# Duffield Drop Newsletter

February 1, 2025

### Happy February!





February is always such a special month in school, as we celebrate the importance of friendship and kindness. We have some short weeks in February with Teachers' Convention, a PD Day, and also Family Day but we know that the month will be filled with lots of learning and fun!

Enjoy a wonderful month and I look forward to connecting with you in the school!

Cherie Lovsund

### Duffield Kindergarten Open House



## February 12, 2025 6-7 pm

Open houses are designed as information nights, where parents/guardians can visit the school, see the kindergarten classroom, meet the staff and learn more about the kindergarten program and what their child will be doing and learning while they are part of it. Students are invited to attend with a parent/guardian.

Events for French Immersion and Nature Programming are on different days. Please see the Parkland School Division Website for more information about alternate programming.

# February Spirit Days

February 13th- Early Valentine's Day Celebration- Wear Red/White/Pink

February 24th-28th- Kindness Tree (Each class will receive a hand/heart for students to colour in about kindness. Student Council will create the tree on a bulletin board.)

February 26th- National Pink Shirt Day-Wear a pink shirt to promote Anti-bullying.



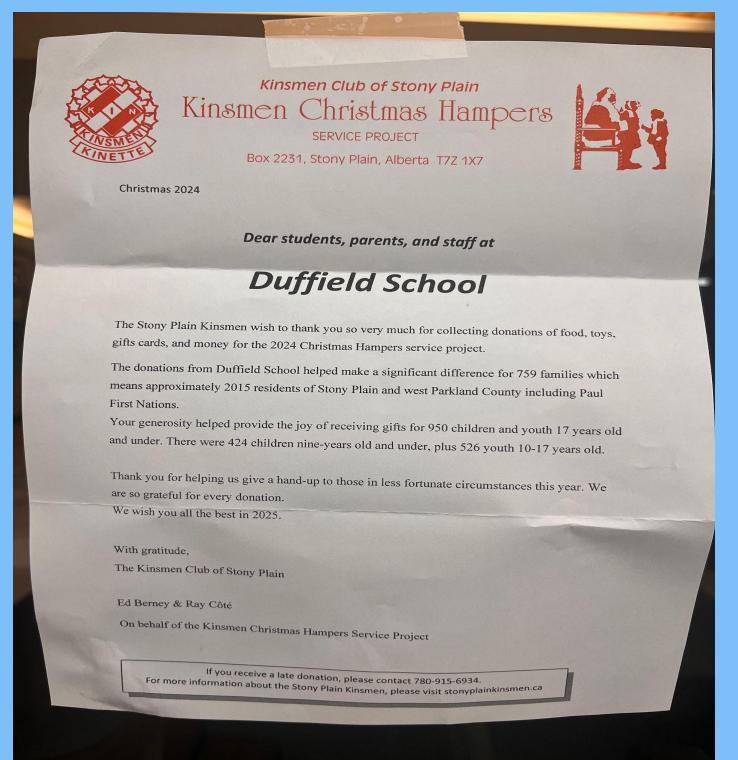
# Thank you to our counselor, Mrs. Owen!!

The first week of February is Counselor Appreciation week and we are so grateful for Mrs. Owen's positivity and commitment to our students. She cares so deeply about our students' well being and is such an important part of our staff.





# Thank you to our Families at Duffield!







### Thinking about Attendance...



### WAYS TO ENCOURAGE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE



#### **GET READY**

Help your child get organized for school the night before.



#### **SHOW INTEREST**

Ask your child questions about school and celebrate accomplishments.



### **TALK ABOUT IT**

Discuss the importance of going to school every day and arriving on time.



#### **BE CONSISTENT**

Maintain regular bedtime and morning routines.

#### PLAN AHEAD

Schedule appointments and vacations for when school is not in session.

#### REACH OUT

Contact teachers or school administrators about ways to help your child feel comfortable at school.

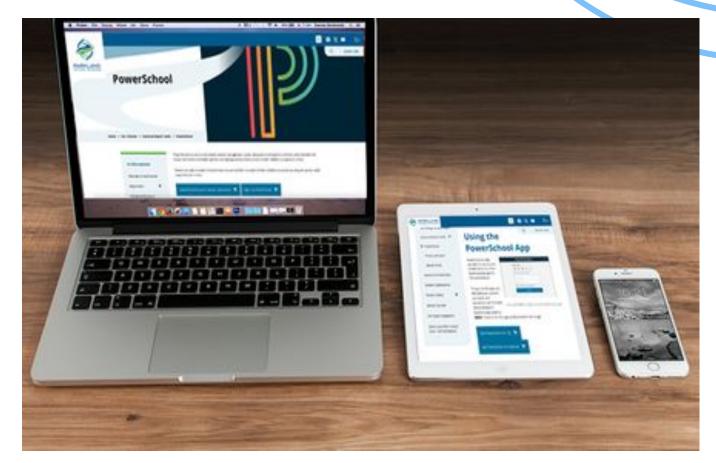


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### 2025-2026 Registration

Our Registration for 2025-2026 will open on **February 10** and will close on **March 28**. Please be sure to go in to update for the upcoming school year! Registration is important for planning bus routes and also our classroom configurations. If you know of anyone with a Kindergarten-aged student for the upcoming year, please share this information with them so that they can register as well!



### Play Parkland

Play Parkland will be starting on February 4 for our Grade 3-5 students. A schedule has been sent home with permission forms and our students are very excited about the opportunity to swim, skate, participate in games, and go to Aerials Gymnastics!



# Purdys Fundraiser to support our Grade 9 Farewell

Please click on the link below for further information about our Easter fundraiser!!

### https://fundraising.purdys.com/1514528-126217







## Duffield Out of School Care Grand Opening February 1, 2025!

We are very excited to welcome Cindy Van Beers and the Duffield OSC (Out of School) employees!
Our OSC will operate from 6:30 am - starting bell and then again from 2:30-6:00 pm.

### Licensed

- subsidy available for qualifying families
- -\$10.00 per day for Kindergarten children

Please check out our website at <u>parklandosc.ca</u> or contact Cindy for more information. 780-918-7825

### Duffield Winter Walk

We will be taking advantage of the beauty of winter by participating in a Winter Walk on February 5 at 1:45. We encourage parents and families to join us outside while we walk as a whole school!





February 12 is POPCORN DAY!!
We will be collecting money for
Popcorn Day on February 5 and
students will be able to enjoy
delicious popcorn on February 12,
in the afternoon.

Popcorn bags are \$1.00!!

