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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.



Tribute to My Mother

Rob Duiker

Many of you know that I spent the past week in Ontario to attend the funeral of my mother. One of my tasks associated with this bittersweet milestone in the life of our family was to prepare and deliver a eulogy on behalf of my siblings. While my mother's skills and accomplishments were many, one of the things I said about her was this:

Christian Education was of critical importance to Mom. In the Acton area she was known as Mrs. Christian High School. In fact, she terrorized people with her relentless pursuit of funds for Christian schools. She was tenacious in raising funds for the Georgetown Christian School and Toronto District Christian High School.

If she were to come to your door, she wasn't leaving until she had a donation. She always exceeded the fundraising goal set for the Acton area, while the other areas consistently missed their targets.

Every Christian school needs a Wilhelmina Duiker; someone who believes in it that much. For her, Christian Education was vitally important for passing the faith on to the generations that follow us.

In the pews at my mother's funeral I could see children, grandchildren, and great-children, all of whom were impacted by my mother's devout Christian life, and many of whom were impacted by the Christian schools that were so dear to her.

As we reflect on the 50 years that Rocky Christian School has been in existence, I wonder who the Wilhelmina Duikers have been in our history. It is obviously true that churches, Christian schools and other Christian causes require substantial amounts of money to build and to operate. The job of being the person that asks for that money is not one that many people desire. We owe a debt of gratitude to the folks who did that job on our behalf over the past 50 years.

As we reflect on the next 50 years we know that we will have to do some building. We hope that our school grows, requiring us to add to the size of our current facility. We know that the building will need to be replaced one day as a natural consequence of aging. Who will be the people who believe in Christian Education so much that they will pay for it? Who will be the people who ask for those contributions?

As we scan the pews of churches this Sunday, look around for people whose lives have been enriched by Christian Education. Notice how Rocky Christian School has helped families over the years to pass on a devout Christian faith to the next generation.

They say that people will pay for whatever they believe in. I encourage you to think a lot about Christian Education and consider the role it plays in building up the body of Christ. I encourage you to believe in it as one effective way to help us carry out the most important ministry of all ... the ministry of preparing our children for a Christian life.

SCHOOL COUNCIL/BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- We had our first two catering club grant applications approved. The grade 8/9 class is already making great use of the 5 new spikeball game sets and we have ordered a whole new volleyball set up! New nets, posts, Ref stand, volleyballs, all of it! This is thanks to everyone who volunteers to help with RCS catering club events!
- Remember to purchase your Society membership to support the Society and get involved in meetings and voting!
- **Fall General Meeting is set for Wednesday, November 25th, 2020 @ 7:30 in the school gym. Please plan to attend!**
- Next School Council Meeting is **November 16th @ 7:30.**



FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE NOTES

This year we are doing our annual **VIP Foods** fundraiser along with **Purdys Chocolate!** All money raised from fundraisers this year will go toward new basketball and hockey nets for outside.



Purdys' chocolates are made fresh in Vancouver from only 100% sustainable cocoa. They have a great selection of chocolate gifts so you can help us out while getting some Christmas shopping done. I'm sure our teachers and bus drivers would love a box. Please share with your friends and families. Orders can be done online, so please click the link and follow the instructions. If you require a catalogue or a paper order form please contact Marie in the office.

ORDER ONLINE: (fundraising.purdys.com)

PLACE & PAY FOR ORDERS BY:

1. Login or create a new account
2. A search bar will pop up once you're logged in.
Type **56959** into the search bar.
3. Click JOIN CAMPAIGN
4. Invite friends and family to help! Simply ask them to follow the same steps above.



As for **VIP Foods**, we are once again selling bacon, sausages and perogies; an order form came home with this newsletter. Please collect orders and payment and hand it in to Marie in the office.

Thank you for your support!

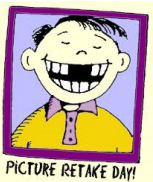
Orders are due by Friday, November 20th and they will be available for pick up at the school on Thursday, December 3rd.

REPORT CARDS & PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS



Report cards are scheduled to go home on Thursday, November 20 with Parent/Teacher interviews being planned for Wednesday, November 25 and Thursday, November 26. We are planning to have in-person appointments; a schedule will come home with report cards. If you are not comfortable with meeting in person or if your scheduled time does not work for you, please call the office to make other arrangements. You are encouraged to attend parent/teacher interviews as it helps to have both the teacher and the parents on the same page when it comes to your child's academic progress.

Picture Retake Day



Retakes will be taken on Wednesday, **November 4.**

If you would like to have retakes done, please call the school office so that we can let the photographer know who to plan for.

Please remember - **don't** wear **green.**

WEAR YOUR FAVOURITE JERSEY
TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 24TH

Jersey
DAY



Remembrance Day

*Never forget,
Always remember.*

November 11, 12 & 13~ No School due to Remembrance Day and a couple of extra days off for students and staff. Enjoy an extra long weekend.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Once again, our school will be participating in this program. We will be collecting shoeboxes November 2-7. Boxes will be available at the office. We will accept boxes until Nov. 10 when they will be packed up and delivered to the collection point in town. If you wish to participate but don't want to pack an entire shoebox, we will also be collecting funds to pack shoeboxes online. This feature now allows us to track where our shoebox

goes! Destination countries are announced in December and our school will receive an email when they know where the box is going! Let's see how many children we can bless with this special gift and share the message of Jesus. Please bring completed boxes to Mrs. Aasman in the office. If you have questions, please email Mrs. Petersen at janice.petersen@wrsd.ca.





The grade 8 and 9 students would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to the RCS Board for the Catering Club grant that was used to purchase five brand new Spikeball sets for us! Having gym outside (or inside) just became that much more fun!!



We recently had two 50th Anniversary benches installed at the school. They look fantastic and have already been put to good use. Be sure to take a look next time you are at the school.



UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL **WITH AN OWL'S LUNCH**

The grade six and seven classes got to see what an owl eats - by dissecting the pellet that is regurgitated by the owl after digestion.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Hot Lunch	4  Picture Retakes Kindergarten Day	5	6	7
8	9	10 Christmas Shoeboxes Due	11 Remembrance Day No School	12 No School for Students and Staff	13 No School for Students and Staff	14
15	16 School Council Meeting	17	18 Kindergarten Day	19	20 Fundraising Order Forms Due	21
22	23	24 Jersey Day	25 Society Fall AGM	26	27 PD Day No School for Students	28
29	30					