THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

February 21 - March 04, 2022

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Please check out the BCHS Events Calendar https://bchs.crps.ca/.



Become a Host Family for CRPS International Students in 2022-23!

CRPS is looking for Canmore & Banff families to host our next incredible cohort of 50 international students arriving in August 2022! Make meaningful connections, share your

different cultures, learn a new language, build life-long memories & friendships! Commitments of 5 months and 10 months are available, with monthly remuneration provided. For more information and to apply, contact **international@crps.ca** or 403-609-6072



Family Week / Teacher Professional Learning

As a reminder, there is no school for students between Monday, February 21 and Friday, February 25. Monday, February 21, 2022 is family day, with system closures on the 22nd and 23rd. On Thursday, February 24th and 25th, teachers will be participating in professional development at teacher conference. This year teachers will attend sessions on topics that include traditional knowledge keepers, differentiation in the classroom, assessment practices, and subject specific pedagogy. Keynote speakers this year at the teacher conference include Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe - discussing Wellness, Sarah Watson and Michael Ungar discussing resilience and Lindsey Fagan and Michelle Good discussing the impact of Residential Schools.

Graduation Planning

Our graduation committee has been working hard to fundraise and plan this year's ceremony. At this time, the 2021/22 Graduation is planned for June 30th at the Banff Springs Hotel from 11:00 am - 1:30 pm. The online booking site for students to book their graduation picture session is now open. Grads can book their appointment at <u>prestigeportraits.ca</u>.

Pink Shirt Day

Pink Shirt Day is on February 23 and this year the Pink Shirt organizers encourage everyone to support diversity. Today our diversity is becoming more visible than ever as people continue to embrace their cultures, identities, and true selves in more open and direct ways; making the

need to *Lift Each Other Up* and have greater acceptance, respect, and inclusion for everyone so important.

At BCHS we recognized pink shirt day as a school on Thursday, February 18 however, we encourage everyone to recognize this day of support on Wednesday, February 23 as well.

The Week Ahead

Monday, February 21 - Friday, February 25, 2022

- No School for students Family Day and Teacher Convention
- February 25/26 SR Girls Basketball Tournament

Monday, February 28, 2022

• Grade 9 Boys Basketball CCHS @ BCHS 5:15-6:45 pm

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

- Grade 9 Boys Basketball BCHS @ OLS 4:30 6:30 pm
- JV Boys Basketball CCHS @ BCHS 5:00 7:00 pm

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

Thursday, March 3, 2022

- School council Virtual meeting 12:52 pm
- BCHS Local Girls Basketball @ CCHS 3:30 5:30 pm

Friday, March 4, 2022

- ¹/₂ Day of school
- JV Boys Basketball Tournament in Cremona

Upcoming Dates

- March 11 JV Girls Basketball Zones
- March 11 Progress Reports for semester 2 available on Learning Management Systems (Google Classroom / Moodle)
- March 15 18 Graduation Pictures
- Wednesday, March 16 (5:00 pm 8:00 pm)- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Thursday, March 17 (4:00 pm 7:00 pm) Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Friday, March 18 (8:30 am 11:30 am) Parent-Teacher Conferences
- April 2 April 17 Spring Break

COVID Information

This past week the government of Alberta announced that public health measures will be phased out in 3 steps. On Thursday, February 10, Canadian Rockies Public School shared a <u>letter</u> that outlines our updated protocols. For further details, please see the <u>CRPS reentry</u> <u>plan</u>.

Beginning on Monday, February 14, 2022, all school mandatory masking requirements for students will be removed. While mask mandates have been removed, students may elect to continue wearing masks at their own discretion.

Staff in the school will continue to wear masks unless they are socially distanced and cohorted with their classrooms.

Other protocol changes:

- Sports will resume with team travel allowed
- Spectators are welcome to watch games. There will be limited seating at school events. All guests must wear masks.
- We will continue to limit movement in the building:
 - Doors will be open from 8:00 8:30 am and 1:45 2:00 pm
- Purkis Hall remains closed
- No gym use at lunch
- Closed Campus continues:
 - Students still eat in their block 3 class
 - Students may leave school for lunch but will only be allowed back in the building at 1:45 pm
 - No volunteers/guest speakers in the school only essential service providers
- Visitors will enter the school by appointment only. All visitors will require masks
- We will continue to promote physical distancing where possible.
- Students are expected to continue to follow the <u>COVID-19 Alberta Health Daily</u> <u>Checklist</u> to determine when to stay home from school

Student Resources - Optional Study Guide Online Purchase

Study guides are available to be purchased online. These can be The KEY Study Guides or Solaro annual digital products. Digital orders allows access to up to 10 courses annually for the cost of one Study Guide. These are optional resources and if you are not sure if your student would benefit from these, have them speak with their classroom teacher. Online orders can be placed between February 14 - February 25, 2022. Please <u>click here</u> for more information and the ordering link.

Bear Celebrations

If you have a BCHS Celebration that you would like to share with our community, please email mike.shoemaker@crps.ca.

Sports

Basketball Practice Schedule 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3:30	Girls Tournament	Gr 9 Girls	Sr Boys	Gr 9 Girls	Optional Open Practice Slot
4:00	3:30-5:30	3:30-5:15pm	3:30-5:30pm	3:30-5:00pm	
4:30					
5:00				Girls Local Team	
5:30	Gr 9 Boys	Jv Boys	Gr 9 Boys	5:00 - 6:30pm	
6:00	5:15-7:00pm	5:15-7:15	5:15 -7:00pm		
6:30				Girls Tournament	
7:00	Girls Local Team	Sr Boys	Jv Boys		
7:30	7:00 - 9:00pm	7:15-9:15pm	7:15-9:00	6:30 - 8:15pm	
8:00					
8:30				SR/JV Boys	
9:00				8:15-9:15	
9:30					



Caribou Kids Season Ski Pass at Banff Mount Norquay

Yes! Banff school students will enjoy free (almost) skiing again this winter!!! In its 15th year, Banff Lodging Co and Banff Mount Norquay remain committed to offering the Caribou Kids Season Ski Pass program for students enrolled at Banff schools, even as we hope to rebound from recent challenging economic conditions. Please <u>click here</u> for more information and the Norquay form.

School Fees

Banff Community High School fees are available on PowerSchool Parent Portal and **are now due**. Debit or credit card payments can be made online through your Parent Portal <u>https://powerschool.crps.ca/public/.</u> If you are unable to make full payment at this time please contact Joanne Geyer at joanne.geyer@crps.ca to make payment arrangements.

Other Information

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

- Follow us on Facebook <u>here</u>
- Join us on Twitter https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en
- Follow us on Instagram <u>https://www.instagram.com/bchs_banff/</u>
- Check out our Daily School Announcements here

News

Bow Valley Settlement Services Information and newsletter Click Here.

Follow the <u>link</u> to view the highlights from the January Public School Board Meeting.

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.
- 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 start to appear after the first semester.
- Please click the link for the <u>2021/2022 Student / Parent Handbook</u>. Find important BCHS dates such as parent/teacher interviews, course change information, exams, and much more.
- Some universities are now offering information sessions ... Please check with Ms. Piekenbrock for more information.
- 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>.