

June 17th, 2019



École Rocky Elementary NEWS

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BOUQUETS

Thank you to everyone who...

- ☐ *participated in the School Council this year. Your support and encouragement is very much appreciated by our school staff and students*
- ☐ *has volunteered in our classrooms*
- ☐ *has volunteered on field trips*
- ☐ *has volunteered in our office*
- ☐ *has volunteered with the Club Moo Milk Program.*
- ☐ *volunteered in the library*
- ☐ *participated in fund raising projects throughout the year*
- ☐ *has volunteered with the book fairs we had this year*
- ☐ *came to read to students this school year*
- ☐ *has volunteered to help our Breakfast Program be such a success*
- ☐ *have made donations towards various programs throughout the school*



Thank you to...

- ☐ *Misty Jacowishen for coordinating the Club Moo Program*
- ☐ *Kiza Trentham for her hard work in implementing the Wednesday Lunch Program and Mini Hockey Rink*
- ☐ *Alberta Milk for the Club Moo Program*
- ☐ *staff from The Mountaineer for covering our school events in the newspaper*
- ☐ *those that assisted with photo days—Krissy DeWindt & Jamie Hart*
- ☐ *Sr. Margie for volunteering weekly to teach our Peace Education Program*
- ☐ *all those who helped with our Peace Garden*
- ☐ *Next to New for their donation towards keeping the cost down for museum school*
- ☐ *Mrs. Kwantes & Madam Melanchuk for providing pizza and hot dog lunches throughout the year! Also to the parents and students who assisted with the lunches*
- ☐ *all parents and guardians for their support throughout the year*
- ☐ *Mrs. Allen for coordinating the Breakfast Club*

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!
Your generosity makes our school a great place to learn and grow!



DATES TO REMEMBER

June 19	Grilled Cheese Sandwich Lunch (for those students who have ordered)
June 21	Aboriginal Day (at the Christian Centre)
June 22	Pizza Lunch (for those students who have ordered).
June 24	Assembly 11:55 a.m. Gym
June 25	Peace Day (starts at 9:00 a.m. & ÉRE's Got Talent (1:00-2:30 p.m.))
June 26	Chicken Finger Lunch (for those students who have ordered)
June 26	Grade 5 Farewell Breakfast
June 26	Awards Assembly 11:15 a.m.
June 26	Last Day of School for Students

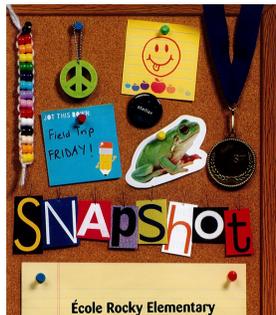
Parents/Guardians are asked to come and pick up their child's belongings, reports cards, medication, etc. the last day of school.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR 2019/2020!

August 26
August 28
August 30
September 3

School reopens (8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.).
School will be closed for the day.
Open House 1:00—3:00 p.m.
First Day of School 8:45 a.m.



2018/2019 YEAR BOOKS

Thank you to those who have already ordered the 2018/2019 Lifetouch year books. Order forms have been sent home. You may order online ybpay.lifetouch.ca. You may also order through the school (cash or cheque made payable to ÉRE). Please have orders in by Friday, June 21, 2019 (on-line or to school). **Year Books will be delivered in September.**

ÉRE OPEN HOUSE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

First day of school is Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019 8:35 a.m.

There will be an **Open House, Friday, August 30th from 1:00—3:00 p.m.** at which time you will be able to find out which class your child will be in and come and meet their teachers. Class lists will not be finalized until this day. Parents will be able to pick up school supplies that were purchased from Custom School Supplies that day, or will be able to drop off school supplies purchased throughout the summer. We encourage parents and students to come to this Open House.

Open House



SCHOOL FEES—URGENT

Year end is fast approaching...just a reminder that fees such as swimming, fieldtrips, agendas are now well overdue. Invoices will be going home shortly for outstanding fees, etc. You are welcome to call the school if you are not sure if you have paid or not. Your immediate cooperation in clearing up any outstanding fees by June 26, 2019 is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

**The office will be open for your convenience June 27th, and
July 2, 4, 5 and 8 to come and pay fees 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(July 3rd please call ahead to set up a time to come in 403 845 3541).**



MESSAGE FROM THE LEARNING COMMONS

It's hard to believe another school year is coming to an end. The last day for students to sign out books is June 13. All books are due back to the Library by June 20. Please return or pay for any lost books by then.

Don't forget that grade 3, 4 & 5 students have access to the Alberta Online Reference Center, **OverDrive/Sora** over the summer. There are a lot of good books to keep their reading levels up for fall. Please come and see me if you need help getting on to **OverDrive/Sora**.

OverDrive

Download: Sora by Overdrive APP from web store.

Password: anything 8 digits

Email- your school email (abc4506@edu.wrsd.ca)

(School email = first initial of first, middle & last name. Last 4 digits of Alberta Ed #)

Password school password

Add library: Canada>Alberta>Wild Rose School Division

Library card # = AB Ed # (on your report card)

I would like to say a big **Thank You** to the volunteers who have come in to help in the Learning Commons and during Book Fairs this year. Without you we wouldn't have the great Learning Commons that we do.

