

THIS WEEK AT BCHS

Belonging, Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

October 28th - November 1st 2024

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

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences - November 6/7/8

Parent/Student/Teacher conferences are just around the corner. Online booking will start at 9:00am on **Tuesday, October 29**. Parents will be able to book appointments until 4pm Monday, November 4.

These conferences provide an opportunity to meet with your child's teachers to discuss progress, goals, and support in all their courses. You can find more information on how to book an appointment [HERE](#).

We strongly encourage students to come with their parents in order for them to have a productive conversation and be part of the plans for moving forward. Conferences will be either in person, or virtual but please note the different dates these forms are available:

- Wed. Nov. 6: 5:00-8:00 pm - In-Person only
- Thurs. Nov. 7: 4:00-7:00 pm - Virtual only
- Fri. Nov. 8: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm - Hybrid (In-person or Virtual)

Parents can access information about their child's progress through Powerschool. Click [HERE](#) to log into PowerSchool.



We Scare Hunger Food Drive for Banff Food Rescue

The BCCHS Student Leadership Team will be trick or treating in Banff Halloween evening for a variety of non-perishable food and toiletry items as part of the WE SCARE HUNGER food drive! All donations are greatly appreciated and will be given to Banff Food Rescue, an organization that is making a huge difference in the Banff community. Any non-perishables are welcome.

Outcomes Based Assessment for Grade 9s

Please go to our [blog](#) for information on what assessment and reporting will look like for your grade 9 child this year. Parents will find the [presentation](#) that was shared with grade 9 parents on September 11 as well as a two-page [Outcome-Based Assessment Summary](#).

Senior Volleyball Home Tournaments

The BCCHS Bears Senior Girls hosted a successful Home Tournament last weekend and our Senior Boys Volleyball team is set to host their home tournament starting **Friday, October 26**. Games start at 1:00pm and our Bears will play in the opening match. Anyone interested in coming to cheer on the Bears over the weekend can enter through the Purkis Hall entrance (Beaver Street) and go straight into the gym. GO BEARS!!



Professional Art Exhibit on display

October 9 - November 10, 2024

Thanks to the Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition program (Trex), a collection of 19 printmaking artworks by northern Alberta artist Carolyn Gerk are on display in our stairwell gallery. "Otherhood" explores folklore, legend, and storytelling featuring feminine figures such as banshees, Baba Yaga, the Sphinx, Medusa, and Kuchisake-Onna. Often printed on handmade paper, the artist explores the theme of the monstrous woman. Just in time for Halloween, this collection is on display thanks to the efforts of Dean Dickson, who prepared the artwork for hanging. If you would like to view the prints, please come by the school Monday - Friday between 8:30 am - 3:30 pm and sign in at the main office.

Teacher Support

Assignment completion is a work habit and skill that we hope all students develop as they pass through high school. However, some students need a little more support with being independent in their work habits. Teacher support sessions run over lunchtime on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays**. These sessions are for students who do not complete assignments by deadlines, who miss a test due to an absence, AND also for students who would like additional support. Students will need to bring their lunch with them.

Extra Curricular News

Athletics

Volleyball:

Practices this upcoming week:

- SR Girls: Monday and Wednesday from 5:00-7:00 pm

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- JV Girls: Monday from 5:00-6:30 pm and Thursday from 3:30-5:00 pm
- JR Girls: Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30-5:00 pm
- JR & JV Boys: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-5:00 pm

Volunteers 2024-2054

All volunteers need to complete a Vulnerable Sector Check with the RCMP every 12 months. This usually only takes a few days - contact Renee Husdal, in the office for more details and a form. Throughout the year we need volunteers for field trips, as coaches for teams, and other extracurricular activities.

School Fees

School fees are now on Parent Portal. You can find a listing of fees [here](#).

