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+3	14 <mark>Happy Valentines Day!</mark> Valentines Dress Up Day!	15	16 Subway Day SUBUAY Gr 9 field trip to Telus Spark Coco Brooks fundraiser begins!	17	18 Pink Shirt Day supporting Anti-Bullying Awareness	19
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From the Principal's Desk

Wow! It is hard to believe that the school year is half over and a new semester is beginning. Our high school students and teachers are eager for new courses and renewed energy in their studies. Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day and Family Day are all special days in our February school calendar. Family Day will be the start of the Winter Break and Teachers' Convention. We hope that you all stay safe and warm over the Winter Break.

February is a month of kindness and we encourage all of our students and staff to engage in **RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS**; be it to a peer, a family member, a neighbour or friend. Challenge siblings and friends to engage in random acts of kindness! Do something together to enjoy Family Day. It is amazing how even the smallest of gestures can brighten someone's day.

SCIENCE FAIR is coming up fast. There are information booklets and sign up forms in the office. The deadline for signing up is February 10th. Once again, Science Fair presentations will be recorded one at a time the first week of March and shown to the judges. The presentations will then be set up in the library for all to have a look at. If your child would like to put in a Science Fair project, please have them get a Science Fair package from the office or from our school webpage and send in the sign-up sheet.

We are fortunate to have amazing people, facilities and opportunities in and around our school and community. School is a highly academic institution, but as the years go on, we as educators are tasked with providing more than just academics for our students. We are tasked with providing our students with a well rounded and

diversified education. We are tasked with providing our students opportunities to try new things and expand their knowledge base in a variety of subjects. Some of the opportunities we are able to provide our students come from outside our school walls. We have the use of great facilities and support from within our village and surrounding community. We have wonderful opportunities for our highschool students to complete some dual credit courses through Olds College and other Alberta community colleges. We have students who are working in and around the community as part of the Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP) and Work Experience. We have many of our farming, ranching and acreage people who are assisting some of our students in completing their Green Certificate. Through these unique opportunities, our students receive high school credits, and for some, college credits as well, that go towards their high school diploma. We are thrilled that we are able to offer these, and many more, learning opportunities for our students. We continue to endeavour to enhance every student's education and provide each student with a well rounded background which can often open some doors to new ideas for futures outside our school walls.

We are once again looking forward to a new semester with new learning opportunities. We thank everyone for their continued support of our students and staff safety and well being. We continue to work on keeping school as normal as we can.

Spring is just around the corner. Have a great heart month.

Sharing our values each day A Message from the Superintendent

In Chinook's Edge we are proud of our mission and vision statements, which continue to guide our every effort. This year more than ever, teachers and school staff have relied upon these words that guide our relationships, inform our work together, and impact the potential of each student. We all place a high value on relationships in Chinook's Edge and, although we have been challenged to maintain our usual high level of connectedness, we see many examples of our strength as a connected team of staff, students and families.

With respect to parents, we are proud of a number of ways we are connecting in a meaningful way:

- Despite restrictions in our buildings, many of our schools are seeing strong participation in virtual School Council meetings.
- Schools are also reporting a positive response to the new Parent Teacher Interview module provided through our new websites.
- Grade 5-12 students and parents are accessing PowerSchool to see continual updates of student progress.
- Our bus families are using a new app that allows our Transportation Team to communicate in real time each day – which is particularly vital during a cold season where every minute counts if you are waiting outside on a rural road.
- Collaborating with our Parents Matter Committee continues to provide a meaningful exchange of ideas.



Being connected to our parents and to one another is key to our success in many ways. It has never been more important for us to remain understanding of each other, as we continue reaching towards the aspirations contained within our mission and vision statements so that all students can achieve success.

We would love to hear your thoughts through this month's <u>parent survey</u> – what word or phrase describes what you value most about your child's school?

Kurt Sacher Superintendent of Schools

For Trustee updates and to read the latest Board eNews, please <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Mission:

Chinook's Edge School Division will engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them.

Vision:

Chinook's Edge School Division will be universally recognized as a collaborative learning community where learning is personalized for all students to achieve success as compassionate and innovative global citizens.



The YES Press

What's New!

PUPPY THERAPY! With finals approaching for high school students, some serious puppy cuddles were in order.

JUST CRAFTIN' AROUND! The grade 4 girls are in the midst of creating some painting masterpieces.Stay tuned for the finished products!

