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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](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

## 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](mailto:marie.aasman@wrsd.ca)

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

**THANK YOU.**



## COPS & ROBBERS

By Rob Duiker

There are people who believe that our school would be a great place to enroll their children because we have good kids. There is some truth to this; at least I like to think so. When we teach our students about the fruit of the Spirit ... love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control ... they usually pay attention and they realize that these are exactly the same things that they are taught at home and church. However, it would be a mistake to think that sin is not a reality at Rocky Christian School.

There is a fallacy that is represented in books, TV shows, movies, and video games that there are good guys and bad guys ... good girls and bad girls. Children will sometimes play cops and robbers following a model that says the world is made up of good people and evil people. If only it was that simple.

About the sinfulness of every human, the Bible is abundantly clear. Ecclesiastes 7:20 says, "Indeed, there is no one on earth who is righteous, no one who does what is right and never sins." Paul repeats this in Romans 3 where we find the oft memorized passage, "As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one."

If our TV shows, video games, movies and books are to present the world as it really is, good and evil should not be represented by people. Rather, they are duking it out in the heart of every person. Children playing cops and robbers must eventually see each constable as a broken justice seeker pursuing the similarly broken justice avoider. The difference between us is not our good and evil. It is Grace!

Fortunately for the world, grace is not only bestowed upon Christians. We are not the only ones who are blessed with the ability to see and do good. We are the ones who see that the job of conquering evil is too big for us. We are the ones who understand how big our sin really is. We are the ones who understand that Jesus is the solution to our sin problem

After Paul repeated the Biblical truth that no-one is righteous, in Chapter 4 he said this:

*If you're a hard worker and do a good job, you deserve your pay; we don't call your wages a gift. But if you see that the job is too big for you, that it's something only God can do, and you trust Him to do it—you could never do it for yourself no matter how hard and long you worked—well, that trusting-him-to-do-it is what gets you set right with God, by God. Sheer gift.* (Romans 4:4&5 The Message)

In Matthew 13:24-30 we find the parable of the Wheat and the Weeds. I grew up thinking of the Wheat and the weeds as people. As an adult I learned another explanation, that each of us has wheat and weeds battling it out within us. That battle will continue until Jesus returns.

Like every school, Rocky Christian School has a sin problem. Every student and staff member has a sin problem. But we know that Jesus is bigger than our sin. So we take Jesus with us on the playground and into the classroom doing a job that we cannot do no matter how hard we try. We invite Jesus continually to spray our weeds and to fertilize our wheat.

If you know someone who is looking for a school with no sin, Rocky Christian School probably isn't the place. However, if they are looking for a school where we are aware that we need Jesus ... where we are aware that our sin is big, but Jesus is bigger, send them right here. We'd like to talk.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL/BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- It's that time of year again! The board is looking for nominations to fill a few positions on the board. If you are interested, or know of anyone you think would be great at it, please let one of the current board members know and we will review all recommendations.
- Our next School Council Meeting is scheduled for **March 22, 2021 @ 7:30**.



### KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION



If you have a child turning five on or before December 31, 2021, it is time to start thinking about kindergarten.

Unfortunately we are unable to host a live Information/Registration evening at this time, but are waiting for direction from Alberta Health Services. We hope to be able to schedule one for April or May. If you would like information prior to a live event, we will schedule virtual appointments with Mr. Duiker and Mrs. Sulek at your request.

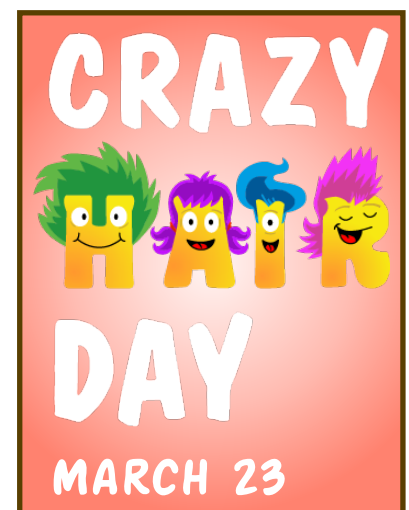
If you know of others who may not have heard about our school, please be sure to share this information with them as well.

Registration packages are available in the school office.

### **ANNUAL FLOWER FUNDRAISER**

Are you looking forward to some colour on your deck or patio? How about some fresh berries to sweeten up that desert? Then take a look at our next fundraiser!!

We are working with **West Country Greenhouse** again this year. They are offering planters, hanging baskets, strawberry baskets, gift cards and more. Order forms are coming home with this newsletter and are due back in the office by Friday, March 26, with the flowers being ready to pick up on Friday, May 7 (just in time for Mother's Day).





## IDENTITY IN CHRIST

The grade 5s just completed a mini devotion unit where we looked at our identity in Christ. We listened to different songs that tell us truths from Scripture about who we are in Him and how He makes us new. For our last day, we each chose one of the "new names" we receive as followers of Jesus and tried to make them real by wearing name tags and calling each other by those names. Mrs. "Child-of-the-Father"'s class chose names like "Loved by God", "Re-made", "Never Alone", "A Masterpiece", "Forgiven and Free", and more as we helped each other live out our identity as children of God.



## PAJAMA DAY

Students (and staff) got to enjoy the day in their pajamas on January 26. It also turned out to be a very chilly day. How much better could it get - PJ day **AND** indoor recesses!!







## WELCOME TO NARNIA!

The grade 5 class held a "Narnia Day" upon the completion of their novel study on *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*. They decorated their classroom and created some very elaborate costumes to portray the characters in the book.

I believe that Aslan was even seen working on a Chromebook!



## INCLEMENT WEATHER

The week of February 8 - 12 was a good reminder that we live in a climate that can change quite drastically in a short period of time. Please be sure to check the weather and bus status on days of extreme weather. If buses don't run in the morning, they also do not run in the afternoon. Please be sure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather when they are at school as they are expected to go outside for recess unless we dip down to -23 (then they will have indoor recesses).





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 PD Day No school for students	6
7	8	9	10 Kindergarten Day	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 PD Day No school for students	20
21	22 School Council	23  Crazy Hair Day	24 Kindergarten Day	25	26 Flower Fundraiser Forms Due	27
28	29	30	31			