



# 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

Can you believe we have made it to April? Hopefully, the snow and ice will officially melt away and we can enjoy spending more time outside soon. It was great seeing everyone who made it in for parent-teacher interviews at the end of March. We love having the opportunity to celebrate your children's growth. If you have not yet seen your child's report card it is available on the parent portal at [fmpsd.powerschool.com/public](https://fmpsd.powerschool.com/public).

Current student demographic confirmation forms are now available online. This information is very important in our planning for next year. Please go to [www.fmpsdschools.ca/registration/confirm2425](https://www.fmpsdschools.ca/registration/confirm2425) for instructions on how to complete the form.

World Autism Day is on April 2nd. We value and celebrate the neurodiversity within our school community. By fostering an inclusive environment, we create a space where every child can thrive and reach their full potential. We will also be launching our Jump for Rope campaign on April 2nd. Students will be active, learning about heart health, and having a blast jumping rope together. More information will be coming home from classroom teachers detailing how your child's participation can contribute to the success of this initiative.

Midway through the month students will be off school from April 12th to 21st for Spring Break. If you are travelling we wish you safe travels but if you are sticking closer to home we hope you are able to enjoy some quality time with your family. Once we all return refreshed, we look forward to the excitement the final weeks of school bring!

Enjoy the warmer weather!  
Your admin team,  
Principal Bobbi Compton  
Vice-Principals Abbi Easton & Robert Skulsky



## REMINDERS

- Morning Bells: 1st > 8:55am, 2nd > 9:00am
- Recess: 10:15-10:35am
- Kindergarten/ECDP AM Dismissal: 11:45am
- Lunch/PM Recess: 12:10-12:50pm
- Kindergarten/ECDP AM Start: 12:45pm
- 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](mailto:dc.absences@fmpsd.ab.ca)



# SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

If you made it to Parent Teacher Interviews last month you may have seen School Council with a table set up to share information regarding parking issues at Dr. Clark School. If you have some ideas or would like to be part of the parking committee email [dr.clarkparentsforparking@gmail.com](mailto:dr.clarkparentsforparking@gmail.com).



The next Papa John's Pizza day is April 10th. When you order a regular priced item you get 15% off your order and another 15% will come back to the school. Use Promo Code DC15 when ordering! Also, stay tuned for information on our next big fundraiser, spring flowers!

All parents are welcome at our next Dr. Clark School Council and Fundraising Committee Meeting on Monday, April 29th from 6-7pm either in person or online.

## CYBER SAFETY

Keeping kids safe in the online world.



### Cameras

- Content shared through a device's camera can be recorded
- Unless children know the other person, there is no way of verifying who is on the other end.
- Cameras can be activated without their knowledge.

### What can we do to keep them safe?

- Monitor your child's use of cameras on their devices.
- Enable controls and privacy settings on apps/services.
- Cover the camera when not in use.
- Model appropriate use of camera

For more info go to [protectkidsonline.ca](http://protectkidsonline.ca)

## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Jump Rope for Heart teaches kids healthy habits and the joy of movement, while giving back. As part of the annual event, every day at lunch, students will be able to jump rope in the gym with Ms. Dean.



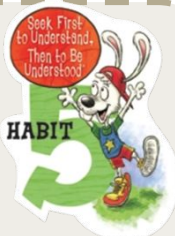
## PARKING LOT DOs & DON'Ts

- 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



## 7 HABITS FOR KIDS

Seek First to Understand,  
Then to Be Understood



HABIT

- Listen to other people's ideas and feelings.
- Try to see things from others viewpoints.
- Listen to others without interrupting.
- Be confident in voicing your ideas.



# DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

This month families in our School are celebrating...



**Easter** - Observed by Christians to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead.

**Laylat al Qadr** - A holy night in which Muslims traditionally pray until dawn.

**Eid al-Fitr** - Muslim celebration to commemorate the end of the holy month of Ramadan.

**Ridván** - A Baha'i festival that celebrates the beginnings of the Bahá'í Faith.

**Vaisakhi** - An important Sikh festival to celebrate Sikhism becoming a collective faith.

**Passover** - A major Jewish holiday celebrating the Israelites' escape from slavery in Egypt.

## EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING - METACOGNITION

The ability to stand back, take a bird's-eye view of oneself in a situation, or observe one's own problem solving. It also includes self-monitoring and self-evaluative skills.

Challenges can look like:

- Difficulty with goal-setting
- Trouble with self-correction
- Discouraged easily
- Difficulty with planning/prioritizing/organizing/problem-solving
- Lacking study strategies
- Fixed mindset



Strategies to Support Response Inhibition:

- Promote a growth mindset
- Teach note taking, study skills, and goal setting
- Ask questions when completing tasks
- Teach how to appropriately ask for help
- Provide reflection opportunities
- Model how to plan before beginning a task
- Teach how to review work after completion

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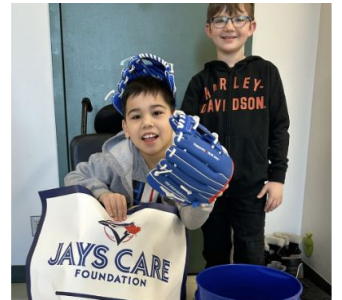
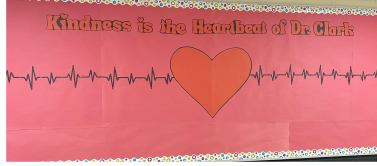
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## UPCOMING DATES

- Apr 1: Easter Monday (No School)
- Apr 2: Dress in Dino Wear/Colours
- Apr 2: Jump Rope for Heart Kick-Off
- Apr 2: World Autism Awareness Day
- Apr 6: Laylat al Qadr
- Apr 10: Eid al-Fitr
- Apr 12: PLF #11 (No School)



- Apr 13: Songkran & Baisakhi
- Apr 15-19: Spring Break (No School)
- Apr 21: Festival of Ridvan Begins
- Apr 22: Passover
- Apr 22: Spirit Day - Reuse Day
- Apr 22: Earth Day
- Apr 29: School Council Meeting



Check us out on:

