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# ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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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 Milk order 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.**



## AEA Survey

It is almost time again for another Alberta Education Assurance Survey. In mid-February students from Kindergarten to Grade 9, teachers, and parents will be invited to participate in a survey of such things as measurements of welcoming, caring, respectful, and safe learning environments, access to supports and services, student engagement, citizenship, education quality, and parent involvement.

It's no surprise that our school consistently performs quite well on this survey. Christian homes tend to be safe, respectful, caring, and welcoming places, and our school is a reflection of that. Unlike other schools in Rocky, our school was started by engaged parents and grandparents who took responsibility for the type of education their children would receive. That is still the kind of school we strive to be; one that recognizes that our authority is delegated to us by parents.

Last year our results were among the best in the school division and consistently above the provincial average. We appreciate this show of support from our parents and students.

Assurance Domain	Measure	Rocky Christian School, 2020/21			Alberta		
		Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average	Current Result	Prev Year Result	Prev 3 Year Average
Student Growth and Achievement	Student Learning Engagement	88.7	n/a	n/a	85.6	n/a	n/a
	Citizenship	91.6	83	84.6	83.2	83.3	83
Teaching & Leading	Education Quality	96.5	89.4	86.8	89.6	90.3	90.2
Learning Supports	Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Learning Environments	93.4	n/a	n/a	87.8	n/a	n/a
	Access to Supports and Services	91.2	n/a	n/a	82.6	n/a	n/a
Governance	Parental Involvement	100	81.7	87.4	79.5	81.8	81.4

Parental involvement has always been our strong suit from before the time our school first opened its doors in 1970. This year, in order to even further enhance parental involvement, we would like to rekindle interest in our school council. In January we hosted a well-attended virtual meeting featuring an important discussion with two of our trustees regarding the new rules about testing and vaccinations for employees and volunteers.

At our next meeting on February 10, we plan to share ideas for a substantial building project with a budget somewhere between 1.5 and 2 million dollars. You won't want to miss that. A slideshow will be presented featuring three proposals, each satisfying a different set of priorities. This is BIG!! We need your input because this school is the kind of community where devout Christian parents drive our long-term decision making. Please plan to attend.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL / BOARD HIGHLIGHTS



- At the Society's General Meeting in October it was decided that we needed a group of dedicated individuals to help plan for the future of our school and school facilities. We would like to thank Kelly Brouwer, Hendri Hondebrink, Siemen Van der Meer, Rob Duiker, Tony Blaak and Colleen Tensen for stepping up to the challenge and forming our Future Planning Task Force. They will be working with the board as we navigate different building/renovations options.
- Please join us on **February 10th** at 7:00pm for our virtual School Council meeting and see some ideas that have been worked up for the future of our school! Please call/email the school office so that we can email you a link to the meeting.

## FUNDRAISING NOTES

We are excited to offer some new fundraising opportunities!



First off, we will be doing our annual **VIP Foods** fundraiser. Let's stock everyone's freezer for the rest of the winter with some bacon, sausage and perogies!!

We are also happy to try a new fundraiser this year. We will be selling coffee from a local company called **Nok Box coffee**. Who doesn't like a good cup of coffee?



Forms came home last week and are due back to the office by Wednesday, **February 9**. Orders will be available for pick up at the school the following Wednesday, **February 16** between 2:30 and 4:00pm in the gym.

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

### FOR 2022/2023



If you have a child turning 5 on or before December 31, 2022, it is time to start thinking about registering for kindergarten.

Online registration is now open on our website; be sure to select the 2022 -2023

PreK/ECS Student Registration. If you are already one of our school families, you can register a new student through your PowerSchool Parent Portal -> SchoolEngage.

Our kindergarten information evening is set for Thursday, March 24. Please share this information with anyone you know who might be looking to find the perfect school for their family.



# HOME SWEET HOME

The grade 6 class worked on their understanding of figurative language and their descriptive writing techniques in December. Their final project was to take on the role of real estate agents and create a description of a gingerbread house with the intention of enticing buyers to purchase their "home". We wrapped up this project by decorating our own mini gingerbread houses.

