



# Duffield Digest

## Principal Message

We are heading into the end of a unique school year! I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your support during the short time I have been at Duffield School. I have enjoyed working with our community, our students and our staff. I wish you all the very best in the future and look forward to working with our grade 9 students as I transition along with them to Memorial Composite High School. You are fortunate to have Cherie Lovsund as your new Principal next year as she comes to Duffield from Copperhaven School. She has tremendous experience and will be a positive asset to the school community.

We truly have an amazing and hard working staff at Duffield and it has been a pleasure working with each and every one of them. I learned so much during my time at Duffield School. You are so fortunate to have such outstanding adults working with your children and I will miss working with them. Here's to finishing up our school year:

**End of year activities:** We are continuing to work on planning for our year end activities for our students. Please watch for this to be announced in the future.

**School Council and DPAC:** Thank you to DPAC and all of our parent volunteers for all that you do for our school. Our DPAC continued to run successful fundraisers during this COVID school year and were able to introduce new ideas, such as Pizza 73 Fridays! Their support is extremely valuable and has made a world of difference to our school. In my time here they have helped to purchase math kits, classroom libraries, and music room supplies! Our School Council has been supportive of our school initiatives and continues to champion high Quality Learning and Inclusive Education.

**Grade 9 Farewell:** Will take place online for parents to join our Gmeet and Grade 9 slideshow. Thank you to our families for all your support these 9 years, as our grade 9's make their way onto highschool.

**June 21st - Indigenous Day:** Please wear orange as we celebrate Indigenous culture. More information to follow.

Dianne Jewell

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## Important Dates

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Jun 15th — Virtual School Council Meeting @ 6PM

June 29th — Last day of school

June 30th PD — NO SCHOOL

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## Upcoming

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July 20th — Virtual School Council Meeting @ 6PM

Aug 17th — Virtual School Council Meeting @ 6PM

## **Student Absences**

Thank you to all of our families for either phoning in or e-mailing us with student absences.

As we continue to work to ensure the safety of our students at Duffield School, it is so important that we are aware when your child is absent from school. We ask that you email [duffield@psd70.ab.ca](mailto:duffield@psd70.ab.ca) (Please include your child's full name, grade and reason for absence) or call 780-892-2644 and leave a message on the Attendance voicemail.

## **Morning Student Drop Off**

We appreciate your continued support waiting to drop students off in the morning. Teachers are not available to supervise students until 7:40 AM. This allows us to follow the government restrictions around cohorting due to COVID-19. With warmer temperatures, we will be keeping the doors to the school locked until 7:40 AM when supervision begins. Students who arrive before this time will need to wait outside until the morning bell rings to enter the school.

## **Dress for the weather**

With the warmer weather, students are still required to dress for the current weather. In order to enjoy outdoor activities such as recess and physical education classes, students will need to dress appropriately for weather conditions. Please consider sending your child in rubber boots and with splash pants. Extra clean clothes are recommended to be included in your child's backpack.

## **2021-2022 Supply Lists—Write-Write On Stationery Offer**

The **2021-2022** School Supply Lists are now available and are on our school website. Duffield is once again offering the opportunity for parents to buy school supplies through Write-On Stationery. For more information on how to order and the link to Write-On Stationery, please click [here](#) and scroll down to the 2021-2022 Supply Lists/Write-On Stationery Offer. Please note that this is an optional program.

**A note from Mrs. Hollman**

Dear Students and Parents,

I hope you are all doing well. The school year is going by quickly and summer will be here soon!

I just wanted to inform you that I will be resigning my teaching position. I will be starting a new chapter as a stay-at-home Mom. It was a hard decision as Duffield holds a special place in my heart.

I want to take a moment to thank you for making me feel so welcome in your community. Duffield always felt like a second home. It was an absolute pleasure working with all of you and I have many memories I will cherish. I will miss you all!

Feel free to send me a hello anytime!

My email is [jvpoon@gmail.com](mailto:jvpoon@gmail.com)

Take care,

Mrs. J. Hollman

**DPAC Presents: Pizza Fridays!**

**Just a reminder that you can still order!**



DPAC Fundraising Committee presents, "PIZZA FRIDAYS!" Attached you will find the link for their Google Form for ordering pizza. Families are being offered the flexibility of ordering all at once or monthly as they would prefer. **Orders will be collected once a month, Please remember that pizzas are ordered in advance i.e.: June 11th order would have to be paid no later than June 5th.** Paper copies are also available in the office. PLEASE send funds via e-transfer if possible, as this minimizes contact to: [duffieldfundraising@gmail.com](mailto:duffieldfundraising@gmail.com)

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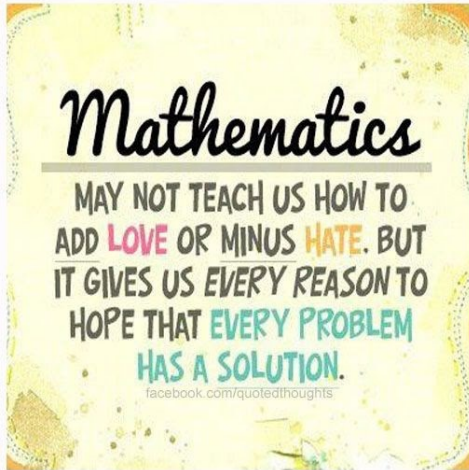
## **From the Literacy Corner...**

“There is no such thing as a child who hates to read; there are only children who have not found the right book”. ~Frank Serafini

Therefore, I challenge you to find the right book with your child this summer! How to do this? The confidence that comes with feeling like a successful reader who has the freedom to read whatever they choose, cannot be underestimated!

Summer Reading Challenge:

- ◆ Read a new book from your favourite author
- ◆ Read one new book every week
- ◆ Join or create your own book club
- ◆ Read one book that's related to your favourite subject in school
- ◆ Read an autobiography or a biography
- ◆ Read a book that takes place in another world
- ◆ Read a book recommended by your best friend
- ◆ Pick a random book to read from the library
- ◆ Read a book series
- ◆ Read a book your teacher recommends
- ◆ Read your parent's favourite children's book
- ◆ Read a book by an author who has the same initials as you do
- ◆ Read a book that is also a movie.
- ◆ Read a play and act out your favourite scene with your family.
- ◆ Read a book that was published the year you were born.
- ◆ Reread your favourite book of all time.



“Mathematics classrooms should be places where students: Believe mathematics helps them with their lives, not because they will see the same types of problems in the real world but because they are learning to think quantitatively and abstractly and developing an inquiry relationship with math.”

Exemplary students will:

- ◆ Demonstrate their knowledge of the mathematical laws and algorithms taught.
- ◆ Provide new and novel ideas related to “real world” applications for math.
- ◆ Has number-sense - considers the numbers being worked with, and chooses the best strategy.
- ◆ Analyze and critique own and others work.
- ◆ Follow a logical path, using appropriate units and formulas.