# Learning, Loving, Living for our Lord



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- 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

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### 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 everyone 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 Statement

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



January 2019

# LEARNING CURVE By Rob Duiker

The Rocky Christian School Society has always relied heavily on the participation of its members for fundraising and community building events. Over the years we have had cleanup bees, pie-making gatherings, dinner theatres, silent auctions, quilt shows, construction bees, catering, and other public events which serve to raise or save money and to build community. Every few years we seem to go through a cycle where our enthusiasm for these essential events takes a downturn where we need to be reminded that we all need to pitch in and be enthusiastic about the important work that takes place here at Rocky Christian School.

During the past week our hardworking promotion and fundraising committee had to cancel the Fidgets Comedy Show and Dessert Night. It hurt to see their discouraged looks. It is true that there were many other events taking place at the same time, which contributed to slow ticket sales, but at the same time it feels like our school society needs to experience a little energy boost.

Another vehicle for school fundraising that needs a bit of a boost is our Catering Team. Recently, Robert and Brenda Boodt generously offered to take a significant role in leading the team, but they need a team. It has been reported to me by some of our phone captains that it is sometimes difficult to get volunteers to help out at weddings and other events where our Catering Team has been contracted to provide a meal and/or snacks. We can do better!

I recently attended the funeral of Gaye Klooster. At the memorial I learned that she had led the Catering Team for 25 years. Wow! That's a lot of meals! And that was a lot of opportunity for parents of Rocky Christian School students to get together for fellowship and laughter while doing some very important work for our very important school. In these days where people often have more friendships online than they do in real life, it's good to know that opportunities still exist to get together, do some hard work, and build a real life community.

That's what Rocky Christian School is; a Real Life Community. When people come into my office to register their children I tell them that this is more than a community of children. It is a community of families. I believe that is still true. Let's make certain it continues to be true.

Rocky Christian School is not a vendor that sells Christian Education. We are a community of families who believe together that Christian Education is essential, and we are willing to work for it. So let us summon up whatever energy has been lost and recommit to being active members of this fellowship of believers.

And the next time your call display reveals the name of a member of the Catering Team or someone else from the school community who might be looking for volunteers, please answer with enthusiasm and
 eagerness to do your part.

## FROM THE BOARD

**Dessert Evening Fundraiser featuring The Fidgets** ~ Due to a lack of ticket sales the decision was made to cancel this event. Thank you to those who did speak for tickets; your support is greatly appreciated.

Mark your calendars ~ Next year, 2020, marks the 50th Anniversary of our school! So much to celebrate and be thankful for! More information on this event will follow.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our School Council meeting for February will be held on February 25th at 7:30pm in Room 215. Please join us for great discussions.





First Christian Reformed Church is hosting Tim and The Glory Boys on their **Buffalo Roadshow Tour this** Spring. The concert will be

on Wednesday, March 20. Tickets \$15/advance, \$25/door, \$40/family pass and are available at the church office (403-845-6067) or at timmytour.com. For more



It is good to see our students dressing up warm for our colder January mornings.



### **COMMUNITY BUILDERS**

The grade four and five boys were ambitiously enjoying the new snow in the middle of January. They worked hard to build their snow fort that could fit up to five people!



information call the church.





### **ROYALS SPORTS SHORTS**

### **CURLING**

Curlers Hone Skills ~ With the help of our dedicated and skilled instructor, Mrs. Marie Aasman, our 2018-19 Curling Class is making great strides toward understanding and enjoying this wonderful winter sport.

Each Thursday, a group of students leave at lunch time to learn the proper techniques and etiquette for Curling. We are blessed to have some very talented students, including Derek Aasman (gr. 6) who competes around the province with his team. Other students are also involved in curling outside of this P.E. class. It is wonderful to see enthusiastic young people take up this sport. Please come over to the Arena and Rink, on Thursdays from Noon-1 p.m., to enjoy a relaxing and comfortable view of both ice sport teams in action--the RCS ROYALS hockey team and the curlers. ~ Mr. V

### **HOCKEY**

Our hockey team is doing very well this year. We have three games to play in February - February 2 in Lacombe, February 15 on home ice, and February 23 in Lacombe once again. Come out an cheer on our RCS Royals hockey team!

**SPORT FEE REMINDER** ~ If your child is/was involved in any of our sports—Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, Hockey—please make every effort to pay the fee that is associated with that sport. These fees help to pay our tournament registrations, pay for refs and scorekeepers, and to put some money away for the day that new uniforms are required.



Family Literacy Day saw our grade six and seven class in their PJs, snuggled up in blankets with their books and favourite stuffies. Reading is an essential life skill - what a fun way to encourage students to get into books.



### **SWIMMING SCHEDULE**

Swimming is beginning for many of our grades this month. The following is a schedule of dates and times. Please be sure that your child has his/her swimsuit and a towel on their scheduled day.

Kindergarten ~ Tuesday, February 5 - March 19 from 9:15 - 10:00

Grade 1/2 ~ Wednesday, February 6 - March 20 from 10:15 - 11:15

Grade 3 ~ Wednesday, February 13 - March 20 from 2:00 - 3:00

Grade 6/7 ~ Wednesday, February 13 - March 20 from 1:00 - 2:00

Grade 8/9 ~ Began Friday, January 11 - March 22 from 9:15 - 10:15

There Was a Crooked Man Rewrite by Daniel Carnahan

There was a loyal man and he walked a crooked mile. He found a divided coin against a destroyed stile. He bought a spoiled cat, which caught an annoying mouse. And they all lived together in a pointed little house.

# The Storm at the Playground

### By Tanara Houk

The playground is very crowded with a cloudy sky over the school yard.

However we like to play.

The leaves on the trees are blowing everywhere.

The loud storm is very powerful.

I count outdoors to calm myself so that I will not be scared of the loud noise.

### **GRADE 3 TOWER STRUCTURES**

The grade 3 class was hard at work designing and building their towers structures this month. They had to plan out their structure and decide what it would need for support, whether with beams or some form of truss support. There are some pretty fantastic towers there!





Europeans bringing their wares to trade



The grade 6/7 class traveled back in time to the Fur Trade era experiencing what life was like during that time. They collected beaver pelts and traded for many other useful items.



French Peasants



# ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL February 2019

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 PD Day No School for Students	2
3	4	5 Hot Lunch  Kindergarten  Swimming	6 Grade 1/2 Swimming	7	8 Grade 8/9 Swimming	9
10	11	12 Kindergarten Swimming	13 Grade 1-7 Swimming	14	15 Grade 8/9 Swimming	16
17	18 Family Day No School	19 Kindergarten Swimming	20 Kindergarten Day Grade 1-7 Swimming	21	22 Grade 8/9 Swimming	23
24	25 School Council Meeting	26 Kindergarten Swimming	27 Grade 1-7 Swimming	28		