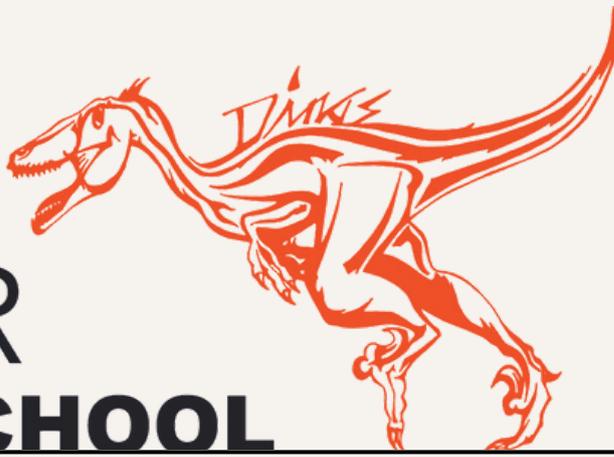


DEREK TAYLOR PUBLIC SCHOOL



<https://derek.taylor.gppsd.ab.ca/>

September 27, 2024



“Belong, Contribute, Learn and Celebrate - Together!”

Important Dates



September 30th - **(No School)**
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

October 2nd - Munch A Lunch - State and Main

October 4th - Crazy Hair Day

October 14th - **(No School) Happy Thanksgiving**

October 17th - Munch A Lunch - Pizza Hut

October 18th - Jersey Day

October 21st - Parent Council Meeting

October 25th - PLC Day - No School

October 31st - **Happy Halloween**

STEM AT DT



This month, STEM at Derek Taylor focused on **teamwork, communication, and problem-solving**. Through cooperative learning, students worked together to complete outdoor **DINO** themed challenges, sharing ideas and collaborating together. Students practiced their communication skills, considered and supported each other's ideas, and approached problem solving creatively. These activities strengthened new relationships, built confidence, and enhanced student's ability to tackle complex challenges together - something we will build upon in coming months.



And man, did we have FUN!



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Every Student Succeeds

PARENT COUNCIL!

Your Children
Will Be Proud
Of It.

Get Involved.
Be In The Know.

The Children
Will Benefit
From It.

Many Hands
Make Light
Work.

Meet New
Friends!!

You'll
Feel Good
About It.

It's easy! Attend a meeting, share your ideas, and see how you can contribute. No special skills are needed—just your passion for making a positive impact on the school.

What Does Our Parent Council Do?

- **Event Planning:** Help plan school activities, celebrations, and fundraisers.
- **Support Teachers & Students:** Provide valuable feedback and support for school projects, programs, and initiatives.
- **School Improvements:** Contribute to decisions about school facilities, equipment, and learning resources.

Your involvement makes a difference! By joining the Parent Council, you help create a better school experience for all students. It's a great way to stay informed, be an active part of the school community, and make your voice heard.

MEETING

October 21, 2024 6:30pm

Rotary



Dignity Drive

October 1 - October 31



TheDignityDrive



GPDignityDrive



DignityDrive.ca

Providing **new socks and underwear** to our region's homeless and less fortunate. These basics are a human need offering a measure of dignity and confidence



4th Annual Tightly-Whitey Toss October 25th @ 6:00pm

Bring your new **packaged** socks and underwear to the Storm game and toss them on the ice after The Storm's first goal!

Drop-off Locations



Beneficiaries





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Every Student Succeeds

Success in school starts with good attendance

Regular attendance helps students
stay connected and succeed in school.

Every day counts

Research shows when students, at any age, have good
attendance habits, they reach their full potential.



Establish a Routine

Setting expectations can help
your child succeed; consider
establishing routines.

- ✓ Morning
- ✓ After School & Homework
- ✓ Bed Time



Talk About Attendance

Helping your child understand
why it's important to be at
school every day is important.

- ✓ Create Good Habits
- ✓ Strengthen Relationships
- ✓ Build Confidence and
Self-Esteem



Connect With Us

We want every student
succeed; if you are concerned
about attendance reach out.

- ✓ www.gppsd.ab.ca/parents
- ✓ Contact Child's Teacher
- ✓ Contact School
Administration

Regular attendance is the foundation for our
students to be ready for the world of work.

- ✓ It's never too late to make attendance a priority



**ATTENDANCE
MATTERS**

Scan the QR code or
visit gppsd.ab.ca/attendance