I hope you all have a great summer vacation!

Happy Reading!

Mrs. Allen,

Learning Commons Facilitator



BREAKFAST CLUB OF CANADA

Eating a balanced breakfast every morning is one of the simplest things we can do to ensure our bodies and brains are receiving vital nutrients. Our first meal is responsible for fueling our body after a night of fasting, which is why breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Whether it's for children to concentrate at school or adults at work, breakfast is essential for all of us; at Breakfast Club of Canada we like to say that Breakfast is the first bite to success! Our school served over 6,894 breakfast & lunches from September 2017 until the end of May 2018!

We would like to say thank you to all of our sponsors as well as volunteers for your dedication. We will be looking for sponsors and volunteers for next year. If you would like to help out please contact me. Thank you to Breakfast Club of Canada for their support throughout the year! You can also visit Breakfast Club of Canada at: <http://www.breakfastclubcanada.org/>

Have a great summer!

Lori Allen



END OF YEAR REQUESTS-IMPORTANT

Parents/Guardians are asked to come and pick up their child's belongings, reports cards, medication, etc. the last day of school.

If you are unable to do so, the office will be open June 27th, July 2, 4 & 5 (9:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m.) for your convenience (July 3rd please call ahead to get access into the school (403) 845-3541). If the door is locked there is a door bell on the right hand side of the building near the front entrance doors to gain entrance to the school or you may call ahead of time to make arrangements for pick up.

Your assistance in helping clear off the front counter in the office is greatly appreciated!

IMPORTANT—Lost & Found items will be put on display down the hallway ramps the last week of school. Please take a moment to check out these items. After June 26th they will be taken to Next to New. There are also many items that have been found (i.e. keys, glasses, toys, hair pieces, jewelry, watches, etc.) that are kept in the office. Please come and check out these items



Volunteers are needed for Peace Day June 25th.
If you are able to help out please contact
the school at 403-845-3541.



2019/2020

Become part of what happens at your child's school! Take an active role in decisions that affect your child's education environment! There is not a huge commitment of time required. If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact the office at (403) 845-3541 and leave your name and phone number or come to our first meeting in September—watch for more details.

School Council Meetings for 2019/2020 are held usually once a month - approximately 1 hour. We have the following positions open:

- ◆ Chair
- ◆ Vice Chair
- ◆ Secretary

Also, we have positions for the Fundraising Committee open:

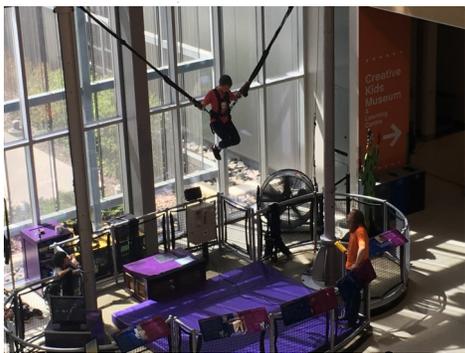
- ◆ Chair
- ◆ Treasurer

We are also looking for a Hot Lunch Coordinator and hot lunch volunteers for next year. If this is something that is of interest to you and possibly a group of friends, please contact the school!



CALGARY FIELDTRIP—GRADE FIVE

Our grade 5 students went on their Calgary field trip on May 23rd and 24th. The trip provided our students, who live in a small rural community, with an excellent educational experience as well as an unforgettable learning opportunity that we could never duplicate in a classroom. The children visited the Telus Spark, Heritage Park, and participated in the sleepover program at the Calgary Zoo. The staff, parents, and students of École Rocky Elementary truly appreciate the participation in the fundraising that made this event possible. Also, thank you to the parents who raised money by organizing a bottle drive.



ÉRE PEACE GARDEN

A huge thank you to West Country Greenhouse for generously donating bedding plants for ÉRE's peace garden. Thank you to Mr. Snyder for taking on a huge job. He brought his rototiller and worked up the garden beds and helped students plant. Thank you to Grade 4 students for planting the garden. Thank you to Mrs. Lougheed for getting donations to our garden fence. Thank you to Willow Hauber and all the volunteers who helped with the garden fence and pergola. We look forward to seeing how plants grow and develop in our garden. If you would like to donate towards our Peace Garden please go to Wild Rose School Division website and find Ecole Rocky Elementary School. You can designate your donation. Thank you so much!



IMPORTANT

**If coming to the school to take a child home early,
you must stop at the office to sign the child out.
Please do not take them off the playground without
signing them out first.**

ROOTS OF EMPATHY

Submitted by Mrs. Allen

Roots of Empathy has wrapped up this year. I would like to say a big thank you to our Babies and Mom's. Britteny & Sayler and Amanda & Luke. We really enjoyed learning from you.

