

Duclos News

November 2016

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



Duclos School Remembrance Day Ceremony

Thursday, November 10th at 10:30 a.m.



Parents are welcome to attend. Remembrance Day Poppies are available at the school for a donation to the Legion Poppy Fund.

Progress Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews

Progress Reports will be sent home on Tuesday, November 22.

Parent - Teacher Interviews will be held on:

Wednesday, November 23 from 4:30 p.m. – 7:45 p. m.

Thursday November 24 from 4:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

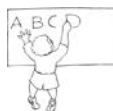
Book your appointment online, it's easy!

Please remember to [sign in](#) online at duclosschool.ca and book your appointment. (your name will not appear when you book, but the teacher will see this information).

If you are unable to book online, please call the school at 826-3992.

Duclos School Council

Wendy McInnes is the Duclos School Council Chair for the 2015-2016 school year.



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

Please email Wendy by November 22 with suggested school council agenda items to be considered for the next meeting.

The next school council meeting is on November 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events

November 2
School Spirit Day

November 3
Fall Retake Picture Day

Hot Lunch – Subway

November 10
Duclos Remembrance Day Ceremony at 10:30 a.m.

Hot Lunch – Happy Valley

November 11
Remembrance Day – No School

November 17
Hot Lunch – Express Pizza

November 24
Hot Lunch – Yum's The Word

November 25
Family Friday – No School

November 29
School Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m

November 30
Crazy Hat Day

Thank you!



Thanks to Mrs. Helen Cameron for her donation of many sets of hand knitted toques and mittens. These are given out to students at our school who may need them as the weather gets colder. Thanks for your kindness and generosity.



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: _____

Duclos Annual Cancer Run and Walk



Duclos held our Annual Cancer Run and Walk on Friday, September 30th. Thank you for your generous donations. Duclos raised \$3968.80 for the Bonnyville Cancer Clinic.

Good Behavior Award Winners from October – Congratulations!

Thanks to all students who receive Good Behaviour Awards every week. There are hundreds of positive behaviours on display on the Good Behaviour Tree on the wall beside the library. Stop by to see how Duclos students SHINE!

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

1G – Sierra Witwicky



2T – Corbin Wells

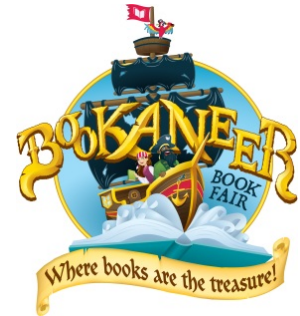
3W – Zac Slywka

4I – Elisabeth Pilisko



Bookaneer Book Fair

November 21: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
November 22: 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
November 23: 8:30 am – 8:00 pm
November 24: 8:30 am – 2:00 pm



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](https://twitter.com/DuclosSchool)

Facebook

Please feel free to "Like" us on Facebook. You can find us at **Duclos School NLS D #69**.

Christmas Concert!

December 14th and December 15th.

SAVE THE DATES!

Operation Education

Operation Education is a co-operative fundraising initiative that partners Duclos School and Boston Pizza to earn cash back. Staff, students and families can dine at any Northern Alberta Boston Pizza and help Duclos earn 5% cash back on the pre-tax total of submitted receipts (Only original receipts are accepted).

It's as easy as eat, save and submit!

1. Eat at Boston Pizza between September 1, 2016 and December 31, 2016
2. Save your receipts!
3. Submit your receipts to Duclos School by January 10, 2017

Brrrrr....



The colder weather is here! Remember: all students are expected to go outside at recess, with the exception of temperatures below -25C or high wind chill factors or rain. As the weather gets colder, Duclos staff reminds parents to dress children in proper outerwear that is suitable for the weather. All students should have a warm winter coat, winter boots, snow pants, toques and mitts.

Friendship Fridays

Duclos grade 3 students are promoting a wonderful community service project. The Bonnyville Friendship Center Food Bank needs donations. If people in our community need food, they can go to the Bonnyville Friendship Center and get help.

We thought it would be a great idea if Duclos School could donate some food items to help fill their shelves.

We want to show our community that we **SHINE** and that students at Duclos show empathy. The grade three classes started a service learning project called Friendship Fridays. Every Friday please bring in something for the food bank at the Friendship Center. Canned foods, cereals, macaroni and cheese are some examples. Help us show empathy and donate food on Friendship Fridays! Friendship Fridays will continue for the next few weeks.

"Shine with us!"

Remembrance Day – Lest We Forget!

Notice

School Cash is now open for donations for our new accessible sensory playground.

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.

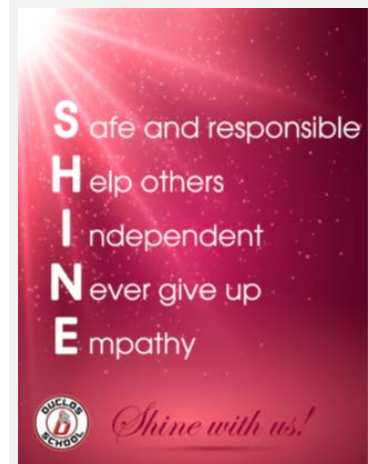
Fact! School Cash Online

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/>



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New Duclos Playground: Accessible Play Spaces for ALL Students

Exciting news for our students and for our school. Duclos School has completed the new playground and it is ready for our students.

The purpose for designing and building accessible, special needs / sensory equipment is to create a play area for all students and for those with sensory needs and mobility issues. An accessible and inclusive playground means it is as easy as possible for everyone to play, regardless of their abilities or disabilities. New playgrounds are built with consideration for accessibility and usability, giving all students opportunities to discover unique pieces of inclusive playground equipment.

This project is funded by a loan from the Northern Lights Board of Trustees. We are fundraising and requesting donations to pay back the loan. The project costs \$105,000. This amount covers the cost of the playground project: play structures, equipment, excavation, border area, fill material, and the installation.

Cheques can be payable to Northern Lights School Division. Northern Lights will issue registered charity receipts for donations of \$20 or more. We will be proud to list all donors on a recognition board.

Thank you for your consideration and for your support of this project. We look forward completing this project and to meeting the needs of all students in a welcoming and inclusive play environment.

Please feel free to contact principal, Richard Cameron, with any questions you may have or to inquire about making a personal or business donation.

Playground Project – we thank you for your support and help!

Skye and Bob Christians donated time, labour, and equipment to help remove and haul away the dirt from the site, and to spread the fill material. Thanks very much!

Ray Miller donated time, labour and materials to build the forms to pour the concrete for the border area allowing easy access. Thanks very much!

Lafarge Concrete donated the concrete for the border curb to build an easy access point on the new playground. Thanks very much!

Flint Beaulac finished the concrete and removed the forms for the curb. He gave us a reduced rate for his labour. Thanks very much!

Chad Bordeleau of Trademark Plumbing & Heating Ltd for donating rolls of safety fencing to mark off the playground work site during installation. Thanks very much!

Bob McRae and NLSD Maintenance for their help with the project, including setting up and removing the safety fence. Thanks very much!

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate circumstances around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Duclos School is again this year. It is one important way for our and caring. You are welcome to begin making donations for the shoeboxes or donations of money made up to November 17th. Please note that there is no food and candy allowed in shoeboxes. It takes \$7.00 to ship each box. You can visit the official site at: <http://www.samaritanspurse.ca>



happy to be participating students to learn about sharing donations at the school. Your to help with shipping can be

Healthy Living – thinking about head lice?

As fall and winter come it seems that head lice might show up too. Head lice is sometimes found in schools, and we are always 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, see the attached Fact Sheet, or contact public health at 780-826-3381, or go to the My Health Alberta website: <https://myhealth.alberta.ca/>

Fundraiser at Camrose Casino Needs Volunteers on November 18 and 19

Duclos and HEB Support Group Foundation needs volunteers to work at a Casino! The Foundation can make up to \$20,000 or more to benefit our schools.

We need about 12 volunteers (9 for each day and 2 or 3 on standby) to work at the Camrose Casino on Friday, November 18th and Saturday, November 19th. You are trained when you arrive by Casino staff. The hotels are booked and paid for. You will get a food voucher/daily food allowance. Please contact the school at (780)826-3992 or Erin Stefure at erinstefure@msn.com as soon as possible.

Education Plan and Annual Education Results Report

Please note that the Duclos School Education Plan and Annual Education Results Report (AERR) is available for you to read on the school website. You can find our Education Plan and Results Report at this link: <http://duclosschool.ca/view.php?action=documents&id=363>

Or go to our Duclos School home page and click on Documents to find the link to the Education Plan and Results Report page. Thanks for your interest.