Learning, Loving, Living for our Lord

ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Teaching for transformation

Visit our website at <u>rockychristian.wrsd.ca</u>. There you will be able to find:

- Latest news from the school and calendars of coming events
- Newsletters (past and present)
- All of the current forms needed for school use
- Hot lunch and Moo Club forms
- School Council information

Like!! us on Facebook for all current information

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Please be sure that you stop by the office to sign in and pick up a "Visitor" tag before you go to any other part of the school. We are responsible to show proof that we can account for <u>everyone</u> in the building.

Please try to remember to phone the office when you know your child is going to be absent or late. This saves me from having to phone you to check up on them. You can also email me at marie.aasman@wrsd.ca

Please be sure that you obey the **No Parking** signs on the front of the building. **THANK YOU**.



#### Mission <mark>Statement</mark>

Rocky Christian School is an interdenominational community of Christian believers dedicated to developing and pursuing excellence in Christ-centered education.

Vision Statement

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the home, church and school will work together to equip students to live lives that honour and serve God and contribute to society in a positive way.



November 2018

# FROM THE BOARD

Thank you to those who attended our Society Fall General Meeting last night. We had a good turn out from parents and staff! We had positive discussion on our finances and the fact that our school building is in good shape! Fundraising and Promotions is excited to tell everyone that the Fidgets are coming again on February 9th! Mr. Duiker reported on our schools' Annual Education Results Report, and updated us on events happening at our school! Most important is that we need to keep in our prayers the independent Christian schools in our province, who are being threatened in their ability to be distinctly Christian in their curriculum, policies, and structures by our provincial Minister of Education.

#### Want to get involved, but don't know where to start? Become a member and join a committee!

<u>Capital Management</u> - Take part in improvement projects related to school and grounds and help plan for the future of the school.

**<u>Finance</u>** - Want to learn what your Fair Share Contribution does? Are you good with numbers? Why not help out with managing our Society budget?

**Fundraising/ Promotions** - Are you gifted in planning and hospitality? Join us to help improve RCS and greater community!

<u>Fidgets Committee</u> - The Fidgets are coming! We are looking for volunteers to help plan for a successful evening of food and entertainment.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY** ~ Rocky Christian School is seeking a part-time Educational Assistant. The successful candidate will work with children with a variety of learning needs primarily in grades 4 and 5 for approximately 3 hours per day. Duties will commence December 10, 2018. A complete application package will include cover letter, resume, names and contacts of three references, a pastor's reference and a statement of Christian faith. The successful candidate will be required to provide satisfactory and current (within six months) Criminal Record and Intervention checks as conditions of employment.

The posting will remain open until 2:00 p.m. on Monday, December 3, 2018. Applications should be emailed to <u>humanresources@wrsd.ca</u>. Please include competition number, EA-18-19-47 RCS, and the applicant name in subject line. Only candidates I selected for an interview will be contacted.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

As December get to be quite busy with all of our Christmas projects and programs, we will not have a School Council meeting in December. Our next meeting will be held on **January 21** at 7:30pm in Room 215.

#### BAND CONCERT

Please join us on Wednesday, December 19 @ 7:00pm for our Grade Six—Nine band concert. Come hear some old Christmas favourites...and maybe a new song or two as well.

#### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Invite your family and friends and come join us on Thursday, December 20 at 2:15 in the gym for our Christmas Program. Our K—5 Choir has been hard at work learning some new songs and there will be various classroom presentations as well.

You won't want to miss this!

### <u>ROCKY AND DISTRICT</u> <u>MINISTERIAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS</u> <u>SERVICE</u>

Our kindergarten—grade five choir has been asked to be a part of the Community Christmas service again this year. The service will be held on **December 2** at 7:00 pm at the First Christian Reformed Church. Children are asked to dress in their "Christmas best" and to sit with

their parents until it is their turn to come up to sing. This is a wonderful service and the church tends to fill up quickly, so you may want to arrive a bit early.