Our Roots of Empathy is looking for families with babies that will be between 2-4 months of age at the end of September to participate in our Roots of Empathy Program. Roots of Empathy is an evidence-based classroom program that has shown significant effect in reducing levels of aggression among school children while raising social/emotional competence and increasing empathy. If you would like to learn more about the program you can come and talk to Mrs. Allen or go to www.rootsofempathy.org.



Roots of Empathy
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Fast. Safe. Convenient.

Welcome to *School Cash Online*

School Cash Online is an online parent portal that offers a safe, fast and convenient way to pay for school activity fees. The portal is customized to meet your school's needs and allows you as a parent, to add your students, make payments, check current balance/account history, print or view receipts, and receive notifications about upcoming events.

Why Use School Cash Online?

With School Cash Online, you can pay all your student's school fees with the click of a button. Wherever. Whenever. Trips to the school to drop-off cash or sending your student with money will be a thing of the past. School Cash Online also enables you to keep track of your student's school items and activities.

Purchase these items and more online.



Credit Card

Pay with Visa or MasterCard on School Cash Online by entering your credit card number, CVV number (the three digits on the back of your card), card expiry date, and billing information.

eCheck

An electronic version of a paper check used to make payments online. Anyone with a checking or savings account can pay by eCheck through School Cash Online.

myWallet

An online wallet that can be loaded to hold funds and pay for your child's fees on School Cash Online. myWallet also allows you to allocate funds to pay for school fees at a later date, as you would with a gift card.

How to Register

Follow these instructions to create your School Cash Online account today.

- 1 **Create Your Profile:**
Go to <https://wildrose.schoolcashonline.com> and click on "Get Started Today".
- 2 **Confirm Your Email:**
Check your inbox for the email confirmation and click on the link inside. Sign in with your new login details.
- 3 **Add a Student**
Click "Add Student" and fill in the required fields with your child's details.



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Stay connected by selecting "Yes" to email notifications about upcoming fees.

- I want to receive email notifications for new fees assigned to my student and updates on school-related activities.

For more information contact Parent Helpdesk at
parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com or 1.866.961.1803

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Positive Relationships

Resiliency is a child's ability to bounce back from difficult circumstances. Relationships matter. The people we grow up with, the people we admire and the people we let into our lives all have a powerful influence in shaping who we are.

When you help your child to develop confidence and security, they will be better equipped to deal with the pressures that can come from belonging to a group of peers. They'll have the strength to support positive friendships, and to say no to things that make them uncomfortable or that they believe are not right. Here are a few ways you can teach your child to develop and participate in positive relationships with others.

Be a positive role model.

Role modeling is a part of every parent's and caregiver's role. It's not always easy being a role model, but it's important to keep in mind that what you say and do is one of the biggest influences on your child. Somebody's watching you!

Think about how your behavior affects your child. You can't always be calm and cheerful— nobody is. Besides, your child needs to see that you can express real feelings in a healthy way. As they grow up, they'll learn by your example. And they will have your example to follow in years to come, when they are coping with the challenges of adulthood.

Talk about feelings.

When we don't talk about feelings like loneliness or anger, these feelings hang around. They can get bottled up until eventually they spill over in some other way. Simply listening to your child can be a big help. It tells them that their feelings are important, and that you're willing to share those troubles. When you encourage your child to recognize feelings and talk about them, they will gain a better understanding of their problems. It also helps them to think about other people's feelings and problems.

All feelings are valid. When you take time to listen and encourage your child to express their feelings, you're building a trusting relationship that will help your child to know they can count on you for support.

Build your child's self-confidence.

Children who can face the world with confidence will be more likely to make healthy choices, and less likely to turn to alcohol, other drugs or gambling to ease the way in social situations. It is never too soon (or too late) to talk to your child about getting along with others, respecting other people's feelings, appreciating the value of real friends, and understanding their own worth as a unique person. Resiliency comes from being connected to people, finding common interests and participating in a community. That's why developing healthy relationship skills is so important to becoming resilient! A child with strong family support and well-developed social skills and abilities, such as decision-making skills and self-confidence, becomes a teen who is more likely to avoid ever having problems with alcohol, tobacco, other drugs or gambling.

Rania Page, School Based Prevention

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*Thank you to those who donated to the school
this year.....*

*Cenovus Energy Inc.—ÉRE Literacy & Peace Garden
Donna Stewart—School Enhancement
Don Shaw Financial Services Ltd.—Mini Stick Rinks
Eldorado Pressure Services Ltd.—Mini Stick Rinks
Tervita Corporation—Mini Stick Rinks
ML Electric Inc.—Mini Stick Rinks
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Rocky Credit Union—Mini Stick Rinks
Tidewater Midstream & Infrastructure Ltd.—Mini Stick Rinks
Evergreen Co-Op—Mini Stick Rinks
Alexis & Larry Holstead—Mini Stick Rinks
Mark & Vanessa Lobley - Mini Stick Rinks
École Rocky Elementary Fundraising Society—Fieldtrips,
Water Bottle Filling Station, Mini Stick Rinks, Etc.
Next To New—Musical Instruments
West Country Greenhouse for supplies for the Peace Garden and
donation of flowers for Kindergarten Mother's Day projects.*

Thank You!



