



APRIL 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 are looking forward to spring with nicer weather and the end of indoor recesses. Dr. Clark Dinosaurs have been busy this month with multiple field trips for our students. Our Grade 5 and Grade 6 students headed skiing, while the Grade 3s went tubing at Vista Ridge. Our Grade 4s went bowling at The Alley along with our VIP/Skills students. We are so proud of all of our students who represented Dr. Clark in a positive way and we received numerous compliments on their behaviour. As part of our Indigenous education this month, Grade 6 students also went on a field trip to Metis Local to learn through experiential, outdoor learning.

We encourage all Grade 4 parents to complete the survey sent to them directly from Alberta Education and Grade 6 parents are reminded to complete their Grade 7 transition forms survey from Fort McMurray Public School Division. These forms help us as administrators plan accordingly for next school year. Thank you for your continued support and feel free to contact us at the school anytime.

Take care,
Mark Dolmont
Principal



REMINDERS

- Please refer to the Alberta Health Daily Checklist [HERE](#) to help keep our students and staff healthy.
- 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 780-743-2444 or via email at dcinfo@fmps.ab.ca



SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Dr. Clark School Fundraising Committee was very happy to provide the funds necessary for the grade 3 students to go tubing, the grade 4s to go bowling and the grade 5s and 6s to go skiing in March. The students and staff had an amazing time!! There will be a fun activity for the rest of the students soon!



To continue to support the students and staff of Dr. Clark the next fundraiser will be a Growing Smiles Spring Plant fundraiser. Choose from premium hanging baskets, veggies, herbs, patio planters, patio roses, and strawberry hanging baskets. Orders are due by April 15 and will be delivered on May 2 Go to bit.ly/SpringGrowingSmiles to place your order

The next School Council/Fundraising Committee Meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday, April 25, 2022 @ 7:15pm. All are welcome!!

NUMERACY PUZZLE

Olivia, Ava, James, and Lucas are searching for Easter Eggs. Use the clues below to figure out how many they found.

1. The 1st child found 20, the 2nd found 36, the 3rd found 45 and the 4th found 60.
2. The number of eggs James found is not divisible by 5.
3. Ava found three times as many eggs as Lucas.
4. Olivia's amount of eggs is divisible by 9.

Olivia 45, Ava 60, James 36, Lucas 20



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

Apr 01: PLF (No School)
Apr 04: Blue for Autism Awareness
Apr 08: Talent Show
Apr 11-18: Spring Break (No School)
Apr 29: PLF (No School)



May 03: Spring Photo Day
May 06: PLF (No School)
May 18: Gr. 6 ELA pt. A PAT
May 19: Hat & Sunglasses Day
May 20: No School

FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS, INUIT



This month our sacred grandfather teaching was the Beaver. The beaver teaches us wisdom!

Indigenous Drumming started up again for Grades 1 to 5 students with the return of former DC Counsellor Eileen Lucas and our partnership with the Wood Buffalo Regional Library Indigenous Coordinator, Terry Lin Fedorus.

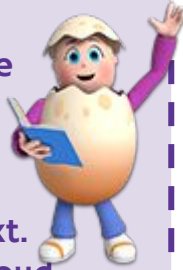


Grade 6 students got an amazing land based learning opportunity at Metis Local where they learned snowshoeing, storytelling and fish filleting.

LITERACY MOMENT

Did you know that grade 1 to 6 students at Dr. Clark school have access to Reading Eggs. The online program focuses on:

1. Phonemic awareness - The ability to hear and manipulate the different sounds in words.
2. Phonics - Recognizing the connection between letters and the sounds they make.
3. Vocabulary - Understanding the meaning of words, their definitions, and their context.
4. Reading Comprehension - Understand the meaning of text.
5. Fluency - The ability to read aloud with speed, understanding and accuracy.



Students can access both through [clever.com/in/fmpsd/student/portal](https://www.clever.com/in/fmpsd/student/portal)

MENTAL HEALTH MOMENT

Mental health is often impacted by the weather and temperature. Now that Spring is finally here, why not get outside. This will not only help you shake off some of the winter blues but provide an opportunity for family time. Some outdoor things to do as a family are:

- Take a walk in the woods
- Go on a bike ride on city trails
- Head to the park, a sports field, or sports court
- Participate in the community clean-up
- Watch the river break up from a safe location



A LITTLE BIT OF FUN

When do monkeys fall from the sky?
What goes up when April rain comes down?



Which April flowers grow on faces?
Why is April so popular for using a trampoline?

What did the tree say when April began?

What do you say when it's raining chickens and ducks in April?

During April Showers - An Umbrella - What a re-leaf

Two-tips - It's Spring-time - FOLL spring weather



Check us out on:

