

Dorothy Dalglish School

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November 2022

Message from the Principal

Hello DDS Families!

DDS staff are hoping everyone enjoyed the month of October (the Halloween costumes were fun to see) and are looking forward to another eventful month in November! Staff have been learning and implementing number talks - a daily numeracy exercise aimed at building number sense and fluency. Be sure to ask your child about it.

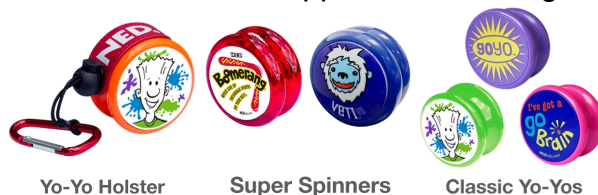


A special thank you to the Public School Betterment Society of Picture Butte (PSBSPB) for hosting another successful Harvest Gala Fundraiser. We raised over \$40,000 for our school. We are so grateful to the sponsors, volunteers and community members that made this event possible. Thank you!

On November 8th, DDS will be hosting NED's Mindset Mission, a 45-minute virtual presentation to all students. A captivating performer will take our students on a journey filled with humor, yo-yo and magic tricks, puppetry and storytelling. NED's Mindset Mission introduces a cartoon character named NED who is on a very important mission: to find his mindset. Led by clues and memorable characters, he overcomes Mt. Everest's toughest obstacles, uncovers inner-treasures on a Caribbean island, and grows his brain while repairing a sputtering spaceship. Throughout the performance, students discover how to activate their growth mindset to overcome social, emotional and academic challenges.

NED's message will inspire students, promote a growth mindset, and support our school goals.

**Never give up
Encourage others
Do your best**



Yo-yos will be available for purchase after the presentation and the week of November 15-18th.

November is a very busy month. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held in-person on Thursday, November 24th. We have picture retakes, a few hot lunches and the Little Caesar's Pizza Fundraiser, just to name a few. We will also be attending a Remembrance Day ceremony on Thursday, November 10th at PBHS where our DDS choir will perform a song.

We're looking forward to another great month of learning and growing together!






Yours in learning,

Crystal McGregor



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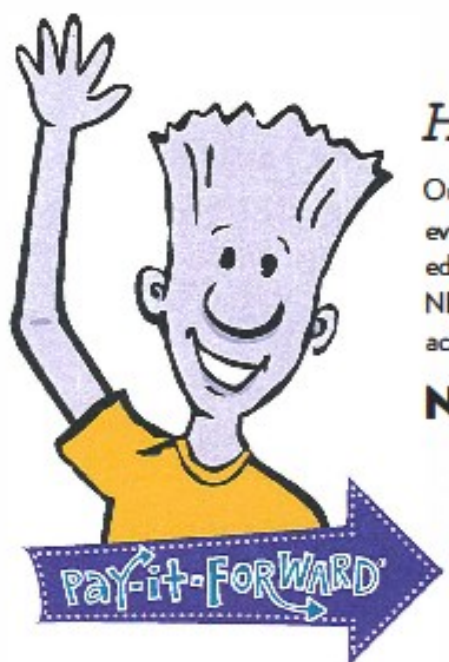
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Th	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Hot Dog Lunch 	4	5
6	7	8 NED's Mindset Mission Presentation 	9	10 Spirit Day "DDS BLUE" Hot Lunch Pizza  Gr. 4-6 Dance 6:30PM—8:00PM	11  Remembrance Day NO SCHOOL FOR STAFF OR STUDENTS	12
13 No school for Staff or Students	14 No school for Staff or Students	15	16 Lifetouch School Picture Re-Takes Grade 4, 5, 6 Art Presentation	17 Hot Lunch Soft Taco 	18  Report Cards go home	19
20	21	22	23 Little Caesars Pizza order forms and payment due back to the school	24 Hot Lunch Chili  Parent/Teacher Interviews	25 NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS PD FOR TEACHERS Kindergarten Parent/Teacher Interviews	26
27	28	29	30	Lifetouch School Picture orders are due by November 14, 2022 You can order online, instructions are included with your child's picture package that was sent home. If you are ordering with the paper form, orders with payment must be returned to the school before November 14, 2022 Thank you.		

Dorothy Dalglish School Fundraiser—Little Caesars Pizza Kits

Go to: [Pizzakit.ca](https://pizzakit.ca) Fundraiser ID# 410775

It's time for you, your friends, and your family to stock up with Little Caesars® Pizza Kits! Have them on hand for quick dinners, parties or entertaining!





Hello Families!

Our school is hosting **NED's Mindset Mission**, a live streaming all school event. A world-class performer takes our students on an interactive educational journey filled with storytelling, illusions, yo-top tricks and humor. NED's message and memorable friends inspire students, promote academic achievement, and support our school goals.

Never give up Encourage others Do your best®

Our school received this program at no-cost.

A yo-top is both a mindset tool and tangible reminder of NED's message. While learning to yo, children will make mistakes, try again, and improve. Read more at www.MindsetMission.com/yoyos.

Collectible yo-tops for all ages

SHOW DATE/TIME: November 8, 2022 LOCATION: Dorothy Dalglish School

SALE DATES/TIME: November 8, 2022 & November 15 to 18, 2022 LOCATION: Dorothy Dalglish School

CLASSIC YOS

Learn the basics of yo-yoing with assorted fixed axle yo-tops.

\$10



SUPER SPINNERS

Great for basic and intermediate tricks. With a strong throw, these auto-return yo-tops 'sleep' at the end of the string & then come back to you automatically.

\$12



SPECIALTY SELECTION

Assorted professional long spin yo-tops for next level tricks!

\$16



REPLACEMENT STRING PACK

Ten assorted strings to change color or replace a worn out yo-top string.

\$4



YO-TOP HOLSTER

Keep track of your yo and have it ready to go. Attach it to your belt loop or backpack (yo-top not included).

\$8



Order Form:

Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Amount Due: _____

Make checks payable to our school.

Ordering from Home?

1. Select item(s) for each child
2. Fill out the form on the left and email in your order
3. Items available at school for pick-up



Items available will vary.
Prices include tax
(where applicable).

Kindergarten News

It has been great seeing all the enthusiasm of the boys and girls as we moved through another month of school.

I can't wait to see what November brings.

THEMES: Our themes for November are Fairy Tales and Nursery Rhymes

In **Language Arts** we will be doing literacy activities that revolve around the following stories: Goldilocks and the 3 Bears, The 3 Little Pigs and The 3 Billy Goats Gruff. The boys and girls will also be working on rhyming words.

In **Math** we are learning about shapes and numbers.

In **Science** we will be learning about magnets.

In **Social** we are learning about being **Unique**.

Thank you Mrs. Pittman for the wonderful book fair. Thank you to the Juhar family for donating pumpkins for class to paint. The children loved them. Thank you to the parents who sent cupcakes for us to decorate. Thank you to the parent volunteers who came to our Halloween party and helped with our special centers. The Kindergarten children and I really appreciate all your help.

Thank you to the hot lunch moms. We love hot lunches.

Thank you to all the DDS staff for supporting and helping our students.

Just a reminder:

We go outside every day, so please remember to dress for the changing weather.

I am looking forward to seeing you all for parent/teacher interviews so we can celebrate your children and talk about the goals that they will be working on.

Stay warm,
Mrs. Grandmont



Grade 1 News

And October in Grade 1 has come and gone! We had another busy month! We started off with an amazing field trip to the Helen Schuler Nature Centre and the Galt Museum. It was so amazing to be able to go out into the community again and learn about new things.

Grade 1 thoroughly enjoyed the Book Fair that Mrs. Pittman organized for us! Our love of books is increasing! We have been busy continuing on with our learning to read. I cannot believe how far my students have come in such a short amount of time.

In Numeracy, we are venturing into new territory by learning about numbers in the hundreds. Man, looking back, teaching numbers to 100 was a snap, but these little minds are doing a fantastic job pushing beyond their comfort zones.



In Art, the Grade 1s created their very own “Fall Trees” that show all of the wonderful Autumn colors. They did an amazing job!

We also enjoyed a wonderful day of Halloween celebrations and are looking forward to all that November has to bring us.



A special thanks to Mrs. Pittman for the Book Fair, our special moms for all the great hot lunches, and the Home and School Council for always supporting our wants and needs at DDS!
Here's greeting November with a smile!

Mrs. Nish



Grade 2 News



We had a very busy October! We had a wonderful time on our field trip to the Helen Schuler Nature Center and Galt Museum - we had fun making butter and learning about the food chain. We came dressed in our best smiles for picture day and in art we worked hard on making our own monsters in preparation for Halloween. We enjoyed a class Halloween party (thank you to all of the parents who brought snacks!) and a school-wide Halloween parade. Also, it was a ton of fun picking out new books at the Book Fair - THANK YOU Mrs. Pittman for all of your hard work. Speaking of books...we also went to the Picture Butte Public Library as a class. Students really enjoyed learning about all the library services and programs offered. Library cards are free again this year and a great way for kids to get access to new books! As a class, we started a home reading program where students are entered into draws for various prizes.

In math, we finished up our place value unit on hundreds, tens, and ones. We even did a class project where we ran a candy store and did lots of activities related to place value, like tracking inventory, ordering supplies, making sales, and advertising. We are now working on even or odd, comparing numbers using greater than or less than, and ordering numbers.

In writing, we have been focused on personal narratives - writing true stories about our life. We learned three different ways to 'hook' our reader. We also learned how to transition into a beginning, middle, and end, and thought up some fun ways to conclude our story! Coming up we look forward to letter writing - as we prepare for a final project of writing letters to Santa.

In reading and bell work we have started reading centers, which include printing, bell work, flashlight reading, online reading, partner reading, word games, reading with an adult, and more!

In science, we are continuing to learn about Hot and Cold. We did experiments this month that included finding a way to melt chocolate, creating heat, and a craft where we made our own thermometers. We enjoyed ice cream sundaes as we learned about why some things are cold - and why we get brain freeze! In November, we will start our first social unit - A Community in the Past! We are excited to learn how and why communities change over time.

In the gym, we are learning volleyball skills! We tried keeping a balloon in the air and learned some ways to hit it to our partners. We even got to try some skills on the real volleyballs! Next, we are excited for more team and tag games, and floor hockey! We are also learning about Empathy in health.

If you have any questions, please send me a message on Class Dojo, email me, or phone the school. I am excited for another great month!



Miss Giesbrecht

Gr. 2 Field trip to Helen Schuler Nature Center and The Galt Museum



Grade 3 at
Indian Battle
Park

Grade 3

Grade 3 at
Picture Butte
Reservoir



Grade 3 News

We are going to start reading Stone Fox as a class to explore and practice comprehension strategies that good readers use, and we are also working daily on learning the 6 syllable types which will help us to decode tricky words when reading independently. Throughout this year students will be reading a variety of books and will hopefully enjoy the many genres they encounter. So far we have read numerous picture books, Socks and Flat Stanley. In the very near future students will be bringing home their own flat characters so watch for a note explaining how this project works!



The grade 3 class is continuing their work on writing personal narratives. Everyone has chosen their favorite story to focus on, adding details, trying different story leads and revising to make it their very best. I can't wait to have students share their finished pieces!

In math we are finishing a unit on place value with our next unit being addition and subtraction. Our social studies unit is learning about goods and services, celebrations and traditions, leaders, quality of life, geography, and rights and responsibilities that we have in our own community and then comparing these areas to Peru. In science we are finishing up rocks and minerals and we will move on to our hearing and sound unit next.

