



FEBRUARY DINO NEWS

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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,

January was a warmer month and we got a little break from the extreme cold. A reminder that as we experience different temperatures, to dress your children in layers so they stay warm on colder days.

We are already taking registrations for the next school year for new students only at this point. We will let our families know when it opens up for current families to complete their Demographic Checks for 23-24.

Also, a reminder that it is important, if you haven't already done so, to sign up for the Parent Portal. This program will allow you to check your child's attendance and marks and will travel with your child all the way through high school. Once students reach junior high or high school this portal will be a main source of communication so the sooner you sign up the better. Please call the school if you have any questions. Please contact the office for more information or assistance.

Our students are having a blast with inline skating and there is a family night planned for February 7. You will need to register in order to participate. On March 9, we will be hosting a family math fair. More information coming soon.

We are aware of the concerns regarding parking, drop off and pick up and are looking into different ways of mitigating the concerns and are working with Division Office for more permanent solutions.

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

REMINDERS

- Morning Bells: 1st > 8:55am, 2nd > 9:00am
- Recess: 10:15-10:35 AM
- 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@fmpsd.ab.ca Please indicate student first & last name as well as grade & teacher.



SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our M&M Meats Fundraiser!
Spring fundraiser for seedlings and flowers coming soon!

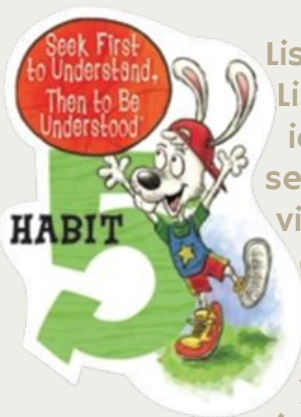


Alien Inline Skating, which was financed through the Dr. Clark Fundraising Committee, is finishing up this month. The students have been loving it!!

All parents are welcome at our online
March Dr. Clark School Council and
Fundraising Committee Meeting
Monday, March 20th from 7-8pm



WE ARE A LEADER IN ME SCHOOL



Listen Before You Talk
Listen to other people's ideas and feelings. Try to see things from their viewpoints. Listen to others without interrupting. Be confident in voicing your ideas. Look people in the eyes when talking.

Watch the Habit #5 story Lily and the Lucky Cookies at

<https://youtu.be/mXwzhQUk8Ec>

ARCTIC WINTER GAMES



Arctic Winter Games are this month. Go to <https://awg2023.org/> to check out the schedule, help out, or get tickets.

Our own gr 6 student, Jayla Vigilance, will be competing in Futsal. Good luck Jayla!!

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



MENTAL HEALTH

We have begun implementing the Regulated Classroom at Dr. Clark to support our students with stress and dysregulation. The Division is offering a parent session on Thursday, February 2nd. To sign up go to fmps.com/regclass



FIRST NATIONS, MÉTIS, INUIT



This month we will be learning the sacred teachings of the Wolf. The Turtle represents humility. The wolf is strong and powerful alone, but finds its greatest strength when part of a pack. Wolves are known to remain with packs for life, raising pups while protecting the group's well-being. The wolf teaches us that humility imparts strength to families and communities. To learn more about the sacred teachings of the Wolf go to https://youtu.be/CsxS3_iD3cA

VEHICLE AND SEATBELT SAFETY

We love welcoming our students to school every day and want to ensure they arrive safe. Below are some reminders about vehicle and seat belt safety:

- All children must be in a 5 point car seat until they are 40 lbs OR 6 years old.
- All children should be in a booster seat until they're at least 145 cm tall OR nine years old.
- Children under the age of 13 are safest in the back seat.
- Children should remain buckled until the vehicle comes to a complete stop.
- Do not have more children than seat belts in the car.
- For information check out these resources in [ENGLISH](#), [FRANÇAIS](#), [ARABIC](#)



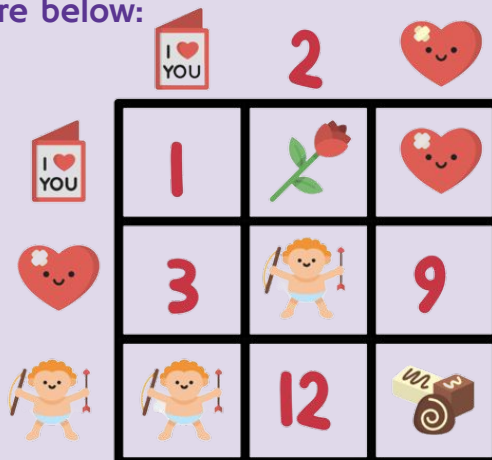
LITERACY MOMENT



February is "I Love to Read Month"
Why not print up the I Love to Read bingo card found at <https://fmps.com/readingo>
As a fun way to celebrate at home.

NUMERACY FUN

Find the value of each Valentine's Day picture below:



Card=1, Rose=2, Heart=3, Cupid=4, Chocolate=5

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 3 - Division PD Day (Staff Only)

Feb 16 - Beach Day

Feb 17 - PLF #8 (Staff Only)

Feb 20 - Family Day (No School)

Feb 22 - Pink Shirt Day



Feb 22 - Dino Assembly

Feb 27 to March 3 - Teacher's Convention (No School)

Mar 10 - PLF # 9 (Staff Only)

Mar 20 - School Council Meeting



Check us out on:

