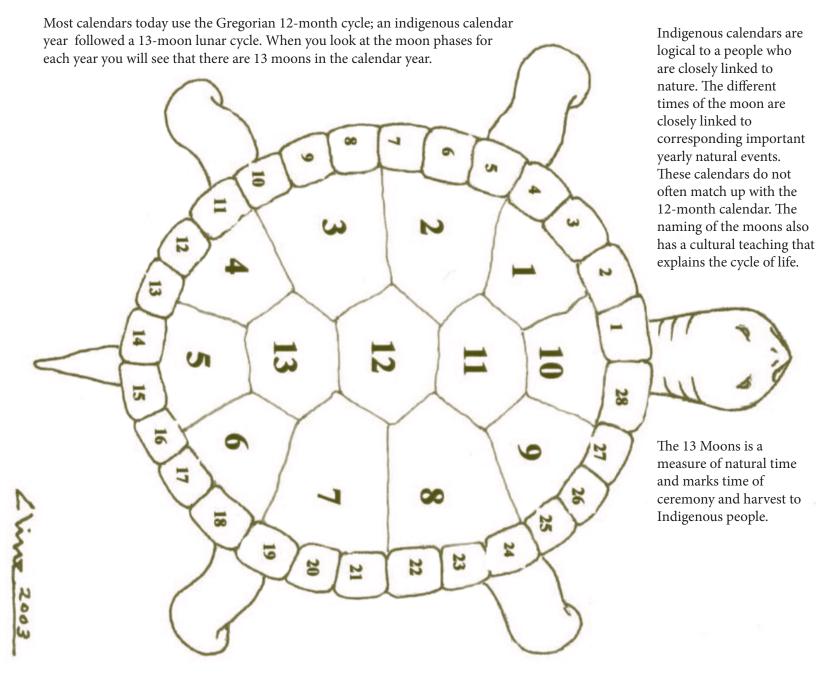


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... means taking care of the earth for the generations to come.



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The Anishinabe sees on a turtle's back the pattern of scales which establishes the combination of numbers that define the lunar calendar cycle. The circle of scales that surround the edge add up to 28 – the number of days that comprise the lunar cycle (28 days from full moon to full moon). The center of the shell has a pattern of thirteen larger scales which represent the 13 moons of the lunar calendar.



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Maacu Aru?dodi Mirish – Moon of Many Berries Miskomiini Giizis – Raspberry Moon Canpasapa Wi – Moon When the Berries are Ripe

The 7th moon is when great changes begin and a time that is most sacred. Learning to be gentle and kind, so we may pass through the thorns of life and harvest its fruit.

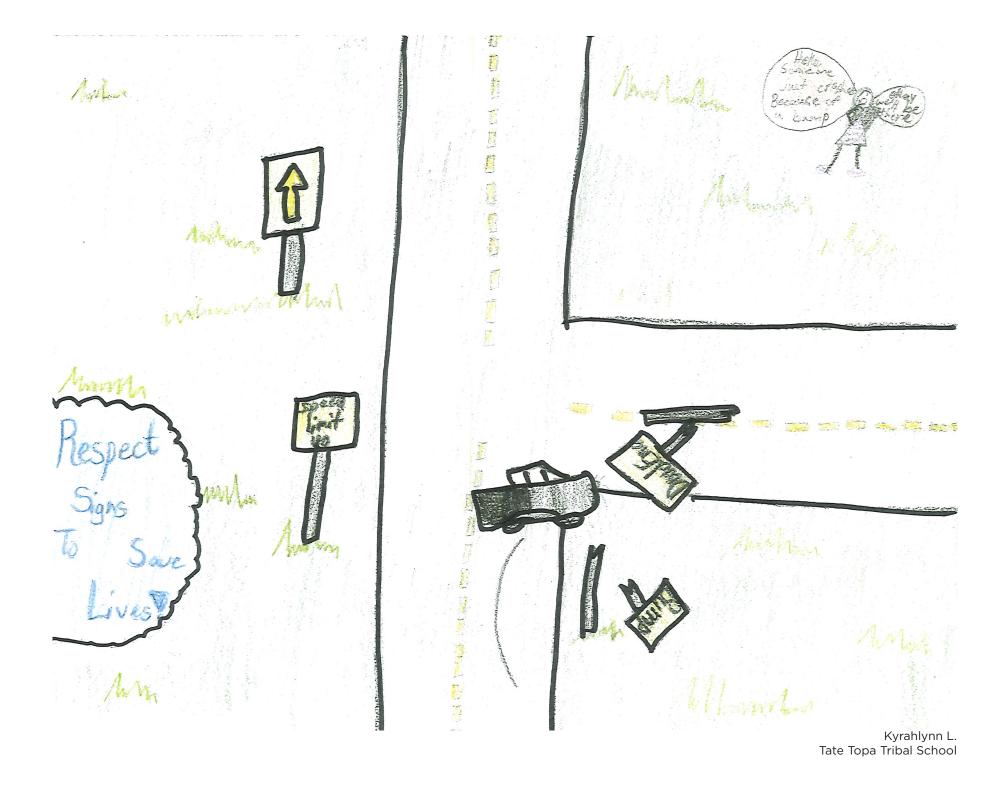
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means always treating all
with kindness and love. Never
look down on anyone.
Remember to carry yourself
in a good way.

