



DECEMBER DINO NEWS

Dr. K. A. Clark Public School

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Respectfully acknowledging that we are situated on Treaty 8 territory,
traditional lands of First Nations and Métis People.

Strongly
committed to
providing a safe,
enjoyable learning
environment that fosters
within children an attitude
of responsibility, respect
and caring and leads to a
desire to be lifelong
learners.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Dino Families,

As we head into the holiday season, we would like to take this time to acknowledge the hard work of our families and staff as we continue to navigate the pandemic together. While restrictions may limit our ability to celebrate as we have in the past, it is important to spend time with family and friends. We encourage everyone to take time to do the things you enjoy most and recharge your batteries.

We are very excited for our holiday concert this year as the focus will be celebrations from around the world. Ms. Wood, our music teacher, is working with all classes to prepare a celebration that better represents the diversity that is present at Dr. Clark. The class presentations will be recorded and a video will be shared on social media for families to enjoy. We know everyone will be working incredibly hard on this and are super excited to see our students perform.

If you are traveling during the break, please travel safe. We can't wait to see you back for the start of 2022. As always, If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out through either dcinfo@fmps.ab.ca or by calling the school at (780) 743-2444.

Take care,
Mark Dolmont
Principal



REMINDERS

- All visitors to the school need to wear a mask. Please refer to the Alberta Health Daily Checklist [HERE](#)
- Please drop off lunches at the office before 12:30pm
 - We are a PEANUT & TREE NUT FREE school
- To review student academic progress & attendance go to Parent Portal [HERE](#)
- Monitor your child's school bus [HERE](#)



ABSENCES and LATES

Regular attendance is critical for school success. Both excused and unexcused absences negatively impact learning.

If your child is going to be absent or late please contact the school at 780-743-244 or via email at dcinfo@fmps.ab.ca



SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Our winter plant fundraiser raised \$555.88.

Thank you for our support!!

Plants will be available for pickup on December 9th and 10th,
watch your email for more info.

We are looking for volunteers to fill casino slots on February 20th and 21st.

This is our biggest source of income so if you can help out please go to
<http://bit.ly/DCcasino> to sign-up.

By supporting our fundraising
committee you are supporting our students. Thank you!

The next School Council/Fundraising Committee Meeting will be held via Zoom on
Monday, January 24, 2022 @ 7:15pm. All are welcome!!

NUMERACY PUZZLE

Fill each empty box with the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8, using each digit only once, to match the given sums of the rows, columns and diagonals.

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| 7 | | | 10 |
| a | b | c | |
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Answer: b-1, c-2, d-4, g-3, h-8, i-5

PARKING LOT DOs & DON'Ts

- DO - Park in assigned parking spots only
- DO - Use the sidewalks
- DO - Drop students off at the front of the Kiss & Drop lane
- DO - Follow directions of staff supervisors
- DO - Give busses the right of way
- DO - Watch for pedestrians
- DO - Be courteous to other drivers
- DON'T - Park/stop in unmarked spots
- DON'T - Park in the Kiss & Drop lane
- DON'T - Forget to be courteous



UPCOMING DATES

Dec 02: Hat & Crazy Hair Day
Dec 02: Parent-Teacher
Dec 03: No School (PLF)
Dec 13: Plaid, Red or Green Day
Dec 14: Ugly Sweater Day



Dec 15: Holiday Character Day
Dec 16: PJ Day
Dec 17: No School (PLF)
Dec 20-Dec 31: Winter Break
Jan 04: First Day for 2022

FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS, INUIT

This month, students participated in Metis Week. All of our Grade 5 students received a gift from Métis Local along with a video lesson plan and storyboard activity. Students really enjoyed learning about Louis Riel and making a comic strip about his life. During Métis Week, all staff and students participated in Rock Your Mocs, which was very successful!



MCMURRAY
MÉTIS



This month, our sacred teaching is about the Bear and the lesson of the bear's courage. Students in Early Learning, Division One and Division Two participated in learning about this sacred teaching.

*The **bear** carries the gift of **courage***

LITERACY MOMENT

Reading Tips for the Winter Break!:

1. **Read for fun!** Winter break provides the perfect opportunity to set aside school books and read for fun.
2. Stock up on books at the local library.
3. Turn travel time into literacy time. Read street signs, look for letters on license plates.
4. Create a new tradition. Start a special Winter Break Story Time can be a new tradition that links reading with happy memories.