Debit or credit card payments can be made online through your Parent Portal. Please [click here](#) for instructions on how to make a payment using [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your fees, please contact Renee Husdal at renee.husdal@crps.ca

The Week Ahead

Monday, October 28th 2024

- Halloween Student Council Spirit Week - dress by grade
- JV girls volleyball practices from 5:30-7:00
- SR girls volleyball practice from 5:00-7:00

Tuesday, October 29th 2024

- Halloween Student Council Spirit Week - Twin Tuesday
- SAIT baking course #7
- Green Team/High Hopes meeting at lunch
- Teacher support at lunch
- JV Boys volleyball practice from 3:30-5:00
- SR Boys volleyball practice from 4:30-7:00

Wednesday, October 30th 2024

- Halloween Student Council Spirit Week - Rhyme without reason
- Quarter 1 ends (last day for Gr. 9 Quarter 1 option courses)
- Teacher support at lunch
- Student Leadership meeting at lunch - room 115
- JR Girls volleyball practice from 3:30-5:00

Thursday, Oct. 31st 2024

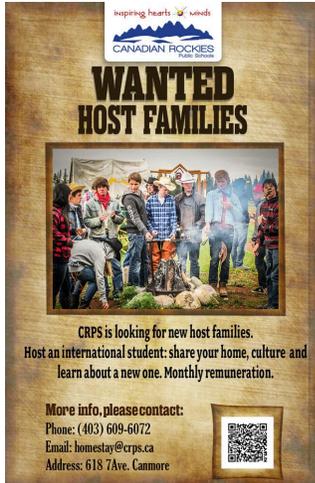
- Halloween Student Council Spirit Week - Halloween costume
- Quarter 2 begins (new option courses for Gr. 9 students)
- Teacher support at lunch
- Grad committee meeting at lunch in room 115.
- JR & JV Boys VBall practice from 3:30-5:00 pm
- JV Girls VBall practice from 3:30-5:00 pm

Friday, Nov. 1st 2024

- Half Day - Blocks C & D - Classes end at 11:42 am
- SR Boys VBall Tournament @ Strathmore (Fri/Sat)
- JV Boys VBall Tournament @Brooks (Fri/Sat)
- Sat. Nov. 2 - JR Girls VBall Home Tournament

Upcoming Dates

- Nov. 4: School Council meeting - 4:15 pm in the BCHS Library
- Nov. 5: SAIT baking course #8
- Nov. 6: Parent Student Teacher Conferences - 5:00-8:00 pm
- Nov. 7: Parent Student Teacher Conferences - 4:00-7:00 pm
- Nov. 7: Remembrance Day assembly - [Modified timetable](#)
- Nov. 8: Parent Student Teacher Conferences - 8:30-11:30 am - No Classes for students
- Nov. 11: Remembrance Day - No School
- Nov. 12: SAIT Baking Course #9
- Nov. 12: Avalanche Training Presentation - Gr. 9s
- Nov. 15/16: Boys and Girls SR and JV Volleyball teams - Zone Competition
- Nov. 19: SAIT Baking Course # 10



Host Families Needed for International Students!

The CRPS International Student Program is looking for local Bow Valley families to join our Homestay Program from Feb-June 2025. Being a host family is a truly meaningful experience for all involved as you share culture, language, activities, and memories that will last a lifetime. Please check out the [Homestay Website](#) where you will find all the information you need about hosting a student including a link to the [Homestay Application](#).

UBC Forestry Undergraduate Information Sessions

These sessions are tailored for high school students who are passionate about the environment, sustainability, and the great outdoors.

In these exclusive online sessions, students can learn about:

- Exploring major environmental challenges in their first year and using this knowledge to select a major later
- Our undergraduate programs, including Natural Resources, Urban Forestry, and Indigenous Land Stewardship
- Meeting our advisors and getting questions answered
- Exciting career paths in forestry and co-op opportunities
- Life at UBC and our vibrant campus
- Financial aid and scholarship options
- Clubs and extracurricular activities

Why Choose UBC's Faculty of Forestry? At UBC, we are committed to shaping the future of forestry and environmental conservation. With world-renowned faculty, hands-on learning opportunities, and state-of-the-art facilities, students will be well-equipped for a fulfilling career in this vital field.

[Learn more and register for our monthly sessions](#)

News

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

Follow the [link](#) to view the highlights in The Brief from the October CRPS 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.
- Grade 10-12 students can access their official Alberta Education transcript of marks through a myPass account (myPass.alberta.ca). Grade 10 marks will start to appear after the first semester.
- The 2024/2025 Student / Parent Handbook is available on our [home page](#). Do have a look as it contains a lot of important information about how our school operates, our expectations, our celebrations of student success and dates for the whole year including diploma exams.
- Please click this link for the [2024 - 2025 School Calendar](#)

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:



Website

Bear Celebrations

If you have a BCHS Celebration that you would like to share with our community, please email darren.anderson@crps.ca.