## Douma's Delicious Houses



This coveted 3-bedroom house is located in the populated but not crowded neighbourhood of Winter Park. The flat roof is made out of unique caramel Kit-Kats and has a skin soothing hot-tub to sit in while you watch the sun set on top. The hot-tub is made out of custom ordered blue peppermints that glows at night. It has luxurious mint tea that will relax your muscles and make your skin smooth. The double door is two charming cookies and cream with two square pieces of black licorice. There is also a path to the door made out of after-8 chocolate mints with red licorice along the sides. For more information contact us at [www.DDH.ca](http://www.DDH.ca)!

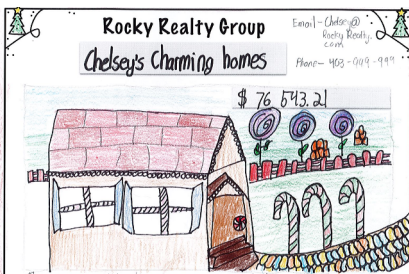
## Beast House on the Block



This luxurious house is located at 527 Jolly Rancher Street. The red licorice roof is very charming. The Jube Jube path leads up to the Coffee Crisp door with a Jube Jube doorbell. The windows made of white chocolate covered pretzels are very memorable. The porch is very tranquil with a Twix roof, pretzel railing and a Mars Bar swing. When you walk through the 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home you will observe a Jolly Rancher ice rink in among the candy cane trees, surrounded by a Kit Kat fence. And after skating, you can sit by a caramel fire place with some candy cane pillars inside the house.

## Chelsey's Charming Homes

This amazing 4 bedroom cinnamon scented home is in the wonderfully delicious neighbourhood of Winter Park, Northwest Territories. It is located in Candycane Lane, house 11. This comfortable, charming place has 2 bathrooms with Kinder Egg sinks and a melted candy shower. As we keep going we will come to the living room and dining room that are made of delicious gingerbread. The windows are made of beautiful cherry candy canes and with fruit strip shutters. You can see the town swimming pool from the side window. Now for the outside; as you walk up the classic jellybean sidewalk, illuminated by mint candy cane lamp posts, to the luxurious front door and porch you will be in awe. The door has a circle mint doorknob and the beautiful porch is just for you. The stunning roof is made of red candy strip shingles with white edible pear Christmas lights. The peaceful garden has extremely swirly lolly-pop trees and colourful jube-jube bushes. It is outlined in a magnificent red licorice fence. Don't miss your opportunity to live in this amazing home!



A few more constructed homes in the general neighbourhood.





**GO ROYALS!!**



We are very happy that our basketball season could continue with games against other schools in the division.

Here both teams are playing Pioneer. The girls played very well, commanding a 42-15 win over their competition while the boys fought a tough battle to come out with a 27-32 loss when the final buzzer sounded.



**RCS BOYS VS. PIONEER**

**RCS GIRLS VS. PIONEER**

### MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE

Grade 2 and 3 made musical instruments from recycled material for their science unit of Sound and Hearing. They had to remember to make material vibrate for their instrument to make a sound. We had an enjoyable time making up tunes and playing them for the class and changing the pitch.



### PAJAMA DAY



# Sledding Fun - December 21, 2021



Enjoying the beautiful  
January weather.





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## February 2022



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 C Girls - @ RCS B Boys -@ RCS	2	3 B Boys- @ RCS B Girls -@ RCS	4	5
6	7	8	9 Kindergarten Day	10 C Girls - @ Caroline B Girls - @ RCS B Boys - @ RCS <b>School Council Meeting</b>	11	12
13	14	15 <b>Hat Day</b> C Girls - @ DT B Boys - @ DT	16	17 B Girls - @ Pioneer B Boys - @ Pioneer	18	19
20	21 Family Day Holiday	22 No School for Students or Staff	23	24 Alberta Teachers' Convention No school for students	25	26
27	28 C Girls - @ RCS					