Whether it's an UNO workout or a team building LEGO competition, these guys are always up for the challenge.

THE EXERCISE GUYS!

EATS & TREATS! Another round of Eats & Treats has begun! This week's recipe was Banana Chocolate Chip Muffins.

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GRADE 12 STUDENTS AND PARENTS: Many of the students have applied to Post-Secondary at this point however university deadlines CAN be as late as MARCH 1st depending on the school. If your teenager is still undecided, it's worth the \$100 to apply. That way they will still have that option after the deadline. If they apply too late they will have to wait until the following year. There are also residence deadlines so watch the dates carefully! **If you have been "accepted " at a college or university keep verifying that you have sent in all required documents and money**. Please come and see me if you have questions. The students will receive the Rutherford scholarship money if 5 of their subjects average 75% and they are attending post-secondary. I have a new scholarship book, come and see me if you didn't receive it! There are lots available this semester.

GRADE 9 PARENTS AND STUDENTS: Remember grade 9s, your averages in your classes will determine your placement in High School! Keep those grades high and you will have many more Post-Secondary and career choices available to you! Our Career Class finished in January, thanks again to all of our guest speakers!

GRADE 11 STUDENTS AND PARENTS: I will begin with the Grade 11 interviews in February and I really encourage them to keep the marks up, especially those who are planning to attend university next year. They are now accepting students based on the grade 11 results.



January/February

In January, Leadership organized a "Cozy Dress Up Day" on January 24th to kick off the high school exam week! We wanted high school students to be extra comfortable writing their exams, and we thought it would be nice to have the whole school participate with us!

Upcoming Events

On Monday, February 14th we are encouraging all staff and students to wear their best "Valentines Day Outfit" to school! Canada's Anti-Bullying Day is on Wednesday, February 23rd this year, and because we will not be at school that week, we are asking staff and students to wear a pink shirt in support of anti-bullying on Friday, February 18th.

Our Leadership class is also working hard to ensure our school sign is updated at the road, and that our birthday board is updated! Check out the upcoming events and important dates as you drive by our school, and keep an eye out for upcoming birthdays on the wall!

Band Society Update

The popular Coco Brooks Fundraiser will start February 16th and run through to March 2nd. Information on this will be distributed early February to all band students in Grades 5-12. Profits made from student sales will be tracked individually and will go toward future band camp & trip fees.

-Elementary Music - these students have begun learning how to read music on a staff using the boomwhackers (see below for what they look like)!

-**Grade 5 & 6 Band** - these 2 groups will be performing together during the ABA festival in Red Deer. They are learning Six Note Symphony, Be Still My Soul & Dragon Bridge.

-**Grade 7-12 Band** - these 2 groups will also perform as one large group for the ABA festival in Red Deer and possibly Olds Kiwanis Festival. They are learning Pueblo, Mozart's Symphony no. 15 Finale and At Twilight. The 9-12 group are also working on more challenging Pop pieces including: Smoke on the Water, Moana, The Greatest Showman and The Lion King.

Please join us at our next meeting on **Wednesday, Feb 2nd, 2022** at 6pm via google meet. If you would like the meeting code, please email <u>ahutcheon@cesd73.ca</u>

We look forward to seeing you there!

Message from School Council

Get Involved

The role of School Council is to inform parents, school staff, students and community members so we can work together to enhance the student experience. School Council offers advisory input to school administration.

Welcome and congratulations to our new School Council board members! Thank-you for wanting to take an active involvement in your child's education!

- Chair Sally Livermore
- Vice Chair Janice Howells
- Secretary Randa Edmond
- Fundraising Coordinator Coreen Lema
- Elementary Directors Rebecca Quigley, Stacey Hill
- Middle School Director Suzanne Kempster
- High School Director Chelsey Reid
- Teacher Rep- Rob Scott

We covered reports from: Leadership, Trustee, Financial, Admin, CSES and our Band Society. Items for next meeting include: Discovery Night, follow up on COVID rules and government regulations, as well as classroom discussions around student living situations and upcoming holidays and events.

The next School Council meeting is on February 8th at 7pm via Google Meet. We hope to see you there!

SR GIRLS 1A BASKETBALL PROVINCIALS

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

FUNDRAISING!

Mom's Pantry, bottle drive, online auction in conjunction with CSES

VOLUNTEERING!

We require many volunteers! Free volunteer shirt!

