



JANUARY DINO NEWS

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



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Dino Families,

We would like to welcome everyone back for the start of 2022. We hope you had a restful break and the opportunity to spend time with family.

As we get back in the swing of things it is a great time to provide some friendly reminders which help to keep the school operating smoothly. First off, we want to thank families for following COVID-19 protocols and keeping children home if they are sick. If your child is going to be away from school please let the office know by leaving a message at (780) 743-2444 or emailing dcinfo@fmprsd.ab.ca. For students who are dropped off in the morning it is important to note that supervision does not start until 8:40 am and students should not be arriving before this time. We also continue to ask for your assistance with parking by only parking in assigned spaces and using the sidewalks where possible. It is important we model appropriate behaviours for our children and not cut across the parking lot as it is a safety concern.

To support our Dr. Clark families we are looking to develop a list of businesses that are owned and operated by Dr. Clark families. We would like to share this list with our school community and encourage families to support each other where possible. If you would like to include your business in the list please fill out the form found [HERE](#).

We are excited to have everyone back for 2022 and want to continue the great things that are happening at Dr. Clark. If you ever have any comments or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out to the school.

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@fmprsd.ab.ca



SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**



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

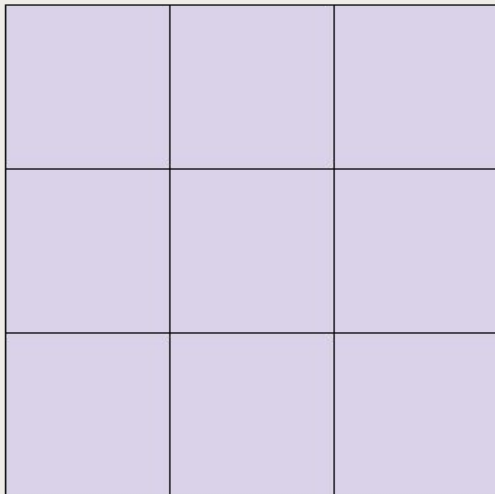
This is our biggest source of income so if you can help out please go to <http://bit.ly/DCcasino> to sign-up.

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

How many squares in all?



Answer: 14

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



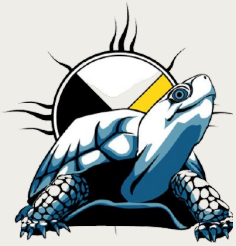
UPCOMING DATES

Jan 10: First Day for 2022
Jan 13: Reuse Spirit Day
Jan 14: PLF (No School)
Jan 27: Multicultural Spirit Day
Jan 28: PLF (No School)



Feb 17: Dress Like a Teacher Day
Feb 18: PLF (No School)
Feb 21: Family Day (No School)
Feb 28 to Mar 04: Teachers' Convention (No School)

FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS, INUIT



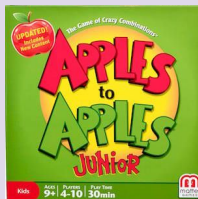
Next month, our sacred teaching is of the turtle. The turtle teaches us to be truthful and the history of turtle island.



With Full Circle Mentorship, we have already done some pre-learning activities. We painted ceramic turtles from Colour Me Mine. We then threaded leather through the turtles to make ornaments for the holidays. We also worked with beads and made bracelets. Lastly, we expanded our learning about the four medicinal plants and about the Indigenous Healing Gardens that we have in our playgrounds.

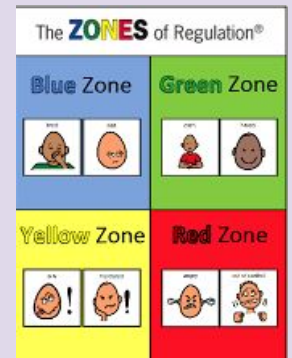
LITERACY MOMENT

Board games are a great way to practice literacy skills as a family. Below are some great games to try:



MENTAL HEALTH MOMENT

At our school one way we support our students' mental health is through helping them regulate their emotions. Two specific programs we use to do this are Zones of Regulation and WITS. To help our students return from the break, and to support them with the excessive energy they build up from so many indoor recesses in January, our teachers will especially be relying on these programs in the New Year. To learn more about these programs click on the images below:



A LITTLE BIT OF FUN

What do you call a nice ghost on a cold January night?

How do you scare a snowman?

How did Jack Frost get to work on New Year's Day?



What goes up and down but never moves?

What can you catch but not throw?

What lives in winter, dies in summer, and grows with its roots upward. What is it?

Gas-brrrr - You get a hairdryer! - By icicle

The temperature - A cold - An icicle



DINO SCRAPBOOK



Check us out on:

