



The Abegweit Update

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ABEGWEIT FIRST NATION

KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY INFORMED

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CHIEF'S MESSAGE



As your Chief, I would like to remind you that your leadership is determined to keeping the entire community's wellness our top priority during these unprecedented times. Everyone's strength and resolve in these times has been admirable and we shall continue to keep each other, our loved ones, and our entire community healthy and safe.

CERB & SEASONAL WORKERS ON PEI

For any of our seasonal workers, if you're on EI and it has run out, you can apply for the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB). Once you start a new job, this benefit must be cut off. This benefit **has to be reapplied to for each month** you are on it. For more information or to apply, visit canada.ca or call Linda Fraser at 902-940-3869

EPEKWITK GARDENS & PRESERVES



Epekwitk Gardens & Preserves has been busy planting the community garden at Abegweit First Nation located behind the band office.

The garden is used to educate, create awareness, and grow fresh vegetables for the Wellness Centre, Early Childhood Centre, and Youth Employment Programs hosted in the community.

The garden is for community members to plant, harvest and enjoy. If you are interested in having your very own garden plot please contact the garden team at candrews@mcpei.ca.

Stay tuned on dates and times for community harvest pick-ups in Scotchfort, Rocky Point, and Morrell Reserve!

COVID-19 & OUR COMMUNITY



Accessing Help

If you believe that you are developing COVID-19 symptoms:

1. Use the online tool (if you can) at <https://assessment.princeedwardisland.ca>
2. Please call 8-1-1

Only by calling 811 will you be able to access the proper screening and receive direction from provincial health services.

Abegweit Office Opening

The Abegweit administration office reopened on July 6th, but we have the following in place:

- Anyone entering the office will be asked a set of screening questions;
- Hand sanitizer is provided for all upon entering the building;
- 6ft social distancing measures are in place;
- Masks can be worn, but are not required; and
- Access to the offices is being limited (people cannot simply enter the office and walk about as they please during this time).

Abegweit Staff - New Policy Updates

We have recently undergone a period of reviewing and updating the HR and band policies which have gone into effect as of April 1, 2020. These changes reflect upon the pandemic and clarify things such as sick time specific to COVID-19. If you have questions on how things are being handled, please speak to your director.

REZ BINGO

Your Chief's Rez Bingo continues on the evening of July 9th! Join us on Facebook live to play!

Let us know if you need cards and good luck to all!

