



Duclos News



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

Welcome Back! Happy New Year!

From everyone at Duclos School – Welcome Back! We hope that you had a wonderful Holiday Season!



2017 Ski Trips

Kinosoo Ridge Ski Trips are fast approaching! We have scheduled four days so everyone can enjoy a great ski day. If we need to cancel due to extreme cold weather, we will reschedule with Kinosoo.

February 8	February 9	February 22	February 23
1G	1S	1ST	1P
1SC	2H	2A	2HA
2T	2N	3S	3W
3LG	3M	3MA	4D
4M	4IS		4I

Duclos School Council

Wendy McInnes is the Duclos School Council Chair for the 2016-2017 school year.

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



The next school council meeting is on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:30.

Good Behavior Award Winners from December – Congratulations!

These are our four lucky students that had their names picked to go to lunch at A&W:

Max Johnston – 1P
Christian Watchmaker – 2H



Isis Lyons – 3LG
Ella Murphy – 4I

Upcoming Events

January 9

Welcome Back to School

January 11

Duclos School Spirit Day

January 12

Hot Lunch – Burger Baron

January 17

School Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

January 19

Hot Lunch – Express Pizza

January 25

Pajama Day

January 26

Hot Lunch – Express Pizza

February 1

Duclos School Spirit Day

February 2

Hot Lunch – Happy Valley

Bonnyville Community Learning:
Unplugged Family Literacy
Event 2017: 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

February 3

No School – Family Friday

Christmas Concert Silent Auction

Thanks for supporting the Parent Council Silent Auction at the Christmas Concerts. We appreciate the help of the organizers and the generosity of those who donated items. You helped us raise over \$1447.

Kindergarten Christmas Bake Sale

Thanks for your generous support of the Kindergarten Bake Sales. You helped raise \$1912.00 for our Kindergarten classrooms.



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: _____

HOT Reading Tip! Daily At Home Reading is for All Students

Duclos School promotes and celebrates daily at home reading for all students. Home reading for at least 15 to 20 minutes is part of students, required daily work. What does this mean for children? Regular reading at home and school provides significant life-long benefits.

Help your students reap these advantages by encouraging their love of words and their love of books. Life can get hectic, even for our youngest students, but helping them form a daily reading habit really can make a huge difference for their success in school now and in the future.

Be sure you support your child's daily at home reading every day. Read together, read to your child, let them read to you, let your children read together.

Keep Our School Floors Clean

Please clean, wipe, bang, or remove your outdoor footwear before entering the school.

We have many high traffic times during the school day and the entrances get wet and dirty. This gets tracked and spread around the school; into hallways and classrooms. Many students cannot walk to and from the boot rooms because they get wet or dirty socks. We would really appreciate it if all school guests would do everything possible to help. Please remove or clean your outdoor footwear, especially work boots or oily and muddy footwear.

Newsletter

If you would like an Emailed copy of the Newsletter, please follow these steps:

1. Visit: <http://duclosschool.ca/>
2. Scroll to bottom right of the front page of our website to find the Newsletter title.
3. Choose School Updates from the drop down menu.
4. Type in your email.
5. Hit the button that says Subscribe.
6. If you did not receive the Newsletter, please check your **Junk Mail or Spam** file.
7. This does not have to be repeated every year. You will continue to receive them until you **Unsubscribe**.

Reminders:

The Duclos Newsletter is available on our website too!

See **Quicklinks** on the Homepage. Or in **Documents** under Newsletter Folder. Or **View Archives** from the Homepage for all copies.

If you don't get a Newsletter and want one, please call us at (780)826-3992

Duclos Swag Sale

Duclos School hosted a successful fundraiser at the Christmas Concerts selling Duclos School swag: toques, neck warmers, water bottles & tote bags. We raised \$2329.50 for the new playground. Thanks for your support!

We have a few more water bottles, neck warmers, and tote bags for purchase. Please come to the front office.

Thank you!

We received a donation of \$480 from the Cenovus Employee Foundation annual employee Thanks and Giving campaign. The Cenovus Employee Foundation donates to Duclos in the name of employee, Mr. Jerry Kopeck. We are happy to put this donation towards the new playground. Thank you very much!

Unplugged Family Literacy Event 2017

Bonnyville Community Learning Council Unplugged Family Literacy Event 2017 – Thursday, February 2, 2017, 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!

Alberta Education Accountability Pillar Survey



As part of our focus on school effectiveness, Duclos School is participating in an online school survey for Grade 4 students. The survey is called OurSCHOOL. These student surveys are part of the Alberta Education Accountability Pillar providing an annual checkup on the education system.

You should also watch for information about the grade 4 parent surveys coming soon to your home.

OurSCHOOL is an online survey that allows students to give their feedback and share their voices on their school environment, experiences at school, and school programs. During the next few weeks, grade 4 students will be given the opportunity to participate in this survey during regular school hours.

The student survey measures include such topics as emotional and social well-being, physical health, and behaviours and attitudes linked to student success. The survey also allows students to give their thoughts and feedback in open-ended question responses.

If you would like more information, please contact our Duclos School Coordinator, Jody Centazzo.

Tidbits

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 2016-2017 Handbook by clicking on Documents and find the Handbook link. You can also find a link on the front page of our website under **Quicklinks**.

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/>

School Valentine's Activities & Dress in Red Day is on Tuesday, February 14th.

Please watch for more information about Valentine's activities from your child's teacher.

*****IMPORTANT NOTICE*****

Northern Lights Early Dismissal – at noon on Wednesday, February 15

Students bring lunch to eat from 11:36 am to 11:59 am.

Students get ready to dismiss at 12 noon sharp.

Plan to pick up your children at noon.

Buses leave shortly after noon to take students home.