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Content Note: The following message discusses the First Nations Child and Family Services and Jordan's Principle Settlement. Please proceed in whatever way feels right for you.

Dear Seabird Island Community Members,

We are sharing this update to support community members who may be affected by the First Nations Child and Family Services (FNCFS) and Jordan's Principle Settlement.

As we begin, we want to acknowledge that this information and the application process itself may bring up difficult emotions, including grief, anger, or unexpected memories. We recognize that revisiting experiences of removal can be painful. Your reactions are valid, and you are not alone as you navigate them. If you need support at any point, we encourage you to reach out to our Health and/or Child and Family Teams or connect with someone you trust in your circle of support.

Claims and Eligibility

Two claim classes are now open for applications. Claims can be submitted until **March 10, 2028**, or **three years after reaching the age of majority**, whichever is later.

Removed Child Class

This class supports First Nations children and youth who were removed from their homes between April 1, 1991 and March 31, 2022 by a child welfare agency while residing on-reserve or living in the Yukon.

Removed Child Family Class

The class supports Caregiving Parents and Caregiving Grandparents of a child who was removed from their home between April 1, 1991, and March 31, 2022.

Seabird Information and Claim Support Sessions

To support our members, Seabird will be hosting Information and Claim Support Sessions. These sessions are open to anyone who wants:

- More information about the settlement or the application process
- Support with completing an application, or
- Emotional, cultural, and wellness supports while navigating the process.

Health and wellness team members, along with cultural, traditional, and other support resources, will be available at each session.

The first clinic will be held **March 24th from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM** at the Mill Hall, with dinner at 5:30 PM.

For more information on the settlement or application process can be found at fnchildclaims.ca or by speaking to a Claims Helper at **1-833-852-0755**.

For Seabird support, you can contact Daniel Point at Daniel.Point@seabirdisland.ca.

We will continue to provide updates as the remaining seven claim classes open for applications.