

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

February 13 - February 17, 2023

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

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

Academic performance continues to trend upwards at CRPS and BCHS

The annual Alberta Education's Assurance Framework report for CRPS for 2021-2022 showed that *"In both acceptable standards and standard of excellence in diploma exam courses, CRPS students were significantly above the provincial results. Students in CRPS outperformed their counterparts on seven of nine exams at both the acceptable level and the standard of excellence level"* as reported in the [Rocky Mountain Outlook](#) last week. In addition BCHS Grade 9 students' attainment in Provincial Assessment Tests saw them perform better than the provincial average in both the acceptable level and the standard of excellence level in Science and English Language Arts and above the acceptable level in Math and Social Studies. This is quite remarkable an achievement as our students were able to overcome the academic challenges the pandemic gave them that caused significant disruption to their learning.

Alberta Education - Student and Parent Surveys

Next week all students will be completing the annual survey from Alberta Education about their experience at school during this school year. **Grade 10 Parents will also receive a letter in the mail from the province to invite them to participate in the survey and we hope that the majority of parents will be able to find the time to complete the survey as it provides very important information for us.** The school uses this information to plan supports, initiatives and programming in 23/24. We always encourage parents to come in person to talk about their child's progress or any concerns they may have. **If a parent wishes to receive a survey in a second language (French, Punjabi, Cree, Korean, Denesųŋine, Tagalog, Chinese (Traditional or Simplified), Arabic, Spanish or Urdu) please contact Chris Rogers, principal chris.rogers@crps.ca.**

Pink Shirt Day

On **Friday, February 17** we ask all students and staff to wear pink shirts to remind us all that bullying is not tolerated at our school. In the 21/22 annual survey 80% of our students reported that they had positive relationships at school and that they have friends at school who they can trust and who encourage them to make positive choices. This is higher than the Canadian average but we would like to aim for ALL of our students to report that this applies to them. The number of students who reported in 21/22 they were subjected to physical, social or verbal bullying or who were bullied over the internet is 15% which is lower than the Canadian average but we would like to work hard as a school to reduce this to 0%.

Extra Curricular News

Basketball practices can be found in the [following spreadsheet](#).

Rugby Practices are starting too. See the bottom tab in the spreadsheet above as we juggle gym time because the two sports overlap seasons.

The Week Ahead

Monday, February 13, 2023

- PE 9, PE 20/30 classes skating today

Tuesday, February 14, 2023

- Student leadership council meeting at lunch
- Valentine's Day - student leadership council to distribute candy canes to those who paid for them.

Wednesday, February 15, 2023

- JV Boys "Black Team" game @ BCHS - 5:15 pm
- JV Girls "Black Team" game @ CCHS - 6:30 pm
- Green Team / High Hopes meeting at lunch
- Annual Alberta Education assurance framework student survey for all grades

Thursday, February 16, 2023

Friday, February 17, 2023

- Pink Shirt Day - staff and students to wear pink shirts

- Full day Friday


Upcoming:



- Monday, February 20 - Friday, February 24 - no school for students
- Monday, February 27 - School back in session
- Friday, March 3 - Half Day Friday
- Monday, March 13 - WimWe Grade 10.1 Snowshoe at Sherbrooke Lake
- Monday, March 13 - School Council meeting (Note: there is no meeting in February)
- Tuesday, March 14 - Grad Photos
- Wednesday, March 15 -WimWe Grade 10.2 Snowshoe at Sherbrooke Lake
- Wednesday, March 15 - Friday, March 17 - Parent Student Teacher Conferences
- Friday, March 17 - no school for students
- Wednesday, March 22 - Second Awards Assembly
- Friday, March 21 - last day of school before Spring Break

Flu Season and COVID reminders

Please remain at home if you are displaying **flu or COVID-19 symptoms** and follow the current recommendations for staying away from work or school if displaying symptoms. We request that parents do not send their child to school if they feel ill. Please let us know they are absent due to an illness so we can keep track of any potential outbreaks which are considered 10% or more of the student population. Read this [letter dated November 2022 from the Interim Chief and Senior Medical Officers of Health](#) in relation to the rise in influenza cases seen in school recently. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 please read the advice for isolation: <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/topics/Page17239.aspx>

Social Media

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	Facebook: Banff Community High School
	Twitter: @BCHS Bears

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:

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



**Do you
have a
spare
bedroom?**

**Become a
host
family**

**for our
Internatio
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Student
Program!**

**We are
looking
for 5 or 10
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for
temporary
host
families
over April
Spring
Break,
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Bear Celebrations

If you have a BCHS Celebration that you would like to share with our community, please email 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.

News

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

Follow the [link](#) to view the Board Highlights from the January 25, 2023 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). 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) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback [link here](#).

