# THIS WEEK AT BCHS

# Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

# May 16 - May 20, 2022

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

#### **Provincial Achievement Tests**

On Monday, May 16, 2022 grade 9 students across Alberta will be writing their Part A English Writing exam. This assessment includes two writing tasks and is designed to take two hours. Students will be allowed to enter their examination rooms at 8:30 am and will be expected to write until at least 10:00 am.

### Year-End Exam Schedule

The end of the school year is quickly approaching. The last day of classes is on Thursday, June 16, 2022, and exams will run from Friday, June 17 through Wednesday, June 29. This year, the government of Alberta has announced that June's diplomas will be worth 10%. Please see the attached document for our June Exam <u>schedule</u>.

### May Long Weekend / Symposium

On **Friday, May 20**, our **school will be closed** for teacher professional development. Staff will be working on looking at our divisional and provincial goals to begin planning for the upcoming 2022/23 school year. Please note that there is also **no school** for students on **Monday, May 23** for the Victoria Day long weekend. We hope Banff Community High School students and families enjoy a safe and relaxing May long weekend.

Student Leadership - May Days

Student Leadership is promoting school culture by organizing a spirit week. Part of the spirit week will be a return of the popular BYOB or "Bring Your Own Banana," for ice cream banana splits at lunchtime. Thank you to COWS for supporting this student-led initiative with ice cream!

Please see their plan in "The Week Ahead," below.

As our current grade 12s prepare to transition from high school we encourage our grade 9 through 11 students to consider stepping forward for a leadership role in our school. Our student leadership group meets weekly to plan initiatives for the benefit of our school community.

# Band Trip

This week our grade 9 and senior band went on a trip to Edmonton to share performances at Grant MacEwan and WG Murdoch School in Crossfields. Mr. Nizinkevich and his students have worked hard to bring music back into our school.

# Art Class Field Trip

Students in the senior art class will be spending the day creating Land Art as inspired by Andy Goldsworthy. This is a collaborative effort between BCHS and the Outdoor Learning Centre. Students need to dress for the weather and bring their lunch.

### The Week Ahead

### Monday, May 16, 2022

- 8:30 11:00 am Grade 9 Provincial Achievement Tests (PATs) Part A
- Student Leadership Dress up Days Karaoke Monday
- WILD Trip group B Big Boat Canoeing
- 4:30 pm JR Boys Rugby game @ CRU (WIC)
- 4:30 pm Girls Rugby Practice

### Tuesday, May 17, 2022

- Student Leadership Dress up days "Tennis Team Tuesday"
- 4:30 pm Boys Rugby Practice

### Wednesday, May 18, 2022

- Student Leadership Dress up days "Wild Animal Wednesday"
- 3 pm Zone Championship for Rugby 7s

# Thursday, May 19, 2022

- 8:30 am "Toast Thursday"
- Student Leadership Dressup days "Tacky Tourist Thursday"
- Student Leadership BYOB (Bring Your Own Banana ice cream served)
- SR Art class field trip
- 5:00 pm SR Girls Rugby game @ Banff
- 6:30 pm SR Boys Rugby game @ Banff

# Friday, May 20, 2022

• May Symposium Division PD - **no school for students** 

### **Upcoming Dates**

• Monday, May 23 - Victoria Day - no school for students

# 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:

<b>OO</b> 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 <u>https://bchs.crps.ca/</u>.

# 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 is posted here:

https://app.bookking.ca/banffpub/calendars/courses/index.asp.



# 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.

### **School Fees**

Banff Community High School fees, along with sport, band trip and Grad Hoodie 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 here
- Join us on Twitter https://twitter.com/bchsbears?lang=en
- Follow us on Instagram https://www.instagram.com/banffbchsbears/
- Check out our Daily School Announcements <u>here</u>

#### News

Bow Valley Settlement Services Information and newsletter Click Here.

Follow the link to view the highlights from the March 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 (<u>myPass.alberta.ca</u>). 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>.