

Summer Student Highlights

Meet Alexis (Lexi) Jadis, a member of Abegweit First Nation, who has been working at Seagull Bakery & Café since it opened in October 2025. Lexi started part-time before quickly moving into a full-time role, a great fit for both her and store owner Sarah-Ellen Clark. In fact, Lexi was Sarah-Ellen's very first hire!

Lexi, who heads into Grade 12 at Charlottetown Rural High School this fall, works the service counter, restocks supplies, and even jumps in to help with baking when the team is short-staffed. She works four days a week and plans to stay on part-time through the school year. Her favourite part of the job is talking with people from all over and making recommendations (her top pick is the chocolate chip cookie!)

Store owner Sarah-Ellen speaks highly of Lexi as a star worker who's always eager to learn. Lexi can open the shop on her own, and the team trusts her to handle anything that comes up. She has a knack for knowing what needs to be done and what guests want, before anyone has to ask.

Sarah-Ellen is grateful for the chance to share her love of food and people while mentoring young employees like Lexi, and with the Seagull located so close to Abegweit First Nation, our employment counsellor, Linda, sees this as the start of a long-lasting, mutually beneficial partnership. After graduation, Lexi hopes to pursue a career in Social Work. Her family has fostered children for years and seeing that impact firsthand has inspired her to want to help others in the same way.



Sarah-Ellen & Lexi Jadis

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Yvette & Taite

As summer winds down, we want to celebrate some of the amazing students in our MCPEI Employment Services Program.

Our employment counsellors work to place Indigenous students in high-quality, culturally appropriate, and meaningful summer jobs.

Meet Taite Wooldridge, a member of Abegweit First Nation. Since June, Taite has been working at the Indigenous PEI Store in Charlottetown, where he greets and connects with customers from all over the world, works the cash, takes inventory, and takes product photos — his favourite part of the job!

Taite, who heads into Grade 10 this fall, is Indigenous PEI's youngest employee. He works alongside some of his cousins, under the guidance of store manager Yvette McKenna, who speaks highly of his work ethic, reliability, sense of humour and personability with customers. Thank you to Yvette for welcoming Taite into our Summer Student Employment Series, congrats to Taite on a job well done, and a big thank you to our Employment Counsellor Linda for a great match!

Abegweit Summer Camp - RCMP



PEI RCMP were so fortunate to be asked to meet up with kids and youth from Abegweit First Nation during their summer camp. Our Police Dog Services team with Corporal Pearce and NYTRO were there, our Forensic Identification Services specialists gave the kids some cool lessons about finger prints and boot prints, and our Recruiting Team did some fun games and colouring with everyone.

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Health Updates

Women's Group

Creativity was in full bloom at this month's Women's Group gatherings. Participants explored their artistic side during a paint session, crafted beautiful mason jar lanterns, and designed stunning flower bouquets to take home. These sessions offered a wonderful opportunity for women to relax, connect, and enjoy time together while creating something uniquely their own.



Little Buds

Our Little Buds stayed busy with hands-on learning and creativity this month. The group enjoyed making personalized stepping stones, giving each participant a special keepsake. They also took part in a Healthy Snack Education Session led by Dietitian Melody Swan and Dietetic Intern Gabby, where families learned practical tips for building nutritious snacks and encouraging healthy eating habits from a young age.



Maternal Wellness

Nurse Julie welcomed participants to a Maternal Wellness gathering centered on supporting health and well-being throughout every stage of motherhood. The morning featured a nourishing breakfast, educational resources, and meaningful conversation about maternal wellness, self-care, and available supports. The session provided a welcoming space for sharing experiences, asking questions, and building community connections.



Elder Bingo & Immunization Awareness

Good spirits, friendly competition, and great company made for another successful Elder Bingo event. Alongside several exciting rounds of bingo, participants received information about immunizations available through the Health Centre. Nurse Krista was on hand to answer questions and review immunization needs, helping Elders stay informed and up to date with their healthcare.

Special Olympics PEI

Prior to leaving for the Special Olympics Canada Summer Games Medicine Hat 2026, at the Send-Off, Chief Gould of Abegweit First Nation gifted Team PEI a beautiful beaded medallion as a blessing and symbol of unity.

The design represents the Four Directions and is created in traditional Mi'kmaq colours. Throughout the Games, this medallion will be passed from sport to sport and shared during significant moments as a reminder of respect, connection, strength, and the responsibility we carry as one team.

"May it inspire us to compete with pride, support one another, and honour the spirit in which it was given" says Matthew McNally, Team PEI Chef de Mission

They were very appreciative of Chief Gould for coming and believing in the power of inclusive sport.