Congratulations to Tavish and Decker for getting 100% on five spelling tests in a row! They have "bumped up" to a more challenging group and I am so proud of how hard they have worked!

THANK YOU to families who encourage their children to read, study spelling words, or practice math skills each night as this habit will definitely benefit them in the future! I really appreciate all of your support!

Thanks to families who contributed to our "Pampering Moms" basket which was sold at the Harvest Gala Fundraiser. Our basket received the highest bid in the silent auction so our class will enjoy a pizza party. I will let you know the details when it is arranged.

Also a huge thank you to any families who provided some Halloween treats for our students. We had a lot of fun at our Halloween party!

Thank you to Mrs. Pittman for another fabulous Scholastic Book Fair! We love books and we love reading in grade 3!

In November we will be welcoming Miss Smith to our class. She is a PSI student teacher from the University of Lethbridge and she will be participating in our classroom for the next 5 weeks. We're very excited to have her join grade 3!

Mrs. Gurr

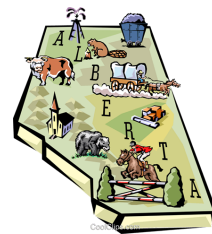


Grade 4 News

Wow, how October has flown by!

Here's a quick glance at what we have been learning:

- We have gotten into a solid routine for our Independent Literacy choices where students get to choose reading and writing activities, while I read with a small group.
- Students have gotten started on writing some realistic fiction stories. They are coming up with some great stories and I am looking forward to our writing celebration at the end of the month.
- In Math, we have been working on adding and subtracting numbers to 1000, as well as reading the time on an analog and digital clock.
- We have begun learning about Alberta and its vastness in Social Studies. Ask your student what they know about the regions in Alberta!
- We have got quite the team of developing volleyball players in our class! Those other schools better watch out in 2-3 years when we hit the courts!



Special Notes & Reminders:

- Thank you to everyone who was able to donate to our class' Gala basket! It was a hit at the silent auction. And, thank you to everyone involved in organizing and running the Gala. Your hard work will not go unnoticed in our school!
- Thank you to Mrs. Pittman for running yet another amazing Book Fair! I know the students enjoyed the opportunity to shop new books and gadgets, and the winners for the prizes were so grateful!
- Thank you to Sabrina at CPAWS for providing us with such a rich learning experience during our field trip to Beauvais Lake! And thank you to all the staff involved in organizing and supervising this trip!



**Thanks so much,
Miss Mastel**



Grade Five


For November we will be shifting our focus from whole group reading and comprehension activities, to small guided reading groups that target students' specific learning needs. Students will continue to learn about the elements of a story (problem, solution, characters, setting) and how monitoring our understanding of these elements helps us to build stronger comprehension overall. Students will also learn about types of conflict, how to use context clues to decode unfamiliar words, and text features. In November we will apply our learning to a new genre (biography) with the story "Courage and Honour" which tells about the life of an Indigenous Canadian veteran of World War II.



In writing the class has extended their understanding of sentence structure to paragraph writing using a hamburger analogy. Students practiced writing and identifying topic sentences, relevant and irrelevant details, transition words/phrases, and closing sentences. Students honed their paragraph writing skills through their reading responses, fall themed prompts, writing stations, as well as student-directed writing time.

In math we are swimming right along, continuing to focus on building mathematical mindsets and communicating our thinking. Students have begun their study of fractions and decimals with a focus on naming and representing numbers less than one in a variety of ways. In November we will continue this focus on fractions and decimals using models to visualize the values in order to compare and order numbers in both forms. The class will continue to engage in Number Talks and open-ended math challenges as part of our weekly routine.