RESPECT

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Maajirúa Mirish – Harvesting Moon Manoominike Giizis – Wildrice Harvest Moon Canwapegi Wi – Moon of Brown Leaves

MONDAY

Full Moon

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The 9th moon is the time of harvesting. Wild rice is a food of great historical, spiritual, and cultural importance and has sustained the Anishinabe people for hundreds of years. Gathering of crops prepares the people for the coming winter months.

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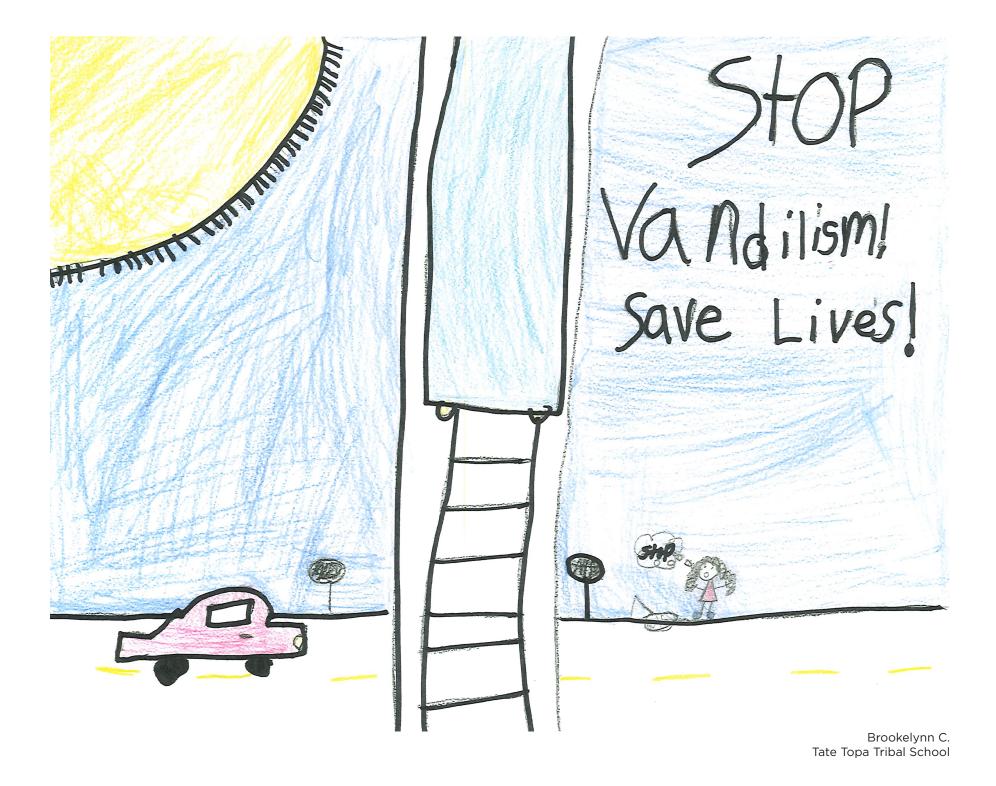
things, not only people and animals, but also of cultures, religions, governments, laws and rules, and gender differences.

September 2021

SATURDAY

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Máacu Aruragabagi Mirish - Moon When Berries Comes Out Ode'miini Giizis - Strawberry Moon (Let's Speak Our Heart) Wipazuka Waste Wi - The Moon of Good Berries

In the 6th moon, the medicine is reconciliation; a time to let go of past differences, judgement and self-righteousness. The strawberry is the first to ripen and is medicine for the heart and teeth. The berries are fresh and tasty.

