

## **THIS WEEK AT BCHS**

***Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety***

**November 21 - November 25**

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

Check out our Daily School Announcements [here](#).

### **School Council Meeting Monday, November 21 at 4:15 pm**

Please consider attending this important monthly meeting. We now have a nominee for the vacant Treasurer position and will be voting on their appointment on Monday. These meetings are a great way to hear the most current news about our school and to be able to share thoughts and advice to the school. ([Agenda](#) includes virtual link to join online)

### **Lockdown Drill Thursday, November 24 at 2 pm**

The health and safety of all children at BCHS is paramount. One of our responsibilities in regard to safety is to run an annual lockdown drill.

The purpose of the drill is to practice how we can protect everyone from harm when a danger is present inside the school. Students will review what to do, including “Safe, Silent & Serious”, with their teachers in advance.

We recognize that the mention of the word “lockdown” raises questions and concerns. We invite you to have a conversation at home with your child to be proactive and teachers will certainly engage in these conversations at school too.

While incidents requiring an emergency response in our school are very, very rare, “lockdown” drills are a part of our emergency response practices, similar to fire drills. In this way, we hope everyone will feel more confident, less anxious and better able to cope knowing there is a plan and procedures in place for a situation of this kind.

## Grad Fundraising for Grade 12s

### Dinner and Silent Auction

The dinner and silent auction will take place on **Wednesday, November 23** at **6:30 pm** at The Balkan. Tickets are \$50.00 each and include a four-course dinner. If you are interested in purchasing tickets please contact Ms. Wiggins ([kristen.wiggins@crps.ca](mailto:kristen.wiggins@crps.ca))

### Extra Curricular News

We still need a basketball coach for our JV Girls (Grades 9 & 10) team. Please contact [ian.higginbottom@crps.ca](mailto:ian.higginbottom@crps.ca) if interested or if you want to find out what's involved.

Practices are included in the week ahead and can be found [here](#).



### Caribou Kids Ski Pass

Banff school students will enjoy a (almost) free season's ski pass again this winter! In its 16th 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. Please [click here](#) for more information and the Norquay form.

### School Fees

School fees are now overdue. You can find your child's fees on PowerSchool Parent Portal. Debit or credit card payments can be made online through your Parent Portal. Please contact Renee Husdal at [renee.husdal@crps.ca](mailto:renee.husdal@crps.ca) to make payment arrangements if you are unable to pay within 30 days or if you have any questions.

## The Week Ahead

### Monday, November 21, 2022

- [School Council Meeting](#) - 4:15 pm in school library. All parents welcome
- JV Girls "Gold Team" Basketball Practice - 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm
- JV Boys "Black team" Basketball Practice - 5:30 pm - 7:15 pm

### Tuesday, November 22, 2022

- Student Leadership at lunch
- JV Boys "Gold Team" Basketball Practice - 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm
- JV Girls "Black team" Basketball Practice - 5:15 pm - 7:15 pm
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### Wednesday, November 23, 2022

- Green Team meeting at lunch
- CRPS Board Meeting 7 pm -Exshaw School
- Balkan Fundraiser for Grad
- *Open Court for Shooting. 3:30 - 4:30 pm for all Basketball teams*
- JV Boys "Black team" Basketball Practice - 5:30 pm - 7:15 pm

### Thursday, November 24, 2022

- Annual lockdown drill - 2 pm
- Rainbow Alliance at Lunch
- JV Boys "Gold Team" Basketball Practice - 3:30 pm - 5:15 pm
- JV Girls "Black team" Basketball Practice - 5:15 pm - 7:15 pm

### Friday, November 25, 2022

- Half Day Friday - classes end at 11:40 am
- Dodgeball Tournament CCHS v BCHS at BCHS 12 - 4 pm.

## Upcoming

- Monday, November 28: ELAA Fair - post secondary fair of Albertan institutions and careers 9 - 10 am. Parents welcome to attend.
- Tuesday, November 29: Work Safe presentation Grades 9 and 10
- Wednesday, November 30: Award Assembly #1
- Thursday, December 1: WimWe Grade 10 AST Presentation
- Friday, December 9: Half Day Friday
- Monday, December 12: Banff Community Concert Dress Rehearsal




- Tuesday, December 13: Seniors Tea at Banff Springs Hotel - Senior Band
- Wednesday, December 14: WimWe Grade 10.1 AST Field Day / Banff Community Concert
- Thursday, December 15: WimWe Grade 10.2 AST Field Day / Banff Community Concert
- Friday, December 23: Winter Break starts 12 noon

## Flu Season and COVID pandemic reminders

As we begin to enter the flu season please refresh your knowledge of current **recommendations** for staying away from work or school if displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or if you test positive: <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/topics/Page17239.aspx>

## 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:

	<p>Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/banffbchsbears">banffbchsbears</a></p>
	<p>Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/BanffCommunityHighSchool">Banff Community High School</a></p>
	<p>Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/BCHS_Bears">@BCHS Bears</a></p>

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

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## **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, and 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](mailto: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 [natasha.miles@crps.ca](mailto:natasha.miles@crps.ca).

## **Other Information**

**Missing important happenings at BCHS**, but are awash in emails? Find information through our social media. Get connected, become involved.

- Check out our Daily School Announcements [here](#)

## News

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

Follow the [link](#) to view the Board Highlights from the October 19, 2022 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 [click here](#). This is where you will access daily updates on your student's marks and attendance, school fees, and more.
- **The 2022/2023 Student / Parent Handbook** is [here](#).
- 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](http://myPass.alberta.ca)). Grade 10 marks will start to appear after the first semester.
- Please click this link for the [2022 - 2023 School Calendar](#)

Please feel free to contact the Principal, Chris Rogers ([chris.rogers@crps.ca](mailto:chris.rogers@crps.ca)) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback [link here](#).