Notes:

- Library classes are every Thursday. A BIG thank you to Mrs. Pittman for all her work in the library and for another successful book fair!
- Thank you to all the families who supported our Harvest Gala fundraiser in any way - we really appreciate it:)
- Also a HUGE thank you to our hot lunch parent volunteers 

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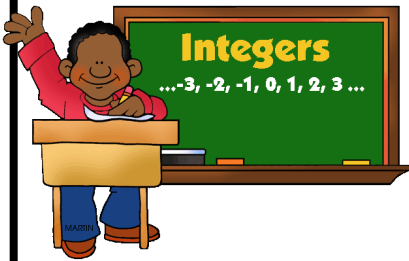
Ms. Mohrmann



Grade 6 News

The year is just zooming by! Our Grade 4-6 students enjoyed their nature trip to Beauvais Lake as part of the CPAWS (Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society) program to help students understand our role in supporting and protecting natural habitats. A big shout goes out to Mrs. Pittman for throwing another fantastic Book Fair! Grade 6 students continue to enjoy writing and broadcasting our morning announcements. Students are also enjoying MCing assemblies and helping out with leadership tasks. We are planning a November Dance for Grade 4-6 which should be an exciting event for our older students!

In **Language Arts**, students are engaged in our "Writing About Literature" writing unit. We are studying short stories with the intention of applying our 'Elements of Story' concepts to several literary pieces. Students enjoyed the absurd "Wife of Bath's Tale" by Geoffrey Chaucer, and will begin the serendipitous story "Knife" by Sarah Ellis. Students are using a storytelling arc graphic organizer to identify, and write about specific parts of story plot. Identifying types of characters and character traits is also a focus of this writing unit. Students continue to improve spelling and word skill through weekly word sorts and our Word of the Day daily vocabulary routine.



In **Mathematics**, we are seeing continued growth in mental math during our Number Talk segments. In our current Number Sense unit, students are gaining an understanding of integers and applying them in equations. We are also revisiting multi digit addition and subtraction, exponents, and continued practice with order of operations.

In **Science**, we are drawing to the end of our Trees and Forests unit as students are investigating concepts such as food chain webs, transpiration, types of leaves and trees, and threats to forest biomes.

In **Social Studies**, students have been eager to discuss the Canadian judicial system, the rule of law, levels of government, direct and representative government, duties and responsibilities of citizens, and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.



****Please encourage your kiddo to read at home for 30 minutes every evening!**

****If you haven't already joined Remind, jump on this app for updates. Use the following link:
[rmd.at/68kg2a](https://remind101.com/join/rmd.at/68kg2a)**


"Every leaf speaks bliss to me, fluttering from the autumn tree." - Emily Brontë

Ms. Milne



Grade 6 Shenanigans

Grade 6's participated in the "Pep Rally" at PBHS—an exciting, fun event!

Students and Staff said good bye to Mrs. Wobick, she will be missed at DDS. Mrs. Wobick will now share her talents at Sunnyside School, we wish her the very best 

Grade 6 students having fun!



Music Class News

October has flown by and we have had so much fun singing about fall themes...especially leaves and pumpkins!

In Kindergarten, we have continued to focus on finding our singing voice and have really enjoyed exploring high and low by growing into tall trees that drop leaves on our heads in fall. We have also been adding special sound effects to stories during our music time. In the gym, Kindergarten students have been moving in many different ways (locomotor skills), have enjoyed balancing bean bags on different body parts and have learned about fire safety.

The Grade 1 class continues to show their creativity for making up new words to songs and showing high and low while singing or doing actions with a parachute. We have also continued to talk about and listen to music from the different instrument families such as woodwinds, percussion, brass, and strings.

In Grade 2, this group of enthusiastic singers has enjoyed a variety of singing games with actions and using scarves to demonstrate falling leaves. We also had a lot of fun adding sound effects to the story "Run, Turkey Run".

In Grade 3, we have been singing, clapping rhythm patterns, and trying different bean bag singing games. We have also been echo singing using solfege hand signs.

The Grade 4 class has had a lot of fun learning a partner/line song as our warm-up activity. They are also getting very proficient at beating me at Poison Rhythm 😊 We continue to explore music from different parts of the world.