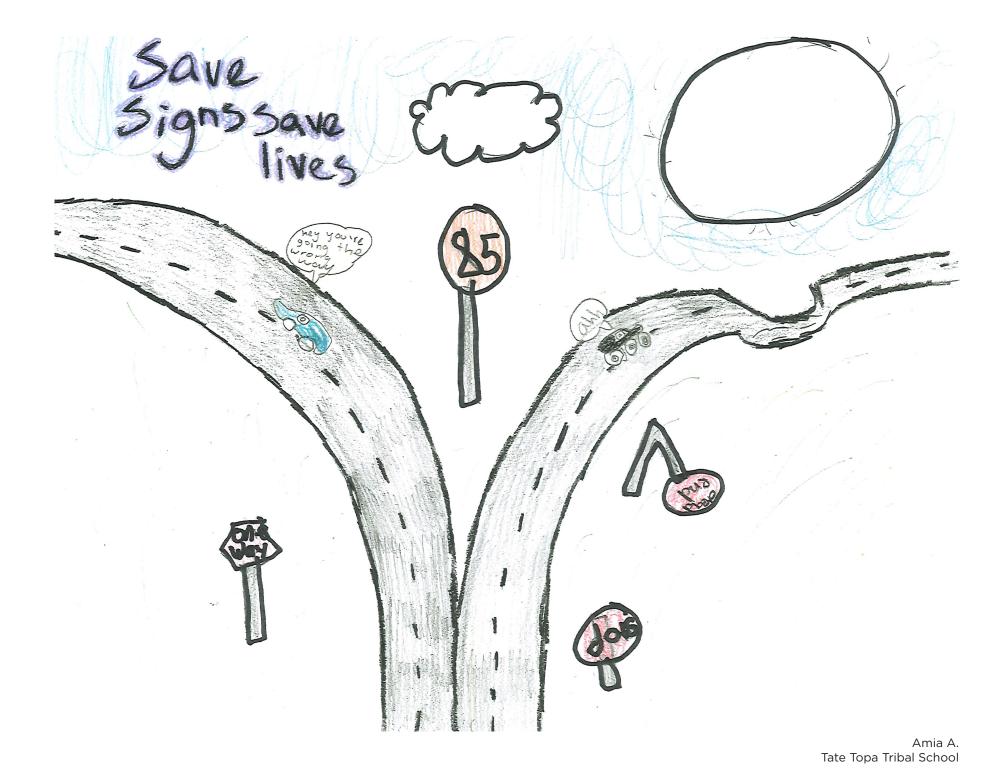
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RESPECT

... to know how to give and always placing others before yourself.

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Miráabu Xiiri Mirish – Moon of the Falling Leaves Waatebagaa Giizis – Color Changing Moon Canwapekasna Wi – Moon When the Wind Shakes Off Leaves

The 10th moon of the year is when leaves are changing. It's a time when Mother Earth is honored with the grandest colors. We become aware of all the miracles of creation before us and our spiritual energies are once again awakened.

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RESPECT

... means taking action to protect the dignity, individuality, and rights of others.



Levi O. Tate Topa Tribal School

Icúu Washga Arugibáshgu Mirish – Moon When One Begins to Sow Zaagibagaa Giizis – Budding Moon Wojupi Wi – Moon When Leaves Turn Green

A time of rebirth, the 5th moon is where all the plants display their spirits for all the world to see. This life giving energy is one of the most powerful healing medicine of the earth. During this moon, one is encouraged to explore their spiritual essences.

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Respect is basic to human
well-being that in its absence,
people don't thrive. Respect
for human beings entails the
granting, preserving, and
protecting of their rights.

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Miráaba Aruháaci Mirish – Moon When the River Freezes Gashkadino Giizis – Freezing Over Moon or Binaakwi Giizis – Falling Leaves Moon Waniyatu Wi – Moon of Starting Winter

The 11th and 12th moons are times when every creature prepares for winter. The people look to the spiritual path and learning sacred searchings.

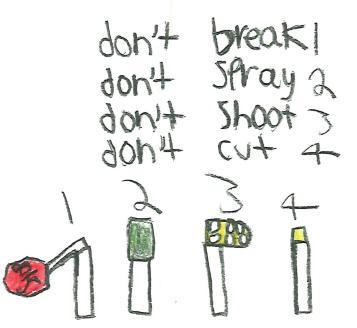
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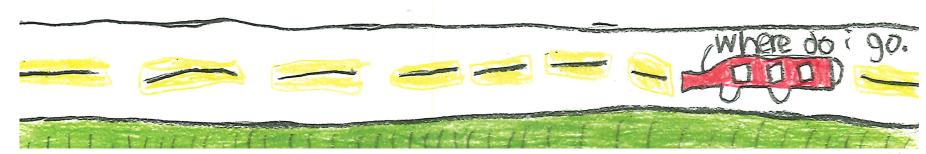
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... is to honor the Elders and the leaders who uphold the sacred laws of the Creator.

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you should keep in Mind.