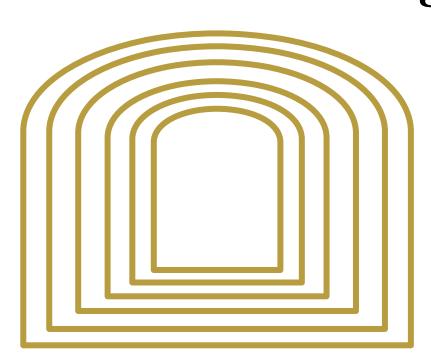


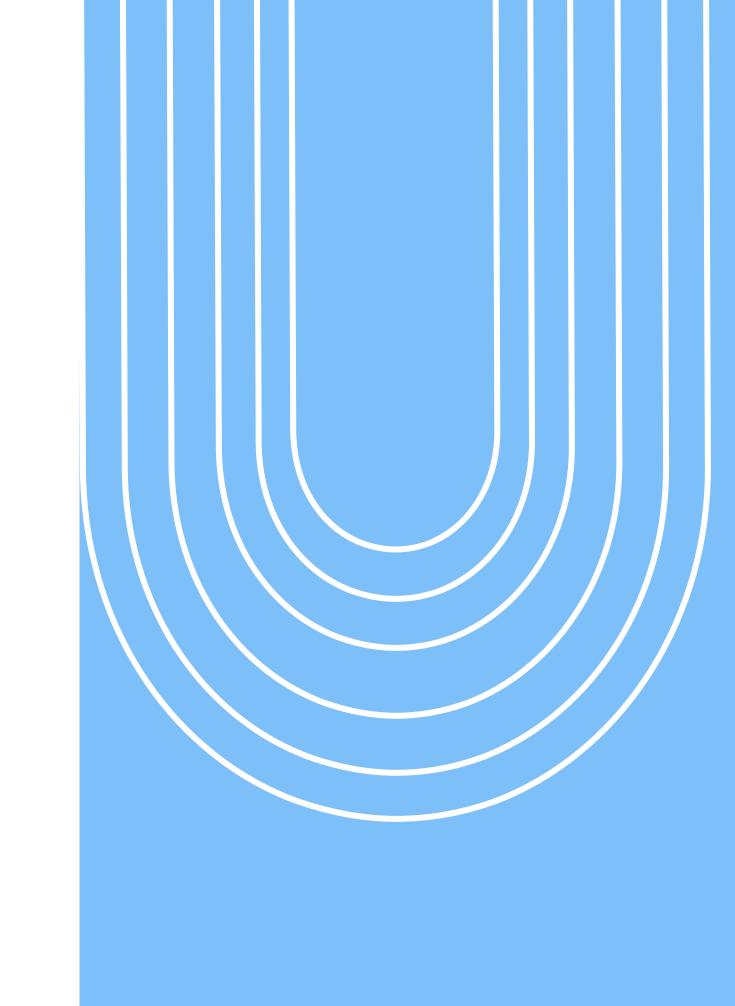
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# School Council Meeting

- February 18, 2025
- 6:00-7:00
- Duffield School or Online
- We would love to see new faces at our meetings!





### DPAC Fundraising

- Make it Sow Fundraiser is coming in February!!! Get all your seeds for spring planting with this great fundraiser.
- Popcorn Day February 12 \$1.00 a bag
   Money will be collected on February 5.
- Look for exciting information about a 50/50 \$\$\$ online fundraiser happening soon!!

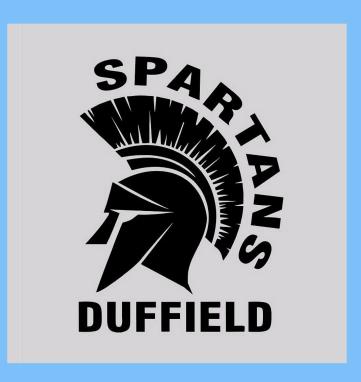
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Duffield School



<u>duffieldspartans</u>



# Hot Dog Day Please note that the next Hot Dog Day is February 26.



### School Fees

As you know, it is the time of year in which we need to collect school fees! Our school website has a detailed description of fees, by Grade level, but I have also included the list below. I know that the amount of money needed to run our school activities seems a lot but know that we do what we can to minimize costs to our families. And know that in order to attend field trips and school cultural events, we do need these costs to have been paid in advance. If it is easier to pay the fees in smaller increments, our school secretary, Ms. Shave, can help you with the process. Thank you so much for paying your child's school fees for the year.

Duffield School Fee Schedule 2024-2025

Please call the school office with any questions about school fees.

### Share a Thought:

Visit our school website to share your thoughts!

Duffield School



## February 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6 Teachers' Convention No School	7 Teachers' Convention No School
10	11	12	13 Spirit Day - Wear Red/White/Pink	14 PD DAY No School
17 Family Day No School	18 School Council 6-7 pm	19	20	21
24	25	26 National Pink Shirt Day Wear Pink Hot Dog Day Monthly Assembly 1:45	27	28

# February is a month of kindness and friendship here at Duffield!

We look forward to welcoming all of our families into the school!!!