

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

March 14 - March 18, 2022

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Parent-Teacher Student Conferences

Teachers have updated PowerSchool, so your child's marks should be up to date. Please review your child's learning management system (Google classroom / Moodle) to see their progress. At Parent Teacher Student Conferences, your child's teacher will be able to walk you through the curriculum covered to date in your child's course

Parent-Teacher Student Conferences are being held on the evening of March 16, 17 and during the morning of March 18. Please book your appointment(s) early to allow our teachers time to plan.

For the March conferences, families can elect to meet virtually, in person, or through a phone call. We ask that families show up to their meeting(s) at least five minutes in advance to allow teachers to stay on schedule.

Graduation 2021-22

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.

Graduation Pictures (March 15 - 18)

Graduates should have booked their graduation photos through Prestige Photos. Go to prestigeportraits.ca if you still need to book an appointment. Please note that students are asked to show up five minutes prior to their appointment to keep things on schedule. This year our photos will be set up in **room 147 (next to the gymnasium)**. Students requiring clothing changes will have access to our private gender-neutral washroom.



Sports

Our JV Girls team are off to zones for their final basketball tournament. We would like to thank all of our dedicated coaches and our Athletic Director, Mr. Higginbottom, for creating both league and tournament play during this changing season. Our BEARS look forward to spring sports including rugby and badminton. Please encourage your students to participate in extracurricular activities in our school.

Town Of Banff - Youth Drop In, Basketball, Sticks and Pucks

The Town of Banff is providing youth drop in opportunities on Sundays at Banff Elementary School from 1:30 to 2:45. Come alone or bring along some friends and join in a casual game of pickup basketball. Basketballs and pinnies provided. Open to all genders and abilities. More information will be posted here after March 15.

<https://app.booking.ca/banffpub/calendars/courses/index.asp>.

From Parent Council

BCHS will be holding evening Parent Teacher Student conferences March 16 & 17. We have a tradition of supplying our hard-working teachers with food at this time as they don't have an opportunity for much of a break over these two days.

We are asking for support in providing a dish (sandwiches, cookies, soups, main course dishes) for these two days. Many hands make light work!

Please let Kathy Dales know what you're able to provide so we can avoid duplication of efforts (Kathy.dales@fairmont.com). Dishes are to be delivered during the day on March 16th . Dishes can be picked up on Friday, March 18th. This really is a nice treat for our teachers, so please consider contributing in some small way.

The Week Ahead

Monday, March 14, 2022

- 3:30 pm Girls Rugby Practice

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

- Graduation pictures by appointment only in room 147
- 3:30 pm Badminton Practice
- 5:00 pm Boys Rugby Practice
- Last day to book Parent Teacher Student Conference appointments

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

- 5:00 - 8:00 pm Parent Teacher Student Conferences
- Graduation pictures by appointment only in room 147
- 5:00 pm Girls Rugby Practice

Thursday, March 17, 2022

- 4:00 - 7:00 pm Parent Teacher Student Conferences
- Graduation pictures by appointment only in room 147
- 3:30 pm Boys Rugby Practice
- 3:30 pm Badminton Practice

Friday, March 18, 2022

- Graduation pictures by appointment only in room 147
- 8:30 - 11:30 am Parent Teacher Student Conferences ** NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS **

Upcoming Dates

- April 2 - April 17 - Spring Break
- April 26 - Parent Information Night for 2022-2023 school year
 - 6:30 pm Grade 8 welcome
 - 7:30 pm Grade 9 transitioning to Grade 10
- April 28 -Parent Information Night for 2022 -2023 school year
 - 6:30 pm Grade 10 transitioning to Grade 11

- 7:30 pm Grade 11 transitioning to Grade 12
- May 2 - Course Request Forms for 2022-2023 school year due.

Bear Celebrations

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



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 [click here](#) 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 <https://powerschool.crps.ca/public/>. 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 [here](#)
- Join us on Twitter <https://twitter.com/bchs bears?lang=en>

- Follow us on Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/banffbchsbears/>
- Check out our Daily School Announcements [here](#)

News

Bow Valley Settlement Services Information and newsletter [Click Here.](#)

Follow the [link](#) to view the highlights from the January Public School Board Meeting.

COVID Protocols Update - AHS Step 2

On March 1, 2022 the Alberta Government moved to “Step 2,” of our public health measures. CRPS sent out a letter earlier this week outlining how Step 2 has adjusted our protocols for safety. For further information on these adjustments, please see the attached divisional [re-entry plan](#). Here are some highlights:

- Students are no longer required to cohort - as a result, social areas like Purkis Hall have been reopened
- Students are permitted to leave and reenter the building during lunch hour
- Staff and students are no longer required to wear masks in the building
- Students using public transportation for Alignment classes at CCHS **are** required to wear masks
- Students are still required to isolate and follow the daily [AHS checklists](#) when they have COVID symptoms
- The school will no longer be reporting to families individual COVID cases
- Extracurriculars and sports may continue

Please note that throughout the school day, our doors will remain locked. Visitors should make appointments before entering the building. Visitors are asked to ring the new doorbell at the Purkis Hall doors.

BCHS Bear Tools

- Parents please ensure you can log on to Parent Portal. Look for the PowerSchool Quick Link on our school webpage or [click here](#). 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 [2021/2022 Student / Parent Handbook](#). 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 [link here](#).