MENTAL HEALTH MOMENT

You can help your child learn how to stay positive in different situations and to feel hopeful about the future. Optimism helps all of us! These activities focus on seeing the good in situations.

Gratitude Moment

Four Finger Affirmation

Kindness Jar

Notice the Positive



A LITTLE BIT OF FUN

What do December, January, and February have in common?

Where do snowmen go dancing?

What do skiers and the Earth have in common?



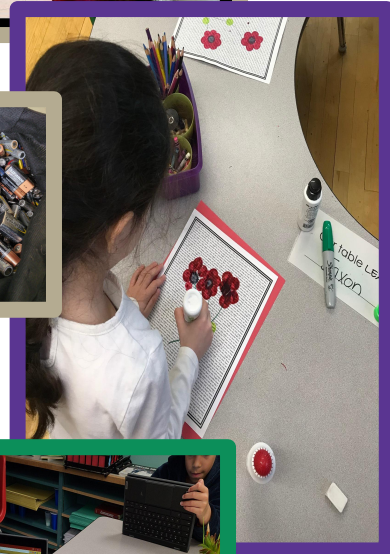
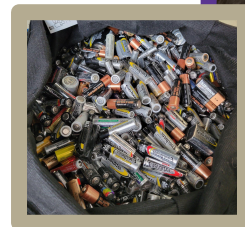
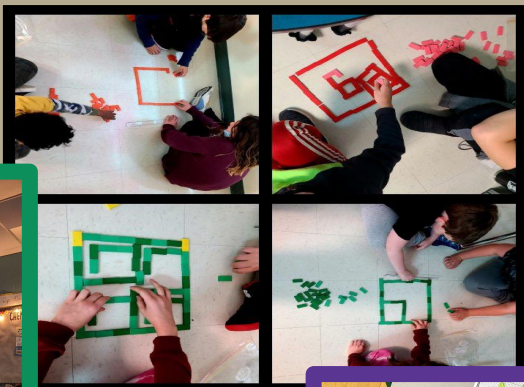
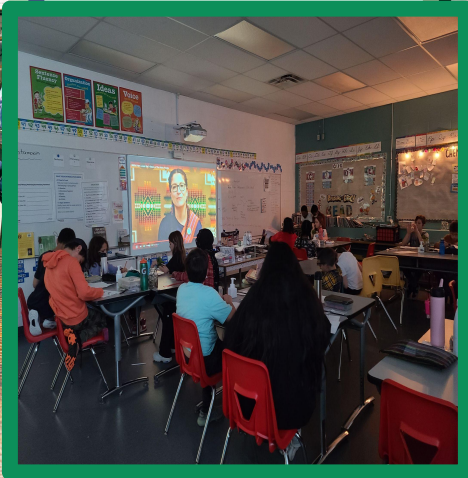
The letter R - The Snow Ball - They have 2 poles

What do you get when you mix a snowman and a vampire?

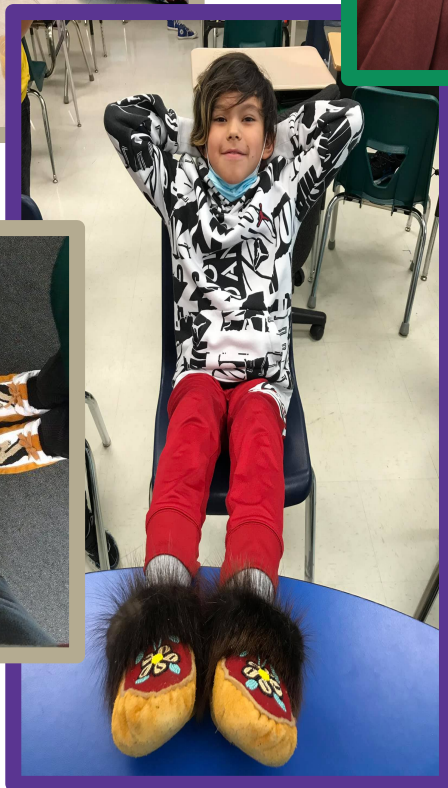
Why are polar bears always itchy?

What happens when a baby snowman has a temper tantrum?

Frostbite - Because of Arctics - they have a meltdown



DINO SCRAPBOOK



Check us out on:

