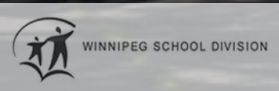


Dufferin School

October

Newsletter 2022



We're so glad you're here!

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School Message

Hello to all of our Dufferin Families,

With Thanksgiving around the corner this month, it is quite fitting to say how thankful Mr. McAlpine and I are to be here at Dufferin School. We see children excited to be here, engaged in rich learning opportunities and show commitment to be here everyday. We continue to see more students return back to school and we thank all of our families for your support and cooperation as we prepare for a new school year.

Each school in the Winnipeg School Division follows the division protocol for preparing for school emergencies. This includes: Bus Evacuation Drills (Bus Ridership-October 19th), School Evacuation Drills (ex: fire drills and relocation practice) and Lockdown Drills. Our first fire drill, held September 21, went smoothly with students exiting their assigned doors quickly and quietly. We will be practicing one fire drill every month.

Our staff had a great time meeting our families in attendance of our Open House last month. It was great connecting with parents and caregivers as they walked the halls and classrooms of our school. Parent Teacher interviews will be in person this year. We will be having a Family Conference next month, November 17 and 18 where families can learn more about their child(ren)'s progress and goals.

It has been a great start to the school year!

Maria Manzano

Vice 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.

Thank You Dreamcatcher Promotions

for donating 150 orange
t-shirts to our students!



DREAMCATCHER
PROMOTIONS 



Orange Shirt Day

Students and staff wore orange shirts and/or ribbons on September 29th to bring awareness to the community about the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. Students also showed support by creating signs and posters with quotes and words of acknowledgement to reinforce the importance of the Reconciliation.





Our school participated in a **Every Child Matters Awareness Walk** inside our school field and had a **moment of silence in our school**, which the Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning, in collaboration with the Indigenous Inclusion Directorate Advisory Council, recommended to be held at 2:15pm. Students continued to add ribbons to our Every Child Matters school fence and had discussed the significance of National Day of Truth and Reconciliation.

Open House

Thank you families for attending our Open House!



Open House

Hamper Draw Winners!

Congratulations to the following families:

Kaine (Rm 12)
Isaac (Rm 26)
Liam (Rm 18)



Thank You Moe El Tassi
for donating chocolate milk
for our students

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.

Patrols are on post at the following times:

Before school: 8:45 am - 9:05 am

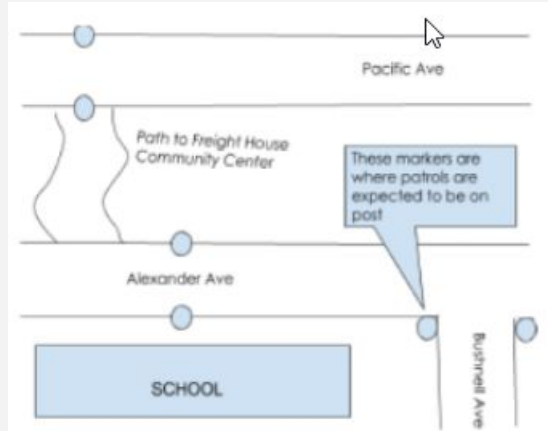
Before lunch: 11:55 am - 12:10 pm

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:

- 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



2

"2" fingers between your eyebrows and the edge of your helmet



V

Straps form a "V" under your ears



1

"1" finger between the strap and your chin

Your helmet protects your head and your brain!

Scooters / Bikes

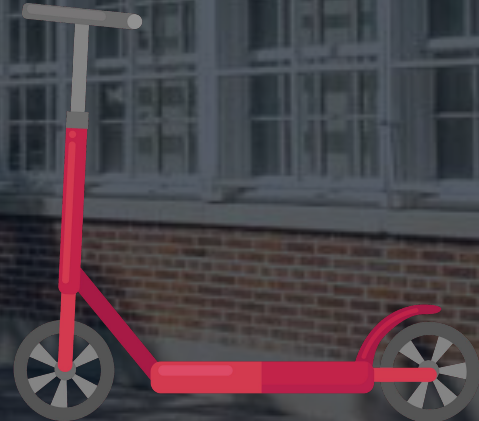
We have had a number of students bringing their scooters and bikes to school without a helmet. Parents, please remind your child(ren) about the importance of bike safety and that they require a helmet when riding.

