

## THIS WEEK AT BCHS

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

**October 23 - 27, 2023**

*(For archived Newsletters please click [here](#))*

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

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

### **Parent - Student - Teacher Conferences**

We strongly encourage students to come with their parents so they can help make plans moving forward. Parents and guardians have until **Tuesday, October 24** to book an appointment with their child's teachers to discuss progress, goals, and support. Conferences will be either in person, virtually, or by phone; please note the different dates these types are available:

Wednesday, October 25: 5 - 8 pm IN PERSON ONLY

Thursday, October 26: 4 - 7 pm VIRTUAL OR PHONE ONLY

Friday, October 27: 8:30-11:30 am IN PERSON, VIRTUAL OR PHONE

More information on how to book a Parent - Student - Teacher Conference appointment can be [found here](#).

If you requested a virtual meeting please watch your inbox for the Google invite.

We look forward to seeing you. Please note there is **no school for students** on Friday, October 27.

### **How to Pay School Fees**

School fees are now on Parent Portal ready for payment. You can pay your **School Fees** online through your **PowerSchool Parent Portal Account**; the link is on the [bchs.crps.ca webpage](https://bchs.crps.ca). Once you sign in, under Navigation click Student Fees.

Payments can be made by Credit Card (MasterCard & VISA) and INTERAC.

If you wish to pay by Cheque, Cash, or Tap, you can do so through the BCHS Main Office.

In cases of financial hardship, please contact Renee Husdal in the main office for a Fee Waiver Form at 403-762-4411, or email [renee.husdal@crps.ca](mailto:renee.husdal@crps.ca).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Renee Husdal.

## **Post Secondary Open Houses**

There are many Open Houses planned for the fall. This is a wonderful opportunity for you and your child to go and visit the schools and see what they have to offer. Often you can sign up for tours, appointments, and so much more!

There are so many it is hard to advertise them all in school but coming up soon in our region are:

- Mount Royal University - Oct. 21
- Concordia University - Oct. 21
- Lethbridge College - Oct. 25
- University of Calgary - Oct. 28
- SAIT - Nov. 2 & 3
- Medicine Hat College - Nov. 2

There are also virtual tours and some even have application information sessions to help students and families navigate the process. Admission staff are available to help and they love to network with potential students. Talk to Ms. Bekar if you have any questions.

## **Homework Support**

Assignment completion is a work habit and skill that we hope all students develop as they pass through high school. However, for some students, they need a little more help with being independent in their work habits. We will be holding homework support sessions over lunchtime on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. These sessions will be for students who are not completing assignments by the deadline set by their teachers. Parents will be informed by the teacher that the student has missed a deadline and therefore will be required to attend a homework support session in the library at lunchtime. Students will need to bring their lunch with them.

## **Extra Curricular News**

## **Lunchtime Band**

Tuesday is the day for Lunchtime Band. Any student, past or new musician is welcome to attend at lunch in the Music room. Contact [brian.sand@crps.ca](mailto:brian.sand@crps.ca) for details.

## **Volleyball**

Please see the attached [BCHS practice schedule](#) for a list of all practice times.

## **Volunteers 2023-2024**

All volunteers need to complete a Vulnerable Sector Check with the RCMP every 12 months. This usually only takes a few days - contact our office for more details and a form.

## **School Calendar**

[2023 - 2024 School Calendar](#)

## **myPass**

Just a reminder that Grade 10 - 12 students should set up their myPass so they can access their school transcripts and track their high school credits. Here is a **step by step guide for setting up MyPass**

## **The Week Ahead**

### **Monday, October 23, 2023**

- WILD 15 students at High Ropes Course all day

### **Tuesday, October 24, 2023**

- Lunchtime Band practice
- Student Leadership at lunch
- Parent - Student - Teacher Conference booking closes

### **Wednesday, October 25, 2023**

- Student Council's Halloween Spirit week starts
- Green Team/High Hopes at lunch
- Rainbow Alliance at lunch
- Parent - Student - Teacher conferences 5-8 pm

**Thursday, October 26, 2023**

- Halloween Spirit week activities
- Parent - Student - Teacher conferences 4-7 pm


**Friday, October 27, 2023**



- **No classes for students**
- Parent - Student - Teacher conferences 8:30-11:30 am
- Teacher Professional Development 1-3 pm

**Upcoming Dates**

- October 30 & 31: Halloween Spirit activities
- November 2: Last day of Quarter 1 classes for Grade 9s
- November 3: First day of Quarter 2 classes for Grade 9s
- November 3: Half Day Friday
- **November 8: Open House - 6-7 pm**
- November 9: Remembrance Day Assembly
- November 10: No school for Remembrance Day
- November 17: Half Day Friday
- November 29: Awards Assembly #1
- December 1: Half Day Friday
- December 12-15: Winter Travel for WILD class
- December 15: Half Day Friday
- December 22: Pancake Breakfast
- December 22: Schools close for winter break at 11:42 am
- January 8: Schools re-open for 2024

**Social Media**

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

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/>.





# WANTED HOST FAMILIES



**CRPS is looking for new host families.  
Host an international student: share your home, culture and  
learn about a new one. Monthly remuneration.**

**More info, please contact:**

Phone: (403) 609-6072

Email: [homestay@crps.ca](mailto:homestay@crps.ca)

Address: 618 7Ave. Canmore



[Follow this link to find out more!](#)

## Other Information

[Help your teen connect to nature for better health](#)

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

## News

**Parent Resource** - 6 Pillars of Well Being. <https://www.seethesigns.ca/resources/>

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

Follow the [link](#) to view the 'The Brief'; highlights from the October 17 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 2023/2024 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](https://myPass.alberta.ca)). Grade 10 marks will start to appear after the first semester.
- Please click this link for the [2022 - 2024 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](#).