#### V.I.P FOODS SERVICES FUNDRAISER

If you placed an order for the VIP Foods Fundraiser, please remember that pick up is scheduled for Wednesday, December 5 from 2:30—4:00pm.

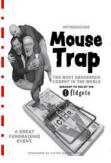
#### <u>Thank you</u>



to everyone who helped support Operation Christmas Child by filling up

shoeboxes. We delivered approximately 35 shoeboxes to help children around the world experience the joy of Christmas and the love of Jesus through your generosity.

# THE FIDGETS ARE COMING BACK!!



The Fidgets so enjoyed their time with us last year that they are coming back for a repeat performance!! We will be hosting them on Saturday, February 9 as the entertainment portion of our Dessert evening fundraiser—just in time for Valentines Day. Tickets on sale now (great stocking stuffers) for \$25/each at the school office. Get your tickets now and be prepared for a great evening out with wonderful desserts and fantastic entertainment.



## ROYALS SPORTS SHORTS

#### VOLLEYBALL

Our volleyball teams did very well this year with both of our grade 8/9 teams finishing second at the division level. All teams played with great Christian character and sportsmanship and represented RCS well. Way to go Royals!!

#### HOCKEY

Our hockey team is competing well this year with two games (and two wins) under their belts. They continue to practice on Thursdays with one game scheduled for the month of December; December 14 finds our team playing Lacombe Christian School at 7:45pm on home ice. Come out and cheer them on!

If you are interested in supporting our team and helping to make our hockey program more affordable by sponsoring them, please contact the school office.

#### BASKETBALL

Basketball is the up and coming sport of the season. Teams are being assembled and practices are being scheduled....Stay tuned for more information.



#### Short Days Ago

As we remember the fallen Short days ago As the poppies remind Us of those long ago In between the cross' row on row

In the fields as the poppies grow In between the cross' row on row Though we still grieve for those Short days ago

~ Rose Feddema—Grade 6

#### Why Do We Remember?

Trenches dug, Bombs Bursting, Guns blazing, Bullets flying.

They fought and they fight, They live and they die.

We remember when it happened, But do we remember why?

They fought for our freedom, They died for our freedom.

Our flag is still high, Because of their courage.

We pray for those in harm's way, And those who seek to keep peace.

We salute those who came before us, And those that fight for us still.

Fighting while waiting, For the peace of the Armistice.

A debt we cannot pay to those who gave all, A debt we still owe to those selfless to serve.

~ Arieanna Van Heeren—Grade 7

#### An Acrostic Poem

Remember the soldiers that went to war Every day and every night they fought Moms cried as they heard their son died Every soldier stayed brave and strong Many planes above shooting our foe Both foe and good lost many men and women Revenge is what the foe wanted Avengers fought for our country Nearly all the soldiers died in war Crosses rose as soldiers died Even when they felt weary they still fought

Dead they laid in Flanders Field As they died we cried Yay we have freedom

~ Daniel Carnahan—Grade 3

#### "A Reason to Go"

You must go No, I cannot go Go, remember your children The voices inside my head haunt me with what I know I must do Go, do the right thing No, I cannot go Go for freedom But I will die Go for your country I start to cry You know you must, so put your trust-Put my trust in whom? I will surely die Seek protection from the God most High I did it for my country, my children, and freedom and now I lie amongst the dead and I cannot cry You did the right thing But my wife and my children will they remember me? You paid the price for their lives and freedom. Now rest in peace for you are not forgotten

~ Hailey Hondebrink—Grade 7

#### **The Brave Soldiers**

Guns fire and cannons blow The very brave soldiers under the ground below The generals yell As many dead bodies fell

~ Donovan Doroshuk—Grade3

#### Grade 4/5 Soccer Tournament in Ponoka





Brrrrr.....

#### September 29, 2018



#### Remembrance Day Chapel—November 10, 2018



Canadian Veterans Don McMurter & Rev. Richard Lemmon



CTF Actions Class A brief history of Canada and it's role in the war.



In Flanders Field



Curling 2018 The grade six's have had two sessions on the ice so far, and already they are getting their delivery down ... nice form guys!











# ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL December 2018



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