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# ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

April 2019

Learning, Loving, Living for our Lord



## 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.

Visit our website at [rockychristian.wrsd.ca](http://rockychristian.wrsd.ca). 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 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](mailto:marie.aasman@wrsd.ca)

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

**THANK YOU.**



## Learning Curve by Rob Duiker

### **Christian Anthropology**

When we think about all ways that Christians are different than those who do not yet know Christ, the way that we understand humanity is a big one. Anthropology is the branch of philosophy that deals with the nature and essence of humanity. If you are a Christian you will have a Christian anthropology. The Bible says a great deal about what it means to be human.

Psalm 8

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens. Through the praise of children and infants You have established a stronghold against Your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place, **what is mankind that You are mindful of them, human beings that You care for them.**

You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honour. You made them rulers over the works of Your hands; You put everything under their feet: all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

In Psalm 8, David marvels that God, the great Creator of the universe, demonstrates care for humans. More than that, He made humans the rulers over everything that He made. Wow! That is very different from a more worldly understanding of mankind. Environmentalists will often contend that humanity is no more important than any other species and has no right to exercise authority over creation. However, the Bible gives to us the task of caring for God's creation on His behalf. For this reason Rocky Christian School teaches its students that we are Earth Keepers and Creation Enjoyers.

This mandate to care for all that God has made appears in the very first chapter of the Bible (Genesis 1:26-30) and includes this: "God created mankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them." We, unlike all of the other creatures, are created in the likeness of the Creator of all things. The world does not teach this. Christian schools do.

In fact, if we read through the Bible we will find that what we Christians believe about humanity is radically different in many ways from what the world believes and teaches. We believe that we are broken. When Adam and Eve fell into sin, that failure was devastating to all creation and especially to humanity. Our failures, our diseases, and death itself find their roots in the fall. While the world suggests that man is basically good, we see our brokenness as a fundamental part of what it means to be a human being after the fall and before Christ's return. Since we are broken, we need Jesus. We teach that!

The Bible teaches that we are blessed with the fruits of the Spirit and Christians are equipped with gifts of the Spirit. It teaches that we are intended to be bound together as humans in the body of Christ, living as the bride of Christ. It teaches that we are the temples of the Holy Spirit and that God resides in us. And it teaches that one day we will be restored to become the people that he designed us to be in the first place. We teach all of that! If you need a school for your children that teaches a Christian Anthropology, check out Rocky Christian School.

## **NOTES FROM THE BOARD**

Spring is in the air!! With Spring comes our **Society AGM**, which will be held on **May 29th** at 7:30pm at the school. Please join us to vote in new Board members, hear our committee reports, and learn what's going on in our school.

**Next year marks the 50th anniversary of our school!** Praise the Lord!! We have the Community Centre booked for **May 23rd, 2020** to host a wonderful celebration of God's faithfulness to our school, and many great activities are being planned leading up to that date - stay tuned... Mark your calendars, and be sure to let all past teachers and students know so that they can make plans to join us.

**From the Finance Committee** ~ We are working on next year's budget. Coming home with this newsletter is an Intent to Enroll form; please fill it out and return it to the school office by **May 10** so that the Finance committee can have an accurate number of students for budgeting purposes.

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Our next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 21st at 7:30 pm in Room 215. Please join us for great discussions.



## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!**

**Volunteer Opportunity** ~ The Alberta Masters Games are coming to Rocky this summer, and we have been given the opportunity to run the concession at the baseball diamonds! The dates are August 23 & 24 and times will likely be broken up into 3 or 4 hour shifts over the two days. We will need a lot of hands to make this work so if you feel this is an area where you are able to give of your time please contact Jessica Hoeksema 403-846-6585.

### **FLOWERS ARE COMING!**



Plants will be delivered to the school for pick up  
May 7 from  
2:00 - 4:00 pm.

**Please do not arrive earlier as our volunteers need time to get everything organized.**

### **Kindergarten Practice Morning**

2019/20 kindergarten students please join us on Wednesday, May 8 from 9:30—11:30 for an introduction to kindergarten.

Please bring a small snack and appropriate footwear for outside play.

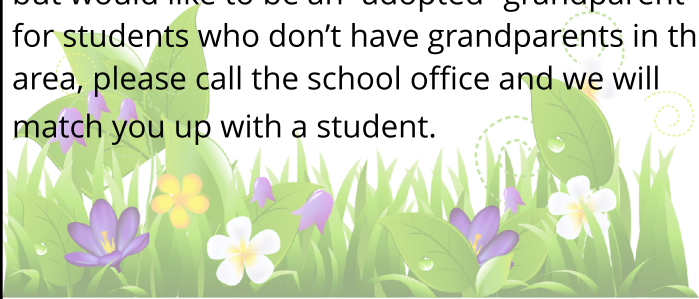
♥ **Welcome to Kindergarten**

## CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS

**YOU ARE INVITED to  
Grandparent's Day  
Tuesday, May 14, 2019  
1:00—3:00 pm at  
Rocky Christian School**

The afternoon will begin at 1:00 with you visiting your grandchildren in their classrooms followed by tea in the gym. Our Kindergarten—grade 5's will provide entertainment while you enjoy your tea and light snack.

If you don't have grandchildren in the school, but would like to be an "adopted" grandparent for students who don't have grandparents in the area, please call the school office and we will match you up with a student.



Grade three worked on building bridges this month. These are the bridges that passed the strength test and held the most weight.

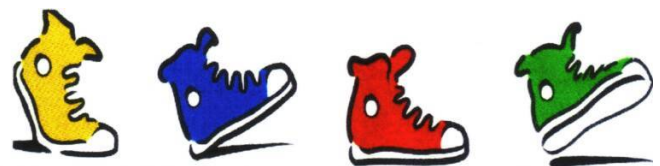
## SPRING BAND CONCERT

Please join us on Monday, May 27 at 7:00pm for our Spring Band Concert. The students have made some amazing progress and are sounding wonderful! Come hear for yourself!



## JDRF WALK FOR THE CURE

Join us on Thursday, May 16 for our JDRF Walk for the Cure. Pledge sheets came home last week. Look for more information to come home closer to the date.



**JDRF** Juvenile  
Diabetes  
Research  
Foundation  
International

*dedicated to finding a cure*

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Summer Work Bee** ~ Join the fun! July 5 & 6 we will be hanging white boards, interior and exterior painting, repairing, re-shingling the shop, Bring your tools and your friends. This is a great opportunity to knock off some volunteer hours while enjoying great fellowship!





## ROYALS SPORTS SHORTS



**Badminton** is wrapping up for the season. Players practiced hard over the past month and hope to showcase their honed skills this week. The divisional badminton tournament is scheduled for Wednesday, May 1 at West Central High School, with CWAJHAA's scheduled for May 7th and May 9th in Red Deer. Good luck to our athletes!

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to Laura Coderre, B.W. Bouwman, DeBruyn Cattle Company Ltd., Rocky Credit Union Limited and Modern Electric (Rocky) Inc. for their generous donations that enabled us to purchase new jerseys and shorts for our Jr. High sports teams!! Our players are looking sharp out on the courts!!

Our ROYALS **Hockey** team brought home the trophy again! Great season team!! Thank you to all of our coaches and parents for your dedication to our school and team.



## GRADE 3 POETRY

Jesus died on the cross  
Jesus was laid in the tomb  
they thought it was a loss  
they were filled with gloom  
Rebecca Miller

Immanuel  
Lord, Messiah  
loving, preaching, dying  
loved us so much  
God  
Isabell van der Wind

Jesus was crucified  
The Pharisees though he lied  
Then there was an empty tomb  
There was a terrible gloom  
Chelsey Blaak

Redeemer  
brilliant, teacher  
loving, teaching, singing  
on the painful cross  
Rabbi  
Andrew Smith



Intercessor  
amazing, wonderful  
loving, saving, redeeming  
in the wonderful world  
Rabbi  
Ben deBruyn

# STUDENT WORKS

## Writing and Reflecting in Grade 4 and 5

Students were asked to complete the phrase,

“You might be an RCS student if...”

Here is what they came up with.

“You might be an RCS student if-you have never used a locker”. Ann Nonamous

“You might be an RCS student if-you have a teacher that feeds you jelly beans.” Genevieve

“You might be an RCS student if-you like math.” Genevieve

“You might be an RCS student if-you have a desk that flips its lid.” Kolin

“You might be an RCS student if-you drop your pencil sharpener and it explodes on the floor.” Kolin

“You might be an RCS student if - you have chapel and pray three times a day.” ??

“You might be an RCS student if-you love your class.” Logan

“You might be an RCS student if-you do multiplication charts for homework.” Liam

“You might be an RCS student if-your mom or dad also went to this school (and had the same teacher),” Arthur Unknown

“You might be an RCS student if-You only have 4 boys in your grade.” Drew

“You might be an RCS student if - you have lots of cousins in your class”. Liam

“You might be an RCS student if-you like being forced to play all sports: hockey, badminton, basketball, soccer, volleyball, curling, track, cross-country.” Lucia

“You might be an RCS student if - you get to play the pastors in floor hockey on Pastors’ Day.” Ruth

“You might be an RCS student if- your teacher likes to tell lots of stories.” Teslynn

“You might be an RCS student if - you say it, pray it, believe it and receive it.” Brighton

“You might be an RCS student if-you know what JDRF stands for.” Daniel VG

“You might be an RCS student if- you learn about God and the Bible.” Lucia

It Must Be  
Spring...



Grade 4 and 5  
Planting seeds





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Badminton Tournament  Kindergarten Day	2	3  PD Day No School for Students	4
5	6	7 <b>Hot Lunch</b>  Flower Pick Up	8  Kindergarten Practice Day	9	10	11
12	13	14  Grandparents' Day	15	16	17  Day off in acknowledgement of P/T Interviews	18
19	20 Victoria Day No School	21  School Council Meeting	22  Kindergarten Day	23	24	25
26	27  Spring Band Concert	28	29  Society AGM	30	31  Christian Schools Track Meet	