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ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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.

Visit our website at 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

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.

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.



LEARNING CURVE BY ROB DUIKER

DO WE STILL WANT A KING LIKE DAVID?

When I go to a Christian concert, one of my pet peeves is the talk. Typically, I'll be muttering to myself something like, "I came for the music; not a bunch of short sermons." This week when I attended the Brian Doerksen concert at the Alliance Church the pattern reversed unexpectedly. I found myself reflecting more on Doerksen's words between songs than on the music.

To be honest, I cannot remember his exact words because I immediately embellished them with my own thought processes. At one point he commented on the reality that the Jews before the birth of Jesus were expecting a messiah who would be a king like David. I'm not certain if this is what Doerksen intended or not, but I began to ponder, "Do we still want a King like David?" "Does the church, or some broad cross section of Christians still long for the exercise of political power in the name of Jesus?" "Is that the Jesus we want, even today?"

The Jesus I know was born in a manger and made no attempt to wield political power. The Prince of Peace did not aspire to overthrow the Romans. He brought a very different kind of peace. His Kingship was characterized by meekness and humility.

As I sat there in the back row of the Alliance church sanctuary, I pondered the ways that Christians today exercise political might. I recollected the times that Christians filled rooms at political gatherings and raised their collective voices in support of Christian ideas that might one day become Christian laws. I considered the ways that we engage battles in public discourse where we might not distinguish ourselves as people who exercise political power in a different way than those who do not know Jesus.

I reflected on the recent resignation of Andrew Scheer as the leader of the Conservative Party of Canada. What kind of leader were Christians expecting him to be? Did he fail to be the kind of leader who would conquer the foe? Was our expectation of him perhaps a little bit like that of the Jews expecting a king like David?

I puzzled about the popular carol lines, "Born to set Thy people free!" and, "He rules the world with truth and grace." He is that kind of King!

So I now wrestle with the question, "Is Jesus the kind of king that we want? ...because He has to be! If we are still waiting for a Jesus who rules the world with something other than truth and grace, we are missing the real Jesus. Is it our mission to make Canada prove the glories of His righteousness and wonders of His love? How about Rocky Mountain House or just Rocky Christian School? Every day we are called to prove the wonders of Jesus love and the glories of His righteousness. What does that require? I think we have work to do.

I don't know if my ponderings about King Jesus do justice to what Doerksen was trying to communicate, but they did stir up a deep longing for a King; for a Messiah! Joy to the world, the LORD is come!! Let earth receive her King!! Glory to the Newborn King!!

SCHOOL COUNCIL/BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Our next school council meeting will be on January 20.

The Rocky Christian School Society Board wishes everyone a very blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!

KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION/REGISTRATION EVENING



If you have a child turning five on or before December 31, 2020, it is time to start thinking about kindergarten. Please join us on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 for our kindergarten information and registration evening. Mrs. Sulek, our kindergarten teacher, and Mr. Duiker, our principal, will be on hand to explain a bit about our kindergarten program and the school in general. There will also be some parents who have children attending our school there to answer any other questions that you may have. So bring your child along to meet the teacher and take a tour of our school.

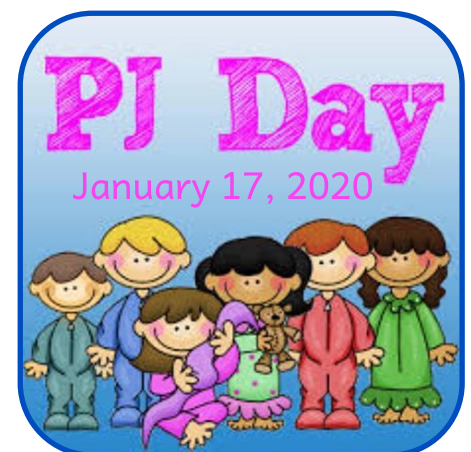
Know of other families with kindergarten aged children who may not have heard about our school? Please share this invitation with them as well.

RCS CATERING CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

- We have an upcoming wedding to cater on **February 22**.

If you are able to help out with this event, please call the school office or Jessica Hoeksema @ 403-846-6585. This is a great way to mark off some of those volunteer hours while getting to know/working with other families from our school.

SWIMMING begins in the New Year. Please be sure to watch your child's classroom newsletter/emails so that students are prepared with a towel and swimsuit, and are able to participate on their designated day.



FAMILY SKATE NIGHT

Our first Community Skate Night was a big hit! Lots of families came out to skate and play some hockey. We even had a special guest come for a short visit! Many thanks to the A & W for supplying the coffee and hot chocolate for the event. We will be hosting another skate night on January 24.



ROYALS SPORTS SHORTS

BASKETBALL



Basketball practices are well under way, schedules are set, and teams are looking forward to some game play in the new year! Our Boys C team is being coached by Keith Siemens, the A Boys team is being coached by Carson Mair, the C Girls team is being coached by Cheryl deBruyn and Jill Dahle while our A Girls team is being coached by Esme deBruyn and Janelle VanHeeren. Be sure to come out and support our teams at their games starting in the New Year!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 Hot Lunch	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Kindergarten Day	16	17 Pajama Day	18
19	20	21	22	23	24 Family Skate Night 7:00 PM	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 PD Day No School for Students	

*Blessed Christmas Greetings from the Staff of
Rocky Christian School*



MVJ
Joel Scobisma
Janice Lulek

Jacquelyn
Magnus
Rob Dinkler

Lucy Walton
Janice Petersen
M.W. Smarans
Marie
Aasman

Betty
Blockster
Gill
Dahle