

JUNE 2020

# DUFFIELD DIGEST

Monthly Newsletter



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## Grade 9 FAREWELL

Look back with a *Smile*  
Go forward with *Courage*  
Congratulations ~ this is just the beginning!



# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Written by Dianne Jewell

Thank you for your continued support, kindness and resilience over the last few months. This has been a school year like no other, and while challenging, we have been able to navigate this new learning reality together while learning to adapt to this new educational environment.

As a staff we have had great days with our students since March 16th, and our families have definitely risen to the new challenge of at-home learning. I hope that you and your children have been able to work together with our staff to make educational progress this year. We are thankful for all that you have done for your family in such unknown circumstances. It is during this time that there has been a new sense of the importance of education.

I cannot thank all of our staff and families enough for creating a caring environment for our students whether it is in our building or at home. Taking the time to contact students and let them know how important they are and how integral it is to be life-long learners has been amazing to see with staff. Our educational assistants have been meeting with students online to help with their school work, to do guided reading, and to maintain positive relationships for student mental health- it is commendable.

June 19th will be the last day of at-home instruction. Teachers will spend the last week of school making contact with students, gathering final assignments and preparing report cards; however, we are also looking forward to the fall. At this time, we have no idea what school might look like in September, whether we will have an adapted schedule, be back to “normal”, or continue with at-home learning. You can count on our Staff to continue to be dedicated to the growth of our students. As needs change and emerge, please be aware that Duffield School will continue to make the 2020-2021 school year a great one!

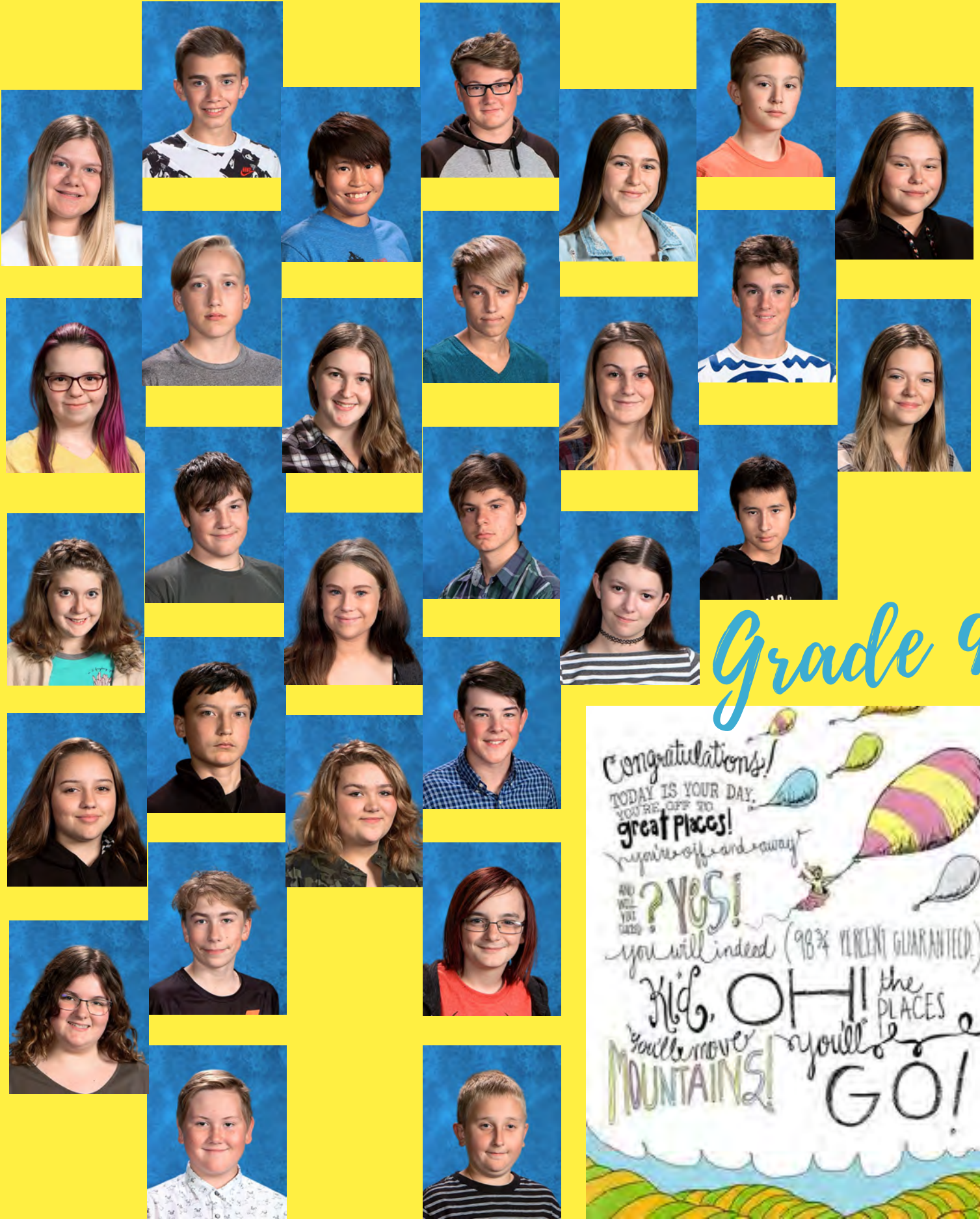
Lastly, thank you for your patience and helping us develop as a community school together. Throughout the school year we have had dedicated volunteers that have helped make Duffield School what it is today. To our parents, grandparents, volunteer firefighters, School Council, and the DPAC fundraising committee, we could not have the school we do without you! I sincerely thank you for your ongoing efforts to help our students, families, and our community as a whole.

