

THIS WEEK AT BCHS Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety January 25 - January 29

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Please check our "This Week at BCHS" posted on our website along with an up to date BCHS Events Calendar <u>https://bchs.crps.ca/</u>

CRPS Homestay Program - Hosts needed 2021/2022

Our homestay families are an integral part of the International Student Program. CRPS is now accepting host applications for the Homestay Program for the 2021/2022 school year. Remuneration of \$1,025 is paid monthly per student. CRPS has COVID-19 protocols that international students must follow prior to arriving and upon arrival, including a mandatory 14-day quarantine period. For more information please <u>click here</u>.

End of Quarter 2

Tuesday January 26 is the last day of classes for Quarter 2. Students in grades 11 and 12 will be wrapping up their courses and will begin new courses beginning the first day of Quarter 3. Students in grades 9 and 10 will continue with their year long core subjects, but will wrap up their foods and Wild courses and begin construction and art in quarter 3.

Please note:

Tuesday January 26. There are no classes for students on Jan. 27/28.

- Wednesday January 27 is reserved as an assessment make up day for Grade 11/12 students that may have missed writing classroom assessments.
- Quarter 3 will begin on Friday January 29.

At Home Learning

Our priority with At Home learning is to provide a safe learning option for families who wish to isolate or restrict social interactions during the COVID - 19 pandemic. The At Home learning streams continue to be for students that have made the choice to learn in this virtual format. Live students that are sick or absent for a day are expected to stay at home, and rest up as would be the case in a typical school year. Work will be made up once the

student is well enough to return to classes. Families need to contact Mr. Shoemaker or Mr. Rogers if they intend on changing learning formats.

Parent Council

Our parent council acts as an advisory body to the Banff Community High School. Your voice is important in providing insight into the direction of our school. Please see the <u>minutes</u> from our January meeting. Our next meeting will be held virtually on March 1 at 4:15. We will be discussing items outlined in our shared agenda. All parents are welcomed and encouraged to participate in the discussion. Please see our website calendar for the link to the meeting.

2020-2021 School Calendar

The Week Ahead:

Monday, January 25 (Day 2)

Tuesday, January 26 (Day 3)

- Student Council Meeting at Lunch link shared via email to interested students
- Last Day of classes for quarter 2

Wednesday, January 27 (No school for students)

- Exam make up day No school for students
- Public School Board Meeting. Please follow the <u>link</u> to view the agenda for the upcoming meeting scheduled for January 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 28 (No school for students)

• Turn around day - No school for students

Friday, January 29 (Day 4) Full Day of school

- Full day of school
- First day of Quarter 3 classes

Some Key Dates you do not want to miss.

- February 15th Family Day no school for students this week:
 - February 15th 17th School Closures Dates
 - February 18th and 19th No School ATA teachers conference
- Monday March 1 4:15 <u>virtual</u> parent council meeting

How to Pay School Fees

The Banff Community High School preliminary school fee invoices are now available on <u>PowerSchool Parent Portal</u>. As the 2020/2021 school year is based on a quarter system with the flexibility to change learning preferences, we will charge course fees on a quarterly basis. As cost-incurring activities in Physical Education are limited at this time, fees are not currently being charged. Fees may be added as opportunities arise. Included on this invoice are our general fees and if applicable, any course fees for Quarter 1 options.

Debit or credit card payments can be made online through your Parent Portal <u>https://powerschool.crps.ca/public/</u>.

If you have any questions about School Fees, please contact Joanne Geyer. joanne.geyer@crps.ca.

Missing important happenings at BCHS, but are awash in emails? Find information through one of the medium listed below. Get connected, become involved.

- Follow us on Facebook (<u>here</u>)
- · Join us on Twitter for quick updates. <u>https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en</u>
- Follow us on Instagram –<u>https://www.instagram.com/bchs_banff/</u>
- Check out our Daily School Announcements <u>here</u>.
- 2020/2021 <u>Student Handbook is here.</u> Find important BCHS dates such as

parent/teacher interviews, course change information, exams and much more.

Upcoming

- Some universities are now offering virtual tours and open houses ... Please check with Ms. Breymann for more information.
- Parents please ensure you can logon to Parent Portal. Look for the PowerSchool button on our school webpage or <u>click here</u>. This is where you will access daily updates on your student's marks and attendance, school fees and more. Final term report cards are also shared with you through Parent Portal and are not mailed out from the school.

** Alberta Education has now made student access to their official transcript of marks available to all grade 10- 12 students available through a myPass account (<u>myPass.alberta.ca</u>). Grade 10 marks will first appear after the first semester.

News

Bow Valley Settlement Services Information January Newsletter now posted-<u>Now found here.</u>

Please take the time to review our new Student Parent Handbook. It is now posted on our Website <u>here</u>

**In response to parent feedback to make the "This Week" more streamlined we have moved much of the recurring information such as how to Pay School Fees, Excuse Absences, Get a Transcript of Grades etc... to this HOW TO page. We hope this helps. Please feel free to contact the Principal Chris Rogers (chris.rogers@crps.ca) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback link here.

Caribou Kids Season Pass

We are fortunate at Banff Community High School to have strong community partnerships that support access to sports and healthy activities for all of our students. Banff Lodging Co and Banff Ski Norquay are again, supporting Banff Community High School students with a year of skiing through the Caribou Kids Season Pass Program.

Please take the time to read this attached letter from Caribou Properties that outlines this incredible program.

Banff schools ski free program 20-21 v1.pdf

If your student is interested in participating in the Caribou Kids Season Pass Program, please complete this form and return it to Banff Ski Norquay.

Caribou Kids& Youth Form 2020-21.pdf

Check out our Daily School Announcements here.