# THIS WEEK AT BCHS Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety September 20 - 24, 2021



# **Hike Day**

We have our Hike Days this upcoming week. Hike day is an important tradition at

BCHS . It serves to support the development of a strong sense of community with all members of our school. All students are expected to participate in this event. If there are any concerns with participation in hike day, please contact Mike Shoemaker directly. In order to support social distancing and the transportation of our students we will have hike day on two separate days. Grades 11 and 12 will have hike day on September 21 and grades 9 and 10 will have hike day on Thursday September 23.

# **Terry Fox Run**

Our school based Terry Fox run serves to inspire everyone to get involved and try. The Terry Fox foundation encourages everyone to "Try like Terry." We will begin raising money for the Terry Fox foundation on Monday September 20, 2021. More information will be shared about how students can contribute to the Terry Fox foundation. Students will learn more about Terry's legacy and participate in grade based runs on Friday October 1, 2021.

Donations to the Terry Fox can be made virtually <u>here</u>

## **Student Council**

We have an enthusiastic group of students that have demonstrated an interest in school leadership. This upcoming week, students will give virtual presentations to the student body to run for the position of student council presidents. We will have a student election this upcoming Friday. Other executive positions will be determined within our student council. The council is open to all grades. Interested students are encouraged to participate.

## **COVID INFORMATION**

We continue to follow the both directives outlined by <u>Alberta Health Services</u> and the Canadian Rockies <u>Reentry plan</u> for 2021/22. Within these plans, families are asked to follow the AHS daily screening checklist for signs and symptoms of COVID. Anyone with COVID symptoms is asked to follow the isolation guidelines as directed by AHS. Please call 811, to inquire with AHS to clarify isolation if you have concerns about your student's health

This year we have returned to live learning. Please note that we are not using virtual learning this year. Students who are required to stay at home should contact the school to excuse their absences and should contact their classroom teacher for updates on missed work.

## **School Council**

Our first parent council meeting will be held virtually on **September 20 at 4:15.** This first meeting will be held virtually and the link to the meeting can be found below in the upcoming events and on our website calendar. This will be both our AGM to wrap up the 2020/21 school year, followed by our regular monthly meeting. Executive positions for the upcoming year will be determined at the AGM.

Please note that this year, our school is scheduled to run a casino at the Blackfoot Inn Calgary. This is an important fundraising event for our school and it supports important school wide initiatives like student transportation, student supports and school wide initiatives like our recent Art Gallery, Learning Commons Beautification and Purkis Hall improvements.

**We need your support.** We will be looking for a Chairperson to coordinate volunteers, as well as require 30 volunteers over the two days. We will require parent volunteers on **Monday, November 15th and Tuesday, November 16th.** Typically our school runs a casino event every three years and our last drive brought in over Forty Thousand dollars to our school.

Please note that this initiative will be discussed at our parent meeting. Please attend our council meeting to realize how you can support our school.

## **Other Information**

#### 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>.

#### **School Fees**

School fees are not yet finalized; however they will start to appear on Parent Portal as we work on the fees. Payment options and details will be provided when invoiced.

## The Week Ahead

### Monday September 20, 2021

• 4:15 School Council Virtual Meeting - link here

#### Tuesday, September 21, 2021

• Hike Day - Grade 11 and 12

#### Wednesday, September 22, 2021

- 12:30 Student council president presentations
- Immunizations at BCHS for students that have requested them.

#### Thursday, September 23, 2021

• Hike Day - Grade 9 and 10

#### Friday September 24, 2021

- Student Council President Vote
- Note this is a full day of school

# **Upcoming Dates**

- Wednesday September 22, 2021 Immunizations at BCHS for students that have requested them.
- Thursday September 23, 2021 Hike Day for grades 9 and 10
- Week of September 27: Truth and Reconciliation Week
- Wednesday September 29, 2021: Truth and Reconciliation district and school learning in afternoon
- Thursday September 30: No School National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- <u>Friday October 1:</u> School based Terry Fox Day
- <u>Thursday October 7: Honours Society Presentations</u> will be held at school during school hours
- Thursday October 28, 2021: Photo Retakes
- Tuesday November 2, 2021: Last day of Quarter 1 classes

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

- · Follow us on Facebook (here)
- Join us on Twitter for quick updates. <a href="https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en">https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en</a>
- Follow us on Instagram https://www.instagram.com/bchs\_banff/
- Check out our Daily School Announcements <u>here</u>.

## **BCHS Bear Tools**

- Parents please ensure you can log on to Parent Portal. Look for the PowerSchool
  Quick Link 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.
- Bow Valley Settlement Services Information Newsletter now posted—<u>Now found here.</u>
- 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 (myPass.alberta.ca). Grade 10 marks will first appear after the first semester.

- 2021/2022 Student / Parent Handbook \*\* coming soon. Find important BCHS dates such as parent/teacher interviews, course change information, exams and much more.
- Please click this link for the 2021 2022 School Calendar

Please feel free to contact the Principal, Chris Rogers (chris.rogers@crps.ca) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback <u>link here</u>.