Josiah T. Tate Topa Tribal School

Awa Aru Póo Shee Mirish - Moon of the Breaking Up of Ice Ishigamizigi Giizis - Maple Sap Boiling Moon Magzksicaagli Wi - Moon When Ducks Come Back

Female animals at this time are carrying their babies and they are at their largest. This is also the time when one of our main medicines, the maple sap, begins to run. It balances our blood and heals us.

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RESPECT

To show Respect for others... Listen to what others have to say giving evidence that they matter.

Serve.

April 2022

Be Kind.

Be Polite.

Be Thankful.



Jaycob S. Tate Topa Tribal School

Máara Mabixúuba ?ihdia Mirish – Moon of the Little Cold Manidoo Giizisoons – Little Spirit Moon Tahecapsun Wi – Moon of Shedding Horns

The 13th moon's cold temperatures and blistering winds bring a time of healing. We receive both vision and good health to walk our paths with purest of intentions. We share positive energies with our families and friends.

December 2021

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RESPECT

Honor all creation through feelings of deep admiration for someone or something which was elicited by their abilities, qualities, achievements.



Paris T. Tate Topa Tribal School

Mirée Arugi Báadagi Mirish – Moon of the Sore Eyes Onaabani Giizis – Hard Crust on the Snow Moon Istawicayazan Wi – Moon of Snow Blindness/Sore Eyes

A firm crust on the snow gave easy access to all manner of bogs, swamps, lakes, and forests, which gives us access to many medicines. This will be much harder to access after the spring thaw. But the sun rays banking off the hard snow will blind us.

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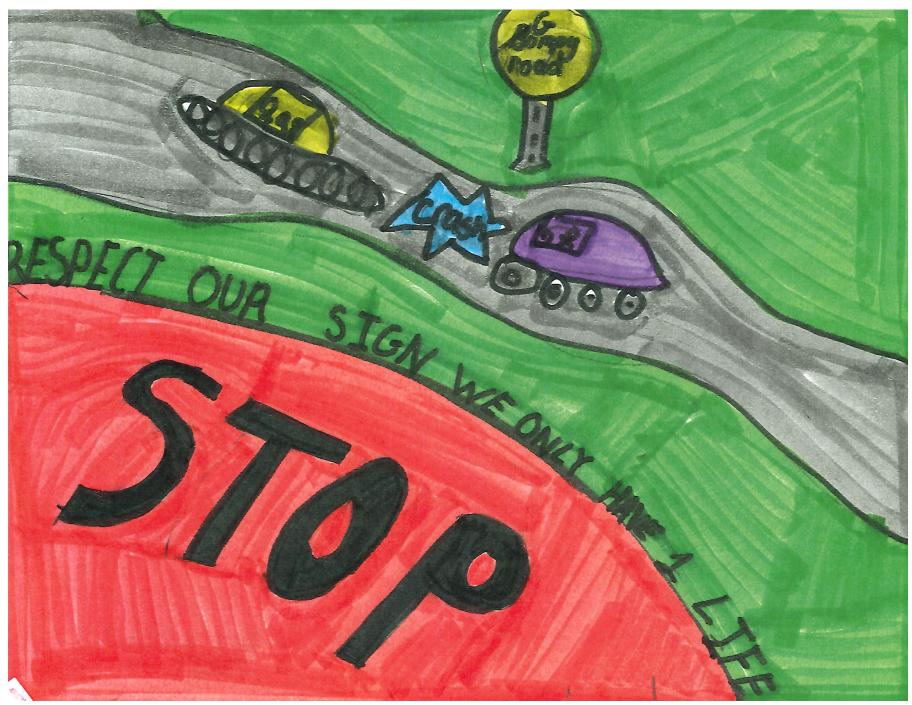
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If you wish to be respected, you must give respect.

RESPECT

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Jordan M. Tate Topa Tribal School

Awa Arugi Hahgi Mirish – Moon of the Seven Cold Days Gichimanidoo Giizis – Great Spirit Moon Wiotekika Wi – Moon of Hard Times

The 1st moon is manifested through the Northern Lights. A time to honor silence and realize our place in the universe. This is a time of many difficulties; food is scarce and weather is fierce, but the people prevail.

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RESPECT

To honor all Creation is to have respect, therefore, all Creations should be treated with respect.



Kaycee M. Tate Topa Tribal School

Mirá Arashagi Mirish – Wolf Rut Moon Namebini Giizis – Sucker Moon Cannapopa Wi – Moon When Trees Crack from the Cold

Sucker gave his life for the Anishinabe during this time of bitter cold when the snow and ice make the trees crack. It is the hardest time of the year to find food because game is scarce.

February 2022

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