

LIFELINE

Learning, Loving, Living for our Lord

ROCKY CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL

March 2024



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 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. You can also report on School Messenger or through your PowerSchool Parent Portal.

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.



School Council/Board Highlights

- We would like to recognize the generosity of Cornelis Van Waas and Jo Op den Dries. They were longtime supporters of the school and held Christian education in high regard. We are very appreciative of their donations.
- The **RCS Society AGM** is scheduled for **June 6th** 2024.
- The **fundraising committee** is looking for some new members. If this is a committee that you would like to serve on please contact the office.
- A **Christian High School?** Some questions were raised during the fall Society meeting about a Christian high school. Has the RCS Board considered it? Is there a need? The RCS Board has been exploring some options on how this could be made into a reality. However we need to gauge how much support within our school community there is for a Christian high school program. We'll be sending some more information and a survey next month.
- Please click the link for the [School Council meeting minutes](#) or you can request a paper copy from the office. We had a discussion on Christian high school programs and mission trips. Our **next School Council** meeting on **April 15th** will focus on what mission trips our community supports. If you have any questions it would be helpful if they were sent to the thercssociety@gmail.com ahead of time so we can have information prepared.

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OPEN HOUSE

ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

**WEDNESDAY-APRIL 17
FROM 4:30-6:30**

Join us for a fun evening of meeting the teachers, support staff, new friends and exploring the classroom. Our open house can also help you get excited for the new school year to begin. Here at RCS we want to provide an enriched environment where kids can grow and learn about God.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION
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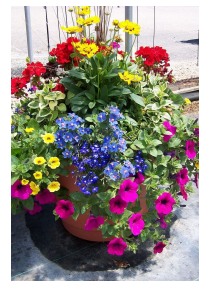
Dig those socks that don't have a mate out of your drawer - it's mismatched socks day on April 23!



Thank You to everyone who collected orders for our flower fundraiser!

Orders will be available for pickup on May 24.

More information will follow closer to that date.



Crazy Hair Day



...and maybe a few funny faces to go with the crazy hair...



Grade 3s enjoyed the challenge of building simple machines from recycled materials.



The winners of the Go-Kart Races were:
1. Autumn & Wyatt, 2. Jason & Raph, 3. Miles & Danny

RCS Grade 7-9 Band

On February 28, the 31 students in the Grade 7-9 Band had the honour of travelling to Lacombe to perform a "mini-concert" for all of the students in Kindergarten to Grade 9 at Lacombe Christian School. We were invited as a part of their "Artist in Residence" month. Lacombe Christian School currently does not have a band program and we were able to showcase seven different songs for them. This was the largest audience the Band has played for. The gym was packed!! Just when we thought the gym was full, more students kept walking in. We were a bit nervous, but overall, the concert was a success. One of the comments I received from one of our own RCS students was "Thanks, Mrs. Magnus! That was so much fun!!" Having the opportunity to share our God-given gifts with other students in a Christian school setting was truly a blessing. We are now learning our music for our upcoming Christian School Musicales Band Camp that is held at Prairie College in Three Hills on the first Thursday and Friday of May. We are very fortunate to have a Band Program here at RCS.



This photo is only of the K-4 side of the gym. The other side was just as full, if not more!



RCS SPORTS SHORTS



HOOP NEWS - Basketball Wrap Up

It has been another exciting season of play for our ROYALS. High finishes in some tournaments and very close, intense games gave fans much to cheer (and sometimes commiserate) about as our athletes pushed themselves to higher levels as the season progressed.

Once again, I want to THANK the coaches, staff, parents, referees, janitorial staff, and fans who allowed this BB season to be successful. It takes a lot of hard work and time for all involved.

I was impressed with the quality of play that our student-athletes had on tournament days when they were pushed physically, mentally, and emotionally due to the schedules of some teams.

Our coaches and assistant coaches made practices meaningful and intense enough to simulate game situations whenever possible. Clinics were even offered earlier in the season and now as the school BB season ends, it is time for club BB and/or hopefully summer BB camps, for some, who want to make significant improvements in their game before next fall.

A highlight of this season was to host the Girls C divisional tournament, complete with some Moms running an excellent concession.

In the end, our group of Grade 5-7 girls placed 2nd in the C division against a Charlotte Small School team which beat them by a greater margin earlier.

Our boys had an exciting season playing some strong competition in a good-sized league. Their coaches worked hard too, even at recess, to prep them for the league finals.

The A girls (grade 8/9) team was also a highlight as they were in a small league and dominated their opponents. To give them more opportunity to grow as a team, they attended an invitational tournament and played against their "older sisters" in scrimmages. The team gelled well under the leadership of our coaches and this was evident at the tournament, held at St. Matt's School where the team won divisionals and one week later, lost by only 3 points to the eventual CWAJHAA winner (Brownfield School) in some wonderfully played games. The character of these young ladies was evidenced by their pre-game team prayer which included their final opponent, Destiny Christian (Red Deer), and the singing of "Jesus Loves Me". Not something you see everyday at a basketball tournament, but what a wonderful expression of joy shown by these players. I am amazed.

SO as another year of BB wraps up, we can be so hopeful about the future of this great sport at our little school. Keep attending games whenever possible. Play outside with your kids on the court. Hang up a rim to shoot at, even on the side of a tree, so your son/daughter has a goal.

We all need goals! I have enjoyed this winter season of play and the officiating of games with my partner, Mr. Soodsma. We have had tremendous support and encouragement and we hope to see our BB program continue to grow and succeed. It is especially gratifying to me to have our former players (Alayna and Esther) come back and coach up our athletes. Please consider BB camps for your children (of various ages) as they will be made available again before next fall. See you next year on the court! Parents, keep practicing so you can keep up with your child in the final game of the season. We had some interesting situations this time around with the "30-somethings" playing our ROYALS. ~ Mr. V

SPORTS SHOTS



A Girls



C Girls



B Boys



Grade 6/7 Outside Activity





Inspiration. That's what JR LaRose is to many. On March 21 our grade 8-9 class went to a youth empowerment conference presented by Albertan Aboriginals. One that touched all of our hearts was JR LaRose's testimony. A football player; a father; a friend. Growing up with a tough childhood, he was told by the ones he loved and the ones he let his guard down to that he would never make it. But did that really stop him? Absolutely NOT! Even through all that: two broken legs, a broken forearm and the role models he grew up with tearing him down, he never stopped, he kept on persevering. While he was in his career he lost his mom, his sister, and a fan that he was close with. After he was done speaking, we (Hayden Askes, Teslynn Aasman, and Victoria Irodenko) went up to him to ask some questions. We asked if he was religious, and if he believed in miracles. To our astonishment he believed in God and miracles but he didn't have a religion he was tied to. To our delight he told us he grew up in a Christian School and a Christian household. We told him we are from Rocky Christian School. He was so kind and happily answered our questions. We were very grateful for the opportunity to be able to talk to him. He has proven that God's second chances never end.

~By Hayden Askes, Teslynn Aasman, and Victoria Irodenko~

Fun in Kindergarten



Grade 4/5 Science Projects





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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 Easter Monday No School	2 Hot Lunch	3	14	5 Pre-Kindergarten Day	6
7	8	9	10 Pastor's Day	11	12 Kindergarten Day	13
14	15	16	17 Pre-K Open House 4:30 - 6:30	18	19 Pre-Kindergarten Day	20
21	22	23 Mismatched Socks Day	24	25	26 No School for Students PD Day	27
28	29	30				