

Dufferin Elementary
NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

November 1st, 2023

'Home of the Dragons'



Come Read with Me - October 17th - Grade One Parents and Students learned reading techniques together

Remembrance - Lest We Forget

Remembrance Day is such a meaningful time of reflection. On Friday, November 10th, the Staff, Students and Community Members will take time to recall why we have the freedoms we enjoy each and every day. Please feel free to join us at 10:45 AM in our Gym.

As always we want to have good, positive, and clear communication with our families, therefore please remember to call or email to book an appointment with school staff. We all live very busy lives and appreciate open communication.

Mr. G. Cumming ~ Principal

Monthly Calendar of Events

November 9th	PAC Meeting @ 6 pm in the Library
November 10th	Remembrance Day Assembly @ 10:45 am
November 13th	Remembrance Day (recognized) NO SCHOOL
November 15th	Lions Club Grade 3 & 6 Vision Screening
December 15th	First Term Report Cards Issued
Week of Dec 18th	Winter Celebration - MORE INFO TO COME



ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT -

It is your responsibility to inform the school if your child is going to be late or absent. We have a “safe arrival” program at Dufferin Elementary. **Please call 1-844-350-2647 before 8:30 am or visit: [ktsd.schoolconnects.com](https://www.ktsd.schoolconnects.com)** In addition, be sure your child knows what the family plan is for their after school care **before** they go to school. If the after school care is different from the norm be sure to write a reminder for your child in their agenda book. If your child will be riding on a bus they don’t normally ride or will be getting off at a different bus stop, write a dated consent note for the bus driver.

If your child is going to be arriving late, please remind them that they must check in at the office.

Bell Schedule 2023-24

Welcome Bell: Students enter the Building	8:25 am
School Starts: Students ready to learn	8:30 am
Recess	10:10 am
Students re-enter school	10:25 am
Lunch - eating in the classroom	12:05 pm
Lunch - Play time outside	12:25 pm
Lunch Ends - Classes resume	1:05 pm
Dismissal	2:41 pm

Hot Lunch Program Info

Dufferin will be running a Friday, Hot Lunch Program - A BIG thank you to Lisa Peterson for her time and effort

Munch-A-Lunch - The Meal menus for Munchalunch can be found on their website.

Login to: <https://munchalunch.com/login.aspx> to place orders or to register a new account.

BUS DRIVERS & ROUTES

Bus Number	Route	Driver
21735	Cherry Creek	Glen
20730	Wallopier/Lac Le Jeune	Mary
18732	Tobiano	Brent
21739	Long Lake/Pineview	Don

If you have any problems or questions regarding bus routes, please call the Kamloops District Transportation Department @ 250-372-5853.



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SCHOOL STAFF ~

Principal: Mr. G. Cumming

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. A. Grywacheski

Certified Education Assistants:

Custodial Staff:

Tracey Mirtle

Trevor Dick

Kari Simons

David Walton

Terri Rowand

Kristi Taylor-Hanson (Library Assistant)

Julia Wright (AEW)

Primary Teaching Staff:

Intermediate Staff:

Jacqueline Carter/Stephanie Danyluk

Seema McGarry

Linda Thomas

Wes Mueller

Tiffany Cross

Kim Geoghegan

Donna Thomson

Josette Dalsin

Nicole Preymak

Lorry Eacrett

Brianna Lofgren

Janet McCloy (FA PREP)

Pam Lovett

Morgan Keith (PE PREP)

LARTS

Librarian

Michelle Bell

Nicole Gorman

Giuliana Barros

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR\$

We are looking for a few Lunch Time and Morning Supervisors. If you are interested **please contact Mr. Cumming at the school 250-374-4425. We do pay!**



X-Country Running Team - BIG thanks to Ms. Dalsin & Mrs. Cross for their time and effort

PAC

The next meeting is Thursday, November 9th @ 6:00 pm in the Library. We encourage you to be involved in your children's education. Our aim is to make our children's educational experience the best that it can be. Come and meet other parents and share your ideas and concerns. We need your support.

School Learning Plan

Information on Dufferin's School Learning Plan (SLP) can be found at:

[W 2023-24 September Copy SLP Dufferin .docx](#)

WET, WINTER WEATHER ~

With the wet, winter weather coming and that means proper footwear. Students should have an 'inside' pair of shoes, along with proper/adequate winter footwear. Students are encouraged to bang off their outdoor shoes prior to entering the school in order to keep hallways free of melting wet snow. We have sent home several messages to families to ensure that students are coming prepared for the cold weather and being outside. We do have extra winter coats, pants, toques, and mitts if need be.

