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Letter to Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of Grades 2 and 3 Students

Date: ____/____/____

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Fire has always been an important symbol in First Nations Culture. It brings warmth and has significant spiritual meaning. It can bring new growth, but it can also bring destruction and devastation. An element as important as this requires the utmost respect and care. It also requires careful instruction around its use and dangers.

This year our school will be teaching your children a fire safety program, that has been developed by First Nations Technical Services Advisory Group Inc. called **TSAG Fire Keepers**. The **TSAG Fire Keepers** initiative was created to continue to bring awareness and education to youth about the importance of Fire Safety, in and around their home and community. Themes and subject matter for Grades 2 and 3 are as follows:

- November:** **Fire Facts:** Elements of the fire triangle, combustible, flammable and explosive materials and storage, the dangers of smoke
- December:** **Holiday Safety:** Bannock making **OR** cooking/holiday safety tips
- January:** **It's a New Year:** STOP, DROP AND ROLL, Crawling low in fires, Fire Escape behaviors and plan, reporting emergency
- February:** **Family and Community:** Fire and burn hazards, preventing fires and burns, dangers of electrical appliances, fire prevention
- March:** **Fire Heroes:** What their gear is for and what they do to help the community
- April:** **Fire Protection:** how to prevent burns, major and minor burns, treating minor burns
- May:** **Sun, Sun, Summertime:** Outdoor activities that are hazardous to children and the environment, how to stay safe in the Summer

We will be encouraging the students to share what they learn with you and our hope is that you are able to use some of the information they share to make your home more secure and fire safe.

I appreciate your assistance with their learnings,

_____(teacher)