

LIFELINE

Learning, Loving, Living for our Lord



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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 order forms
- School Council information

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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.



Mission Statement

Rocky Christian School is an interdenominational community of Christian believers dedicated to developing and pursuing excellence in Christ-centered 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 God and contribute to society in a positive way.



ROCKY CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL

October 2023

Pondering Remembrance

In 1953 my parents immigrated to Canada from the Netherlands. They could have chosen some other country to move to in search of a better life, but for them Canada was the obvious choice.

Eight years prior to their immigration, in 1945, the Netherlands celebrated something they called the Canadian Summer. On May 5 of that year, Canadian general Charles Foulkes accepted the surrender of the German forces in the Netherlands at Wageningen. The summer that followed was a summer of celebrating the joyful arrival of peace. The significant Canadian military presence in the Netherlands at the end of the war in Europe was a cause of an outpouring of love by the Dutch towards Canada that continues to this day.



I am sometimes concerned about Canada and what it has become. But as a Canadian I still beam with pride when I consider how it was Canadians who liberated the homeland of my parents in 1944 and 1945. I sometimes reflect on what the world might have become had Canada and the Allied Forces not stepped up to risk life and limb to defeat Hitler and his Nazi regime. I think about it even more nowadays when the likes of Hamas and Vladimir Putin wreak havoc in parts of the world that are far away from here. Will we ever experience another Canadian Summer?

On Remembrance Day we remember things that happened before we were born; things that have profoundly shaped the world in which we live. It is on Remembrance Day that I remember many of the reasons why I cherish the right to call myself a Canadian. On each Remembrance Day I am thankful anew for all of the rights and freedoms that I have but that many people around the globe do not have. Chief among them is the right to worship the one true God. I hope that rights to worship, congregate, speak, evangelize, and to live would still today be defended, to the death if necessary, in Canada.

This past weekend I visited the field of crosses in Calgary. To stand among the crosses is an odd thing. At one time you experience both pride and sorrow. We viewed memorials of soldiers as young as 17. I can't imagine losing a loved one that young, in battle. But I can remember, because that is what we do on Remembrance Day.

~ Robert Duiker ~



School Council/Board Highlights

- Greetings from the RCS Society Board. We met on November 2nd for our Fall General Meeting. The discussion focused on the proposed addition! We are thankful to be in a position where this is a possibility, God is good. We are excited to move forward to work with Eagle Builders on architectural drawings and looking into permits. Please see the attached [meeting minutes](#). The drawings for the addition are included at the end of the minutes. If you would like a paper copy of the minutes and drawing, please stop by the school office.
- Please join us for our next **School Council** meeting on Monday, **November 20** at 7:00 PM.



NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

If you have not yet gotten around to completing your online Re-Enrolment Registration Form and Local Field Trip Permission Form in SchoolEngage, please do so as soon as possible. If you are having difficulty logging in, please give me a call and I will happily walk through it with you.

This form is essentially your student's registration form and "blanket" Local Field Trip Permission form for this school year. If you could complete it as soon as possible, that would be greatly appreciated.

Volunteer Requirements

Just a quick recap of what is required to volunteer in our school:

- **Criminal Record Check**
 - please note that a criminal record does not automatically disqualify someone from volunteering at the school. In the case of a volunteer showing a criminal record, in consultation with senior leadership and based on the individual case, permission may be granted to allow volunteerism, with specific duties. eg: a drunk driving conviction would not disqualify someone from volunteering as a chaperone on a field trip but would not be appropriate as a volunteer driver.

The following is required to be a volunteer **driver** for any situation where parents might be driving students other than their own children. This is primarily for extra-curricular activities:

- A current (within 12 months) Driver's abstract must be on file at the school
 - Please contact the school office for the form to apply for this
- drivers with more than 6 demerits are not permitted to drive on school sponsored activities
- Drivers with a GDL license are not permitted to drive students
- Proof of a minimum of \$1,000,000 liability insurance coverage on file at the school

Book Character Dress Up Day



Curious George and the Man with the Yellow Hat among other favourite book characters made an appearance at our Book Character Dress Up Day.



JERSEY DAY

Jersey Day

Show support for your favourite team, and wear their jersey on Tuesday, November 28.



Thank you to everyone who sent in food items for our Food Bank collection. We had quite a nice collection and the Food Bank was very appreciative of our thoughtfulness.

Operation Christmas Child



We will be participating in this wonderful opportunity again this year. Shoeboxes are available at the office. We will be collecting the boxes until November 16 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. Visser - helena.murphy@wrsd.ca.

Terry Fox Run

October 2, 2023

Students and staff spent the lovely afternoon of October 2, 2023 running/walking in our Terry Fox run in memory of special people in their lives who had/have cancer. Thanks to our many wonderful donors, we were able to raise over \$5000.00 for cancer research!!



Apple Pie Baking

Our Pre-Kindergarten students got to experience fall harvest season by baking fresh apple pies!

Our Super Two's won a pizza party at the Talent Show. They performed a rousing rendition of *Jesus Loves Me* winning them the delicious prize.

RCS SPORTS SHORTS



Our volleyball season has wrapped up for the most part. All of our teams were involved in tournaments the first week of November and did very well! Our A Girls team will be competing in the CWAJHAA volleyball tournament very soon! Congratulations to all of our teams on a well played season!

GO ROYALS!!

SKATING FUN



PHYS ED FUN

Our Grade 3 class got to have some fun with an obstacle course during one of Mr. Soodsma's supervised phys ed classes. Looks like lots of fun!





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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Pre-Kindergarten Day	4
5	6	7	8	9 No School for Staff or Students	10 Holiday No School for Staff or Students	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 Kindergarten Day	18
19	20 School Council Meeting @ 7:00pm	21	22	23	24 PD Day No School for Students	25
26	27	28 Jersey Day	29	30		