



SEPTEMBER 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 an attitude of responsibility, respect & caring and leads to a desire to be lifelong learners.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Dino Families,

Welcome back to our returning families and new families. We are excited you are here! Dr. Clark's enrolment has increased so it is going to be a wonderful first few months of meeting new families and building strong relationships.

We have a number of new staff members joining our Dr. Clark Family as well, including admin, teachers, and many new education assistants. We are so happy to have them join us and we know it is going to be a busy and exciting year for all as they get to learn about Dr. Clark. Together we make a great team committed to serving the Dino community.

With the increased enrolment, we recognize that parking will be at a premium before and after school. We ask that everyone be patient in picking up and dropping off their children. We need to ensure that all of our children are kept safe during these very busy times. We all have schedules we need to keep but making sure children are safe takes precedence over a schedule. Thanks in advance for your patience.

We are looking forward to a fantastic Dino year.

Your admin team,
Bobbi Compton, Principal
Robert Skulsky, Vice Principal
Abbi Easton, Vice Principal



REMINDERS

- Morning Bells: 1st > 8:55am, 2nd > 9:00am
- Recess: 10:15-10:35am
- Lunch/PM Recess: 12:10-12:50pm
- Dismissal: 3:30pm
- Please drop off lunches before 12:10pm
- 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](#)



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

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 School Council and School Fundraising Committee are looking forward to another exciting year at Dr. K. A. Clark and with things returning to normal we are looking forward to more opportunities to participate in person. If you are interested in learning more about what our council/committee does, come to one of the meetings listed below or contact the president Jennifer Dahl at sidahlmail@gmail.com.



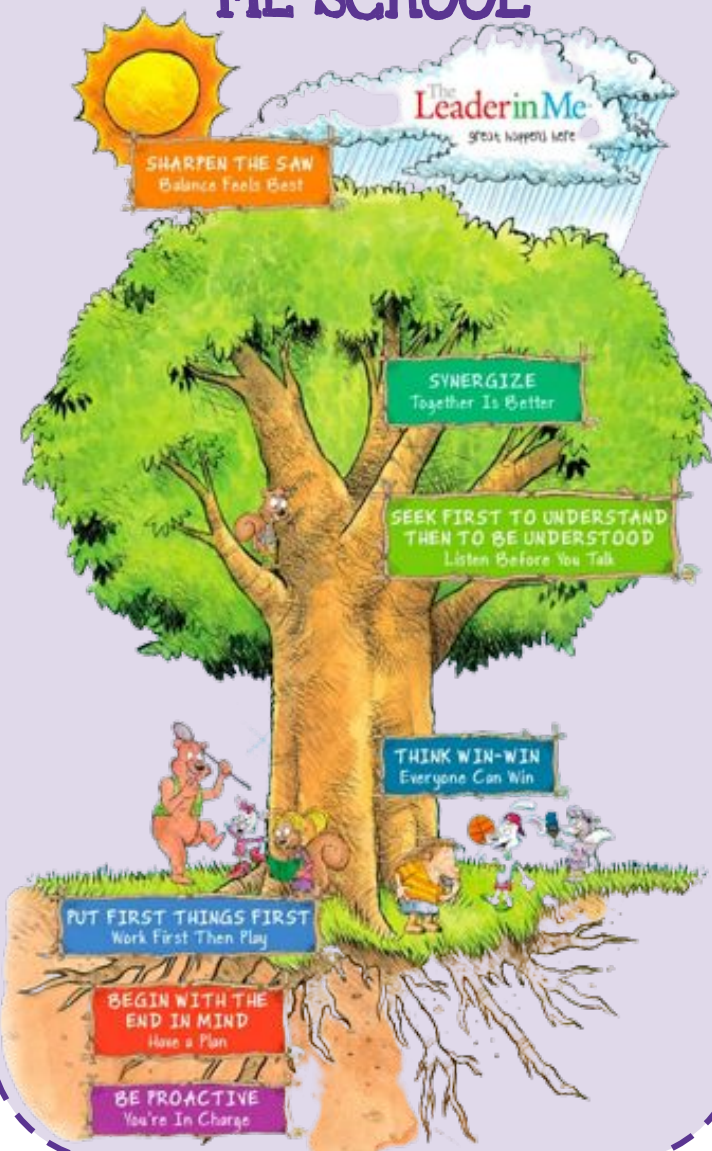
September 26, 2022
October 24, 2022
November 21, 2022
December 19, 2021

January 23, 2023
March 20, 2023
April 24, 2023
May 29, 2023



Lastly, Christmas is only 4 months away and the Fundraising Committee wants to bring back the traditional Holiday Gift Shop but need 2 parents to help organize! Please contact Jennifer Dahl at sidahlmail@gmail.com if you want to know more.

WE ARE A LEADER IN ME SCHOOL



MENTAL HEALTH TIPS

Check out the following websites to get some tips to support back to school mental health:

- www.albertahealthservices.ca
- kidsmindsmatter.com
- www.family.cmho.org
- kidshelpphone.ca
- www.anxietycanada.com



PARKING LOT DOs & DON'Ts

- DO - Park within parking stalls 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 bus lanes or through traffic areas
- DON'T - Park in the Kiss & Drop lane
- DON'T - Forget to be courteous





FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS, INUIT



We would like to acknowledge that we are on Treaty 8 Territory, a traditional meeting grounds, gathering place, and travelling route to the Cree, Dēnēsųłnē and Métis. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries. We are dedicated to honouring the intent and spirit of Treaty 8.



OUR TEACHERS THIS YEAR

Principal: Bobbi Compton Vice-Principal: Abbi Easton Vice Principal: Robert Skulsky

ECDP-K: Robyn Kuseler
ECDP-W: Robin Wemyss
KY: Jill Young
KZ: Wendy Bourgeau
IK: Shelley Dean
IL: Miranda King
IM: Katelyn Torraville
2K: Rod Gidge



2M: Taneille Haines-Reid
3K: Tania Lavallee
3L: Christine Littman
3M: Sandy Dhillon
4K: Courtney Robinson
4/5L: Sandy Houston
5K: Hilary Banks
6L: Tami Kane



6K: Jeff Medhurst
Skills: Tamara Lesage
VIP: Marsha Turpin
Music: Veronica Wood
PE: Alyssa Hennigar
Counselor: Lisa Doiron
LAC: Cathy Lloyd
III: Stephanie Harmer

We can't wait to introduce our amazing EAs and support staff in upcoming newsletters!

LITERACY MOMENT

Tips for building a reader at home:



1. Explore Books! Give your child an opportunity to explore books. Visiting a library or bookstore gives your child a chance to find books that interest them.
2. Read, Read, Read! Make sure your child reads at least 20 minutes per day on their own or with an adult!
3. Ask Questions! Engage with your child about what they read.



NUMERACY FUN

Which one does not belong? How many different ways can you answer?



UPCOMING DATES

Sept 6: All students back!
Sept 15: Dino Day (Purple/Green)
Sept 16: PLF (No School)
Sept 26: School Council Meeting
Sept 30: National Day of Truth & Reconciliation (No School)



Oct 7: Day in Lieu (No School)
Oct 10: Thanksgiving (No School)
Oct 21: PLF (No School)
Oct 28: ATA Institute (No School)
Oct 31: Halloween Parade