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.





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: go.schoolmessenger.ca

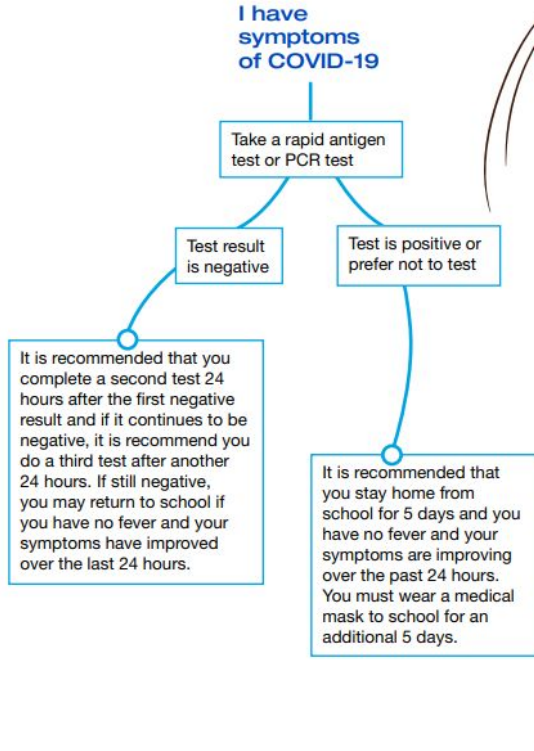
Set up your Parent Portal account then log in.

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**

Safe school attendance is a priority for student learning.
All students should complete daily COVID-19 Screening Tool
prior to attending school.



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

Parent Council News

LUNCH PROGRAM

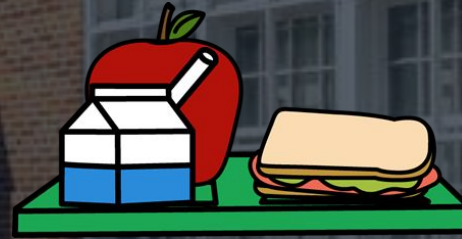
Our Parent Council operates Dufferin School's Lunch Program in our school from 12:00 - 12:55 pm every day. The cost per child to stay at our Lunch Program is \$50 per month. To avoid the \$10.00 late fee, monthly payments are required to be made by the 20th of each month.

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



LUNCH PROGRAM DROP-IN FEES

\$3.00 with a lunch

\$5.00 without a lunch

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 be 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.

Thank You Tim Horton's

for treating our staff to coffee and donuts





Tim Hortons

We appreciate our staff!

October



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Day 1	4 Day 2	5 Day 3	6 Day 4	7 Day 5
10 NO SCHOOL Happy Thanksgiving	11 Day 6	12 Day 1 Grade 6 Immunization PAC Meeting 4 pm	13 Day 2	14 Day 3 LUNCH PROGRAM Chicken Noodle Soup
17 Day 5	18 Day 6	19 Day 1 Bus Ridership 	20 Day 2	21 Day 3 NO SCHOOL Manitoba Teachers Professional Day <i>Non-Instructional Day</i>
24 Day 4	25 Day 5	26 Day 6	27 Day 1	28 Day 2 Picture Day  LUNCH PROGRAM Mac and Cheese
31 Day 2				

LOOKING AHEAD

Family Conferences
November 17, 18

No School:
November 11, 18

October Family Room



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Day 1 Jamie Oliviero Children's Story Teller 9am - 2pm → Room 1, 3	4 Day 2	5 Day 3 Music Program - Zoom Band 4pm - Room 6 CanU - Family Meeting 3:45 - 4:15 pm - Room 1	6 Day 4	7 Day 5 Jamie Oliviero Children's Story Teller 9am - 2pm → Room 1, 3 Families in the Kitchen 9:30 am - Zoom
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17 Day 5	18 Day 6	19 Day 1 Band 4pm - Room 1	20 Day 2 Book Mates Room 1 1:00 - 3:30 pm	21 Day 3 NO SCHOOL <i>MTS/Non-Instructional Day</i>
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