



# OCTOBER 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,

It's been an exciting and busy September. Our school has grown to 580+ students! We also welcomed new staff including teachers and Educational Assistants. Welcome all to Dr. Clark School!

Our September highlights included a family BBQ organized by our School Council and Fundraising Society. It was a fantastic evening and we appreciate all who came out. We also had our Terry Fox Walk and a welcome back assembly.

Our United Way Campaign will take place during October and we are looking forward to other activities getting started such as volleyball and Division 2 options. We are thankful for our staff volunteers and all they do to make these activities happen. We are also excited to bring back Leader In Me and monthly assemblies. Stay tuned to social media and emails for additional information.

Our doors are always open. Do not hesitate to come by, email or call if you have any questions or concerns.

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 [dc.absences@fmps.ab.ca](mailto:dc.absences@fmps.ab.ca) Please indicate student first & last name as well as grade & teacher.



# SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

THANK YOU to all parents and staff who prepared food, served, and cleaned up at our BBQ!  
It was a great event and is wonderful seeing everyone together!

All parents are welcome at our Fundraising Committee Annual General Meeting  
October 24th at 7:00pm which will be held via Zoom.



We would love for you to join to hear the latest  
updates about our school!



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89100915968?pwd=cndON3Y2dlhsNjE0YnIxOEEdUNDl6dz09>

Lastly, Christmas is only 3 months away and the Fundraising Committee wants to bring back the traditional Holiday Gift Shop but needs 2 parents to help organize! Please contact Jennifer Dahl at [sjdahlmail@gmail.com](mailto:sjdahlmail@gmail.com) if you want to know more.

## WE ARE A LEADER IN ME SCHOOL



When we are proactive, we are responsible for our own life and the choices we make. We understand that we have the freedom to choose based on principles rather than on moods or conditions.

Watch the Habit #1 story: Bored! Bored! Bored! at [youtu.be/aLI9D-FW7uI](https://youtu.be/aLI9D-FW7uI)

## MENTAL HEALTH TIPS

Positive motivation & perseverance skills can help students approach challenges in life with an optimistic mindset & remain hopeful even when their circumstances are difficult. Some strategies to help with this are:



- Expressing gratitude
- Perseverance
- Practising optimism
- Reframing

## 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



## HEALTHY SCHOOLS



Check out the latest Apple  
Schools Newsletter [HERE](#)



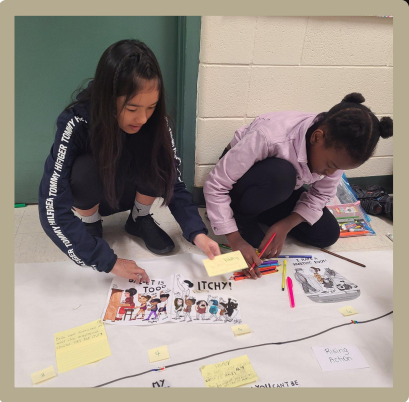
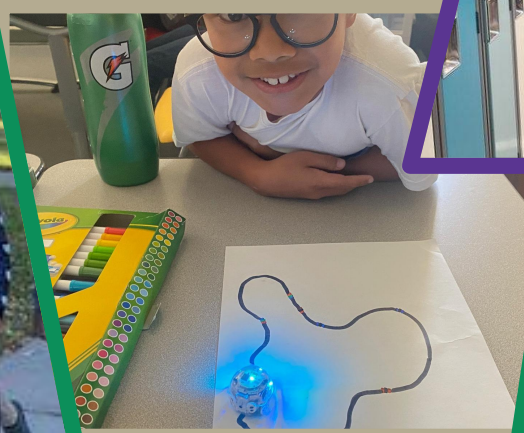
Walking is a great way to engage in physical activity and best of all, it is free & waiting for you outside your front door. Use [THESE](#) walking meditations as a means to support your physical & mental health.

## Educational Assistants

Sheila Hardy  
Tammy Hayter  
Amanda Hurley  
Maritza Hurley  
Michael Jeanson  
Cora Johnston

Nov 8 & 9: Parent-Teacher Interviews (4:30 to 7:30)  
Nov 10: Remembrance Day Assembly  
Nov 11: No School (Rememb. Day)  
Nov 17: Jersey Day  
Nov 18: PLF (No School)





Check us out on:

