

School Message

Hello to all of our Dufferin Families,

It is hard to believe we are entering the third month of the school year! September and October seemed to have flown by and here we are at November. The weather has been incredibly nice and we are trying to get the students outside as much as possible.

There has been a great deal of learning going on in classrooms and we are excited to get to share that with you through report cards and during Parent/Teacher meetings. Details for parent teacher conferences will be sent home with students shortly. The first reporting period allows teachers and families to know where their child is at and for intentional planning to occur. We are excited to see students set and meet their learning goals.

Reminder to families that teachers will meet students at their designated entry doors at 8:45 am and 12:55 pm to bring students into the building. We do allow for early entry when it is raining or in cases of extreme cold. Please plan for students arrival at school accordingly.

Yours in learning,

Garth McAlpine

Principal

Out of Respect for the Indigenous
People of Manitoba, we at Dufferin
School and the Winnipeg School
Division recognize the school we
attend resides on Treaty 1 Land
known as First Nations
Territory as well as the
Homeland of the
Red River
Metis



Family Conferences

Teachers will be meeting with parents/guardians about their child(ren)'s learning thus far in Term 1 during our Family Conferences on either November 17th or 18th.

Letters will go home this month with further information



Report Cards will go home Tuesday, November 15th



Remembrance Day

November 11 marks Remembrance Day, the time of the year when we wear a red poppy in memory of and honour those who sacrificed their lives during wars.

The **11th** hour of the **11th** day of the **11th** month marks the signing of the Armistice of

November 11th, in 1918, which signalled the end of World War 1.

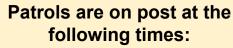
We will be sharing Remembrance Day information to our students over the PA on Thursday, November 10th There will be no school Friday, November 11th

Please take time to speak with your children about Remembrance Day and the importance of keeping peace in mind



Patrols

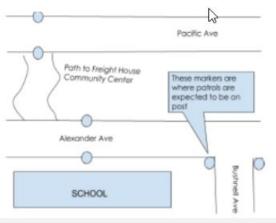
Being a School Patrol allows students to be responsible and use their leadership qualities in our community by helping those, especially younger students, cross the street safely to and from school.



Before school: 8:45 am - 9:05 am Before lunch: 11:55 am - 12:10 pm After lunch: 12:45 pm - 1:05 pm After school: 3:25 pm - 3:45 pm

Please cross the street where student patrols or adult crossing guards are on post to help you cross safely

Reminder: Parents/Guardians please do not block the school's crossing path with your vehicles







Before you ride

Wear your helmet!

It's the law that anyone under 18 years of age in Manitoba must wear a properly fitted and fastened helmet while cycling.

Use a helmet that:

your eyebrows and the edge of

vour helmet

- Is marked with an approved Canadian safety standards symbol. If your helmet doesn't meet Canadian safety standards, ask your parent or guardian to get you one that does.
- . Is a bright colour, fits snugly and is something you like.
- Is less than five years old and has not been hit or damaged. If your helmet gets hit hard, you will need to get a new one.
- · Has adjustable straps that you always buckle.
- Doesn't wobble or fall off when you shake your head even when the straps are undone.

Follow the 2V1 rule Your helmet protects your head and your brain! 2"fingers between

Straps form a "V"

under your ears

"1" finger between the strap and your chin

Scooters / Bikes

We have had a number of students bringing their scooters and bikes to school without a helmet. Parents, please remind your child(ren) about the importance of bike safety and that they require a helmet when riding.

For more information, please visit: https://www.mpi.mb.ca/Documents/KidsCyclingBrochure.pdf

If students bring their bikes, skateboards, or scooters to school, staff will keep it in the office until dismissal.

For safety reasons, they cannot ride it during recess time.



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Reminders



Students are required to continue using their designated doors to meet their teacher outside, in their meeting area.

Bells ring at 8:50 a.m. and 12:55 p.m.

Dufferin School sends messages, reminders and newsletters by email through School Messenger.

If you would like to add your email address to our list, call Dufferin School at 204-774-3409

Report absences on **School Messenger**

Phone: 1-855-278-4513
Toll-free, interactive telephone system

Website: <u>go.schoolmessenger.ca</u> Set up your Parent Portal account then log in.

Mobile App School Messenger: Set up your Parent Portal account, download the Apple or Android app, then log in.

> All methods are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week



Parent Council News

LUNCH PROGRAM

Our Parent Council operates Dufferin School's Lunch Program in our school from 12:00 - 12:55 pm every day. The cost per child to stay at our Lunch Program is \$50 per month. To avoid the \$10.00 late fee, monthly payments are required to be made by the 20th of each month.

We are a non-profit organization. All fees go towards paying for our staff, hot lunches and supplies. If you require additional information please contact our Lunch Program Coordinator, Chris at (204)774-3409.

Thank you,

Helen Sinisalo
P.A.C. President

Chris Hill

Lunch Program Coordinator

PAC will be selling hotdogs for \$2, chips and drinks for \$1 during the Family Conferences

on Thursday, Nov. 17th from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. and Friday, Nov. 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Parent Council held their first fundraiser Friday, October 28th and raised **\$200**. Funds collected will go towards purchasing a new microwave for the Lunch Program. Thank you for your support!

Thank you, Helen Sinisalo

P.A.C. President











Halloween Pictures





November -



Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
		1 Day 3	2 Day 4	3 Day 5	4 Day 6	
7	Day 1	8 Day 2	9 Day 3 PAC Meeting Library - 4pm	10 Day 4 LUNCH PROGRAM Nachos	11 NO SCHOOL Remembrance Day	
14	Day 5	15 Day 6 Hearing Screening Report Cards GO HOME	16 Day 1 Hearing Screening	17 Day 2 Hearing Screening Family Conferences 3:45 - 7:00 pm	18 Day 3 NO SCHOOL Family Conferences 9:00 - 3:30 pm	LOOKING AHEAD Dufferin School Pasta Lunch December 9
21	Day 4	22 Day 5	23 Day 6	24 Day 1	25 Day 2 LUNCH PROGRAM Hotdogs and Fries	Winter Arts Celebration December 15 Last Day before Winter Break: December 21
28	Day 3	29 Day 4	30 Day 5			December 21

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		1 Day 3	2 Day 4 Band Family Room 4:00 pm	3 Day 5 Balance on a Budget Workshop Family Room - 1:30pm Rhyme Time 10:30 am - Family Room	4 Day 6
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28	Day 3	29 Day 4	30 Day 5 Adult Paint Class 9:15 am Zoom Band - Family Room, 4pm		

Family Room

Community Information





Family Room is now open!

Megan Brisco, our Community Support worker, operates our Family Room from Monday to Friday for parents and non-school age children to participate in various activities throughout the year. Check out our calendar to learn more!

Contact Megan at 204-774-3409 or mbrisco@wsd1.org



OPEN A BOOK, OPEN THE WORLD

NEW family literacy training focused on promoting diversity including race, creed, gender, culture, family structures and abilities. Literacy resources, tools, and strategies will be provided.

FAMILIES IN KITCHEN

The families will provided a recipe. Parents can pick up their meal kit in the morning before class. Please note, due to facilitator's schedule several class time sessions will be combined.

FIT KIDS HEALTHY KIDS

Fit Kids Healthy Kids is a Physical Literacy program founded as a partnership between Doctors Manitoba and Sport Manitoba. It teaches children and their adult leaders the fundamentals of movement that make kids confident and competent in sport, recreation, and life.

Safe school attendance is a priority for student learning.

All students should complete daily COVID-19 Screening Tool **prior to** attending school.

I have symptoms of COVID-19

Take a rapid antigen test or PCR test

Test result is negative

It is recommended that you complete a second test 24 hours after the first negative result and if it continues to be negative, it is recommend you do a third test after another 24 hours. If still negative, you may return to school if you have no fever and your symptoms have improved over the last 24 hours.

It is recommended that you stay home from school for 5 days and you have no fever and your symptoms are improving over the past 24 hours. You must wear a medical mask to school for an additional 5 days.

Test is positive or

prefer not to test



When to stay home

If you're unsure if your child should stay home or attend school, complete the Shared Health screening tool online or by phone:

https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool

Call 1-877-308-9038