



Duclos News

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“Developing Mind and Character in a Safe, Caring and Learning Environment”



Christmas Greetings



From everyone at Duclos School, to our students and their families: We wish you Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Welcome to the Duclos Christmas Concert 2017

Duclos Students and Staff Warmly Welcome you to the Annual Duclos Christmas Concert! Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Duclos students perform four concerts over two days.

Group One will be performing on Monday, December 18th at **1:00 pm & 6:30 pm**

Group Two will be performing on Tuesday, December 19th at **1:00 pm & 6:30 pm**

Group One 1:00pm & 6:30pm	Group Two 1:00pm & 6:30pm
Monday, December 18th	Tuesday, December 19th
KDR, KM, 1G, 1S, 2P, 2F, 2H, 3LG, 3D, 4IS & 4M	KS, KC, KCH, 1J, 1P, 2S, 2N, 3W, 3M, 4ME, 4L & 4S

If a student cannot perform on one night, he/she can perform on the other night. The rehearsals, costumes, and performances are the same for each show. If brothers or sisters are not on the same night, we will be happy to move them to the other night so all family members perform in the same show. Please let your child's teacher know if you would like your child switched to the opposite Group.

We ask that you please do not leave your coats on chairs between performances. Everyone gets a chance for a good seat. We have to clean and tidy up between the shows.

Upcoming Events

December 5

Kindergarten Field Trip – Santa's Workshop

December 6

Duclos Spirit Day - Wear School Colors

December 7

Hot Lunch – A&W

December 13

Smencil Sale

December 14

Hot Lunch – Happy Valley

Smencil Sale

December 18

Christmas Concert at 1:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

December 19

Christmas Concert at 1:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Please be aware that our Duclos Christmas Concert is a public event and is open to the general public. As a result, pictures, videos and other information disclosed at the event may be shared publicly by anyone in attendance. If you have any concerns, please contact school administration.

School Council Silent Auction

During both evening concert performances on December 18th & 19th, School Council will be hosting a Silent Auction. Each night there will be different Silent Auction items available.

Bake Sale!

Our Kindergarten classes will be hosting a Bake Sale during our evening concert performances on December 18th and 19th. All money raised is for our Duclos Kindergarten program.

Duclos Christmas Concerts Will Be Broadcast Live on our Facebook Page!

Duclos School is excited to announce that we will be live streaming our 2017 Evening Christmas Concert Performances from the Duclos Facebook Page!

Here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/DuclosSchool/>

If you have a Facebook Account you can log in and view, or if you do not have a Facebook Account you can view from this page. We will send out reminders next week.

Watch our Concert on Facebook - 6:30 pm on Monday, December 18, 2017 and 6:30pm Tuesday, December 19, 2017

Be sure to tell Granny, Grandpa, Aunties and Uncles, and Friends of Duclos School who are unable to attend our Concert Performances to tune in and watch our Duclos Stars Shine!

Thanks to Chad and Jenna Colbourne at Lakeland Connect for your tremendous help with the live broadcast.

Music Hot Lunch

Mrs. Kissel is looking for four parents to help with Hot Lunch on January 18, 2018. If you can help from 11:30 - 12:30 please contact the front desk or Mrs. Kissel. Thank you! The money raised will go towards the Music Program!

December 20

Hot Lunch – Express Pizza

Please note this is on a Wednesday

Christmas Colors Theme Day – Red & Green or Christmas Sweaters

December 22 to January 7

Winter Break

January 8

Classes Resume

Welcome Back!

Happy New Year!

Duclos Website

Please sign up for our Newsletter by visiting our website at:

duclosschool.ca

Twitter

Duclos has a Twitter account! Be sure to follow us for updates!

@DuclosSchool

Facebook

Please feel free to “Like” us on Facebook. You can find us at **Duclos School NLSD #69**.



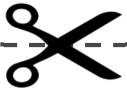
Duclos School Council

Wendy McInnes is the Duclos School Council Chair for the 2017-2018 school year.

You can email Wendy at w.m.b.m@hotmail.com



Please email Wendy by January 9, 2018 with suggested school council agenda items to be considered for the next meeting. The next school council meeting is on January 16 at 6:00 p.m.



My Parent Read the Newsletter Contest

Students - Ask your parents to read the newsletter, and fill out this entry. Please return this entry to Duclos School. Entries go into a draw and lucky winners choose a prize from the Treasure Box at the assembly. Good Luck! If you have an emailed newsletter, you can print and send in the entry, or send a note paper with:

Student's Name: _____

Classroom: _____

Parent's Signature: _____



Operation Christmas Child

Duclos School thanks you for donating to Operation Christmas Child this year. We are happy to have filled 32 shoe boxes with toys, supplies, and treats for children in impoverished parts of the world at Christmas time. We appreciate your kindness and generosity.