The Grade 5 & 6 students are differentiating beat and rhythm and have enjoyed learning some body percussion patterns. We have also been doing rhythm play-alongs with orchestral music as well as playing music themed games.

I hope you have all had an opportunity to hear your child sing or share something they have learned in music class. As a special note, I have started a lunchtime choir every Thursday from 12:00 - 12:20 for Grade 1 - 6 students and we will be performing a special song for the Remembrance Day Assembly on Nov. 10th!

*If your child has joined choir, they will need to dress in a black shirt (no print or logo) for the performance. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Mrs. Neufeld





Student of the Week

Grade 6	Shayna
Grade 5	Jersey
Grade 4	Darius
Grade 4	Raylee
Grade 3	Tavish
Grade 2	Blayde

GOOD JOB!

**Spirit Cup Winners
for**

"DDS Blue Day"



**Great
school spirit
Grade 1!**



Student of the Week

Grade 6	Gregory
Grade 5	Skylar
Grade 4	Rylan
Grade 3	Kaitlyn
Grade 2	Hailee
Grade 1	Austin
Kindergarten	Angelina
Kindergarten	Kingsley

GOOD JOB!





Beauvais Lk. Park 2022





Corn Maze 2022



Terry Fox Challenge!



Students enjoyed "pie-ing" teachers, staff and parents for exceeding their fundraising goal for the Terry Fox Campaign. **Well done DDS!**



We had a very exciting October in the Library!!

We were the Adopt A School for the Lethbridge Chapters Store!



Chapters raised \$3,167.00
that will be put right into our library.
Pretty Fantastic!!!

We also held our Fall Scholastic Book Fair.



We had a fabulous Fair. We were able to purchase \$700.00 worth of books from Scholastic. Wow 🍌

We awarded ten students with free books with a special donation from the Gilchrist/Johnson family. ♥

Also a classroom was awarded books for their library.

Listed below are the winners of the book awards:

Sierra	Jaxon	Fallon	Max	Reuben
Jani	Emery	Oleksii	George	

Hannah & Miss Giesbrecht won the classroom draw

Ava and Blayde won the candy water bottles



Thank you to everyone for making these two events very successful!

School Council News

Wow! This past Saturday October 22 was our bi-annual gala, and we are left speechless and full of gratitude. It was a record-breaking fundraiser that has brought in over \$40,000 for our kids!

This would not have been possible without the support of you our parents, our donors, teachers, guests, Prime Catering for the amazing meal, The Cody Hall Band for the fantastic entertainment, Mr. McGregor for MCing and the volunteers who put in countless hours planning and preparing for the event.

Harvest Gala - PSBSPB



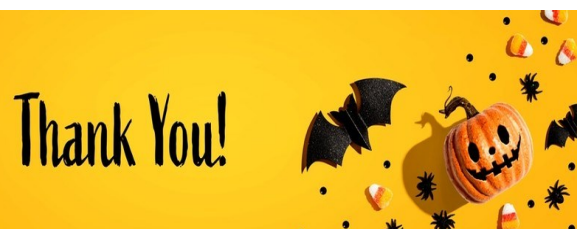
Council had a meeting on Tuesday October 25 where we discussed the gala and some upcoming events such as PSBSPB's Casino on March 8 & 9, 2023. If you'd like to volunteer and work a shift at the casino, or have any questions about council etc., please contact Michelle at jmmarti@shaw.ca

Hot lunch is off to a great start this year. We have a handful of volunteers which is allowing the program to run smoothly. We do want to recognize our sponsors once more, **Schooten & Sons Feedyard** and **6A Cattle Company**. Please contact Roxane at rsdrake@gmail.com if you're interested in helping in any way with hot lunch – cooking, serving or cleaning.





Thank you to Florence Drake for donating chips to the school .
 All our students enjoyed the special Halloween treat!





HALLOWEEN FUN





DOROTHY DALGLIESH SCHOOL

WORD OF THE MONTH

RESPONSIBILITY