

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

December 18 - 22, 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](#).

Season's Greetings

From all the staff at BCHS, we wish our students and families a very happy holiday time and look forward to seeing everyone in the new year on Monday, January 8, 2024.

BCHS Holiday Market

Tuesday December 19th, Wednesday December 20th and Thursday

December 21st

11:30am-12:15pm

All proceeds will be donated to the Banff Food Rescue

Lots of great things for sale- all handcrafted by BCHS students!

Everyone Welcome!!!



Pancake Breakfast

At BCHS, every calendar year ends with the tradition of staff cooking a pancake breakfast for our students. This year it will be held on Friday, December 22 in the gym. The Student Leadership Council encourages everyone to wear pajamas on Friday and they will be running several activities in the school during the morning to help bring us all together for some fun and laughter before the holidays. We will also be welcoming Knowledge Keepers Ollie Benjamin and Virgil Stephens to our breakfast to continue to build a working relationship and mutual respect.

Bear Wear



We have new BEAR WEAR available for PRE-ORDER now! Classic styling with BCBS sewn on twill letters. Makes a perfect Christmas gift - gift certificates available! Check it out [here](#).

Grad News



The Banff Community High School Grad Class of 2024

would like to say **“Thank you”** to all those who attended their **Silent Auction Fundraiser**. The grads would also like to **extend their gratitude** to the **businesses and individuals who donated items** for the auction. Your generosity helped to make this a very successful event!

Altitude Physiotherapy	Lake Louise Ski Resort
Aspen Lodge	Lux Cinema Banff
Banff Airporter	Masala Authentic Indian Cuisine
Banff Ave. Brew Co.	Moose Hotel and Suites
Banff Boutique Inn	Mountain Galleries at the Fairmont BSH
Banff Doghouse	Mountain Men Mechanics
Banff Hospitality Collective	Mount Norquay Ski Resort
Banff IGA	Mountain Top Flowers
Banff Jasper Collection by Pursuit	Pacini Banff
Banff Lodging Company	Pandora Jewellery
Banff Park Lodge	Qiviuk Boutique
Banff Tea Company	Red Earth Spa
Banff Upper Hot Springs	Rocky Mountain Soap Company
Big Bear Trading Company	Rock, Paper, Silver
Body Concepts	Snowtips-Bactrax
Brewster’s Golf Kananaskis Ranch	Standish Home Hardware
Catherine Dafoe	Sushi Bistro Banff
Cabin 108	The Balkan
Cedar Discover Banff Tours	The Fudgerly
Doncath Holdings	The Grizzly House
El Toro Restaurant	The North Face
Evoolution	The Rimrock Hotel and Resort
Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel	The Spirit of Christmas
Freya’s Jewelry	Warren Simms
Helly Hansen	Wild Flour Bakery
Herschel	Wilson Mountain Sports
Juniper Bistro Banff	Westrock Jean Company
Lake Louise Liquor Store	Wonderland Jewelry
	Zyka Elevated Indian Cuisine

Extra Curricular News

Basketball

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

League Games Schedule:

- Tuesday, December 19: Gr9 Boys OLS at BCHS @ 7 pm
- Wednesday, December 20: Gr9 girls BCHS at OLS @ 4:45 pm
- Wednesday, December 20: SR Boys CCHS at BCHS @ 7 pm

The Week Ahead

Monday, December 18, 2023

- Green Team/High Hopes at lunch
- Student Council's Festive Spirit Week- Red and Green
- PE 20/30 cross country skiing

Tuesday, December 19, 2023

- Student Council's Festive Spirit Week - Santa's Tropical Vacation
- PE 20/30 cross country skiing

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

- Student Council's Festive Spirit Week - Canadiana
- All PE classes cross country skiing

Thursday, December 21, 2023

- Student Leadership at lunch
- Student Council's Festive Spirit Week - Ugly Festive Sweater and hot chocolate (bring your own mug)
- SWIS pizza lunch

Friday, December 22, 2023

- Half day Friday - Blocks A and B
- **Schools close for winter break at 11:42 am**
- Pancake Breakfast - welcome to Knowledge Keepers
- Student Council's Festive Spirit Week - PJs

Upcoming Dates

- January 8: Schools re-open for 2024
- January 10: ELA 30-1 / 30-2 diploma exam Part A
- January 18: Last day of semester 1 classes
- January 19: Exam week starts
- January 22 - 26: Grade 9 Career Exploration week
- January 22: Math 30-1 diploma exam

- January 23: English 30-1 / 30-2 diploma exam Part B
- January 26: Chemistry 30 diploma exam
- January 29: Physics 30 diploma exam
- January 31: Semester 2 starts

School Calendar

[2023 - 2024 School Calendar](#)

January 2024 Exam Schedule

Diploma exams, final exams and Grade 10 mid term exams will be taking place in January. Please refer to the exam timetable now published on the [school's website homepage](#) and in the calendar. Diploma exam dates are set by the province and cannot be changed. If a student misses the set date they will need to take the exam in April or in June.

Exam week is from January 19th to January 30th and Semester 2 starts on January 31st. During the week beginning January 22nd Grade 9 will have the opportunity to take part in a **Career Exploration week**.

Teacher Support

Teacher Support sessions run over lunchtime on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. These are sessions for students who need further teacher support to complete assignments or who have missed a test due to an absence. Students will need to bring their lunch with them.

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 Fees

School fees are on Parent Portal ready for payment. Details for payment options are available on the fees page.

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**

2023-2024 Caribou Kids Season Ski Pass Program

Banff school students will enjoy free skiing again this winter. Now in its 17th year, Banff Lodging Co and Banff Mount Norquay are happy to offer the Caribou Kids Season Pass program for students enrolled at Banff schools. Please [click here](#) for more information and the registration form. All payments and inquiries should be directed to Banff Mount Norquay.

International Student Program

CRPS is looking for Canmore & Banff families to host our next incredible cohort of 50 international students arriving in August 2024! 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 or 403-609-6072.

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



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

Address: 618 7Ave. Canmore



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 November 22 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). 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) with feedback or suggestions or use our feedback [link here](#).