NLPS Transportation Notes:

- ❖ Please be sure that students are always dressed warmly for the bus ride to and from school.
- ❖ Please download the NLPS APP for updated bus route information anytime.

Thank You!

Thanks to the presenter from Rocks and Rings for bringing this curling program to Duclos on December 6 & 7. It is a great introduction to the sport of curling.

Thanks to Duclos School Council for sponsoring Rocks and Rings.



Duclos Shining Stars

Thanks to all students who receive Good Behaviour Awards every week. There are hundreds of positive behaviours on display on the Wall of Shining Stars beside the library. Stop by to see all the good things our students do.

Four lucky students were chosen for lunch with Mr. Cameron. Congratulations to our October winners:

1G – Wyatt Blake



2N – Eli Dobrowski

3M – Harlow Gervais

4S – Lexy Mackay

Four lucky students were chosen for lunch with Mr. Cameron. Congratulations to our November winners:

1P – Cohen Cooper



2F – Carson Albert

3D – Peyton Sartain

4ME – Paige Masson

Bears for Buddies

Each year in Kindergarten we encourage our classes to give back to the community as a service project. We collect new Teddy Bears/toys to help support our community's Santa's Elves Program. Santa's Elves is a non-profit organization run by the students at B.C.H.S. The new toys are given at Christmas to less fortunate families. The students delivered the toys to Santa's Workshop at B.C.H.S. on December 5th. Thank you to those who attended our annual Kindergarten Teddy Bears' Picnic.



Thank You

Thank you to Mrs. Matichuk and Mrs. Cameron who once again donated many pairs of hand-knitted mittens for our students. We appreciate your kindness and generosity.

School Council Fundraiser

What: Smencils! Scented Pencils made with 100% recycled newspaper!



When: December 13th and 14th at Noon!

Cost: Only \$2 per Smencil!



Do you have questions about Duclos School?

Please be sure to find our Duclos Student and Parent Handbook posted on our website.

You can find the 2017-2018 Handbook by clicking on Documents and find the Handbook link.

Fact! School Cash Online

Did you know that parents at Duclos School pay school fees, hot lunch, milk program, and other purchases online using School Cash? Register now!

For your convenience please sign up for School Cash Online:
<https://nlsd.schoolcashionline.com/>

Newsletter

If you would like an Email copy of the Newsletter. Please **Subscribe** to **School Updates** at:
<http://duclosschool.ca/>



Unplugged Family Literacy Event 2018

Bonnyville Community Learning Council Unplugged Family Literacy Event 2018 will take place on Thursday, January 25, 2018, 6:30 – 8 pm in the Duclos School gym. There will be fun family activities to do, and tons of games, books, and prizes to be won!

Bonnyville PONTIACS “Respect” Presentations:

Canadian Natural Resources are proud sponsors of the Bonnyville PONTIACS “Respect” presentations. Members of the Pontiacs visited Duclos on November 28 to 30. Thanks to the Bonnyville Jr. A Pontiacs!



Library News

Thanks to all who visited our Fall Scholastic Book Fair! We sold over \$8600 in books! A special thank you to Taryna Mackay, Leanne Mills, Janine Hebert and Katelyn Hornseth for volunteering their time to assist with the book fair!

Congratulations to Nevaeh H. and 4M for winning the Family Event Door Prize. Both Nevaeh and her home room won \$25 worth of free books!

Mrs. Hornseth is requesting that all library books be returned to the library before the Christmas Break. If your child is in the middle of a great book and can't bear to return it, please encourage your child to keep their book in a safe place so it won't get lost over the break!

Healthy Living – thinking about head lice?

As fall and winter come it seems that head lice might sometimes arrive. Head lice is sometimes found in schools, and we are monitoring and checking to avoid it spreading.

Like all schools, Duclos School will at times have cases of head lice. To keep head lice in check requires the support and care of parents and the school. Parents are requested to regularly check their children for head lice.

The school checks when there is a suspected case of head lice. Students who are absent are checked upon their return to school. Students found to have live lice are sent home to be treated. Parents are informed when there are nits. All nits are to be picked clean to help prevent re-infestation and spreading.

For more information, you can contact public health at 780-826-3381, or go to the My Health Alberta website: <https://myhealth.alberta.ca/>

Duclos is a Peanut and Nut Free School

Please remember that for the health and safety of students at our school, Duclos is a peanut and nut free environment.

Several of our students have severe allergies to peanuts, nuts, and products containing peanuts or nuts. Please be careful when packing lunches, snacks, or items for bake sales or shared lunches in the classrooms. Food items must be free of peanuts and nuts.

Lunches are monitored and items are labeled and returned home if they contain or may contain nuts. Thanks for your kind cooperation.