### THIS WEEK AT BCHS

# Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

March 21 - March 25, 2022

(For archived Newsletters please click here)

# Please check out the BCHS Events Calendar <a href="https://bchs.crps.ca/">https://bchs.crps.ca/</a>.

## **Social Media**

A great way to stay connected to our school is through our social media platforms. Make sure that you follow our school social media sites at the following addresses:

| Instagram | Instagram: banffbchsbears             |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| facebook  | Facebook: Banff Community High School |
| twitter   | Twitter: @BCHS Bears                  |

Also remember that our calendar and school information can all be accessed through our website <a href="https://bchs.crps.ca/">https://bchs.crps.ca/</a>.

#### **School Council**

A big thank you to our school council for supporting our teachers with delicious food during our Parent/Teacher Student Conferences! Thank you for your dedication to our school.

Our next School Council Meeting will be held on Monday, March 21 at 4:15 pm. We will be meeting live in our learning commons or you can join virtually. Please see our <u>agenda</u> for access to the meeting and proposed discussion topics.

### 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 pm. 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 <a href="https://app.bookking.ca/banffpub/calendars/courses/index.asp">https://app.bookking.ca/banffpub/calendars/courses/index.asp</a>.

## Graduation 2021-22

Jostens will be at the school on Tuesday, March 29 over lunch with samples of school graduation jewelry. Students and families interested in ordering graduation memorabilia are invited to check out the offerings. For more information see our school announcement slides here.

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.

#### **Parent Information Session**

Suicide Awareness

You are invited to a **Parent Session on Suicide Awareness** hosted by Banff Elementary School and Yvonne Law from the Town of Banff. This session will provide you with information such as what is suicide, warning signs of suicide, and some tips on how to talk to your child about suicide.

The session will be happening on **Thursday, March 31st**, at **6:30 pm at Banff Elementary School** and will last about 1.5 hours. To register for this session, please fill out this **Registration Form** or email megan.jenniex@crps.ca so that we can be appropriately prepared. Tea and snacks will be provided.

## The Week Ahead

### Monday, March 14, 2022

- 3:30 pm Girls Rugby Practice
- 4:15 pm School Council Meeting link is <a href="here">here</a> or come meet in our learning commons

## Tuesday, March 15, 2022

- 3:30 pm Badminton Practice
- 4:30 pm Boys Rugby Practice at CCHS

## Wednesday, March 16, 2022

• 5:00 pm Girls Rugby Practice

## Thursday, March 17, 2022

- 3:30 pm Boys Rugby Practice
- 5:30 pm Badminton Practice

## Friday, March 18, 2022

Full day of school

#### **Upcoming Dates**

- March 31 BES Parent information session suicide awareness at 6:30 p.m.
- April 2 April 17 Spring Break
- Tuesday, April 26 Parent information night
  - o 6:30 pm- Grade 8 Welcome
  - o 7:30 pm Grade 9 Transitioning to Grade 10
- Thursday, April 28 Parent information night
  - o 6:30 pm- Grade 10 Transitioning to Grade 11
  - o 7:30 pm- Grade 11 Transitioning to Grade 12
- Monday, May 2 Course request forms due



## 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.

#### **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 <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 <a href="https://powerschool.crps.ca/public/">https://powerschool.crps.ca/public/</a>. 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 <a href="https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en">https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en</a>
- Follow us on Instagram <a href="https://www.instagram.com/banffbchsbears/">https://www.instagram.com/banffbchsbears/</a>
- 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 <u>AHS checklists</u> 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 <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 <u>2021 2022 School Calendar</u>

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>.