I hope that you will find ways to relax and rejuvenate over the summer and I look forward to seeing you all back in the fall.

Grade 9 Parents - Please send baby photos in to Ms. Jewell or Mr. Nordstrom if you haven't already! Thank you to those of you who have already done so.







# Grade 9







# School Supplies

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Report cards will be released on  
June 26, 2020!  
Check your  
PowerSchool Parent Portal!

**Yearbook 2019/2020 will be  
available this summer!**  
Please, email any  
"school at home" photos to  
[duffield@psd70.ab.ca](mailto:duffield@psd70.ab.ca)



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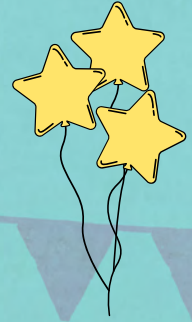
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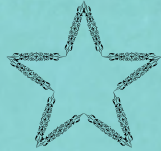


# Mrs. Satermo - Learning



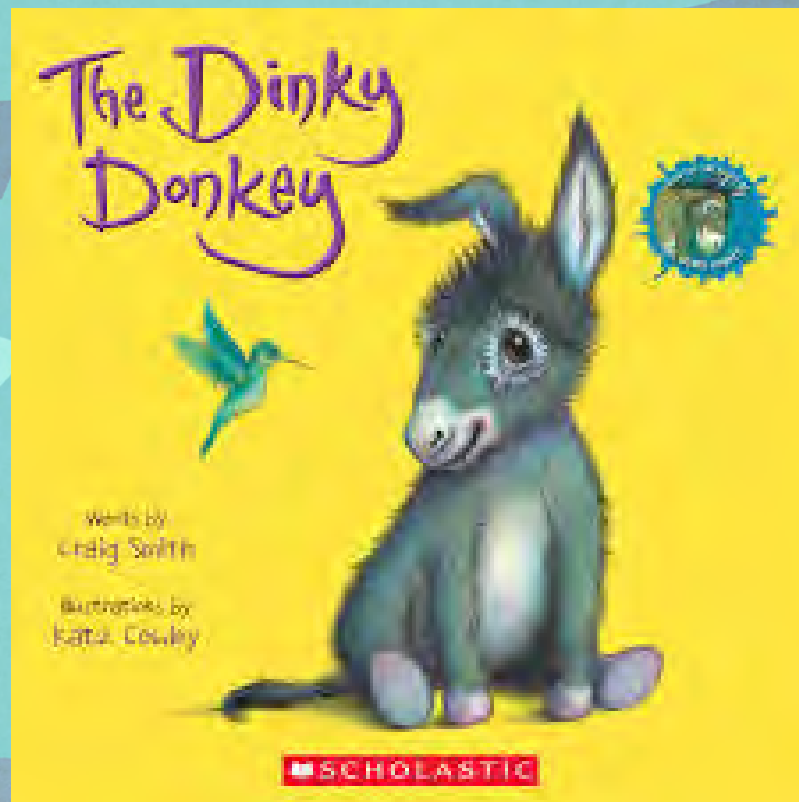
from afar!

Grade 2 / 3



After 7 weeks of our Tournament of Books the kids have finally determined the winner for the best book of 2020! It was easy at the beginning to determine which books they liked best but as time went on and their favorite books started to versus each other and the decision began to get a bit trickier. There were a few close races.

The  $\frac{2}{3}$  are pleased to announce that the BEST BOOK OF 2020 is the Dinky Donkey By Craig Smith Illustrated By Katz Cowley. This book is a laugh-out-loud follow-up to the viral sensation The Wonky Donkey! The Dinky Donkey follows the same formula that made its predecessor a worldwide hit. This book won by a landslide because it was so funny. If you get the change to buy, borrow or rent this book - do it!





# Duffield Public Library News!

Duffield Library is still here for you! We may not be physically open, but we are still offering many programs and services.

## \*\*NEW

Duffield Library is excited to launch their first virtual Teen Book Club “**Teen Book Beat**” on Instagram, check us out: [pc\\_librariesteen](#). If you have a teen interested, message on Instagram to Teen Book Club.

[Other services we are still offering are:](#)

**Virtual Inventors Club on Thursdays**  
**Teen Book Club on Wednesdays**  
**Virtual Storytime @ 10am on Mondays**

We also have free books to take that are displayed outside on carts, along with free craft grab bags free to take for some fun and entertainment.

**Don't have a free library card yet?** Get one online today from our website! Library card memberships gives you access to hundreds of movies, music, audiobooks, magazines using Hoopla, Overdrive, and RB digital.

## Find Books for Curbside Pickup in 4 Simple Steps!

**You cannot order books from other libraries, but you can take books from your library.**

1. Go to [www.tracpac.ab.ca](http://www.tracpac.ab.ca)
2. At the top left of the screen, click “library”. Scroll down and select your local library.
3. Immediately below the centre search bar, click the arrow beside “All formats”, and click “All formats at this branch”.
4. You're ready to search for books that are only at your library for curbside pickup!

Call us or email to request the books you've found. And don't hesitate to contact us for help with any step!

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