SPONSORSHIP! See the sponsorship info included in this newsletter

For more info contact Loree Sheehan lsheehan@cesd73.ca



Cremona School March 17 - 19, 2022





Cremona Cougars

On behalf of the Cremona Senior Girls Basketball Team:

We are excited to announce that the **1A Senior Girls Provincials** that were originally scheduled for March 2021 but then canceled due to Covid will be held here at the Cremona School from **March 17-19, 2022.** This is a fantastic opportunity for our athletes as well as an excellent opportunity to showcase our school, our community and the businesses that service our community. This spotlight on our community at the provincial level benefits all of us who live and work here.

The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request financial support from our local business community, organizations and others who may have a connection to our school community. There are a number of costs involved in hosting a Provincial competition that our School's Physical Education budget will not be able to accommodate and so, along with participating in a number of fundraisers, we are reaching out for financial support. We want this to be mutually beneficial to those who become financially involved so we will be offering branding opportunities on warm-up gear as well as a tax receipt for any donation

\$25 or more. Branding options are as follows: A \$230 contribution would include your company's name embroidered on the sleeve of a player's jacket as well as their hoodie or bag (sponsor's choice) and \$100 gets your company's name and logo (1 colour only) on 10 volunteer t-shirts. We will also have a page in the program that highlights names of our local sponsors.

Thank-you for considering our request. If you have questions about how you can get involved in donating please contact Loree Sheehan at 403-637-3856 or lsheehan@cesd73.ca.

Cremona Senior Girls Basketball Team

Bouquets & Celebrations

- Thank you to all our volunteer basketball coaches, timekeepers & scorekeepers! It is great to see the kids using their skills out there on the courts!
- Thanks so much to Meaghan Bellamy, Bryce Quigley, and Steve Roy who volunteered to speak with the Grade 9 Career Class. Steve and Bryce explained the Trades and having your own business and Meaghan spoke about being an Animal Health Technologist.
- Congratulations to Mr Hutcheon & his wife Carlee on the birth of their beautiful baby girl, Miller!
- Many thanks to Mr Lerbekmo for fixing our student lounge pool cue!
- Thank you to our Grade 5 students for collecting our recycling each week!
- Thanks to Mrs Harvey for coordinating the swimming lessons for our Kinder Gr 5 students!
- Many thanks go to our parents for their patience and flexibility during the delayed start in January.
- Congrats to all our hard working high school students for getting through their exams and completing
 Term 1!







FEBRUARY 11th, 2022 at the Cremona FCSS Open for those between the ages of 9 to 17 To register please call MVFRN @ (403)559-7894 Drinks, Snacks, Popcorn and PIZZA provided Doors open 6:15 pm, Movie begins at 6:30 Movie to be announced in the future

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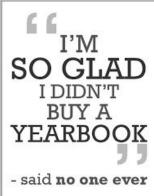




We have a limited number yearbooks available for purchase. They are available at the office and are \$35.00!

BUY SYOUR

2021/2022 yearbooks are available for pre-order via your students' online account! This helps us to order the correct number if we know ahead of time!



ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINNING IN FEB!

CREMONA MINOR

BASEBALL

ALL WELCOME

T-BALL | U9 | U11 | U13 | U15 | U18 SEASON RUNS MAY - JUNE

CREMONA & WATER VALLEY DIAMONDS

CREMONA SCHOOL BAND

COCO BROOKS ONLINE FUNDRAISER FEB 16 - MAR 2

CREMONA SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS WILL BE Selling Coco brooks products to help Raise funds for band trips and camps.

MORE DETAILS WILL BE SENT HOME WITH Band students soon!





CREMONA & DISTRICT SANTA'S ANONYMOUS C/O Box 68 Cremona, Alberta TOM 0R0

January 24, 2022

Cremona School Students!

Thank You! This letter is written in appreciation and acknowledgement for the support provided to our annual Santa's Anonymous program. As we continue through Covid19 issues, we are aware of volunteer/fundraising disruptions. You were still able to volunteer and raise a substantial amount of money for our program.

Our rural communities continue to be affected and suffer at this time and we were able to assist many families.

We have placed a half-page ad in our local Family & Community Support Services January Newsletter as well as substantial thank in "The Albertan" (our Mountain View County Paper) January 25, 2022 recognizing your support.

Thank you again and we wish you well through the remainder of your school term. Cremona & District Santa's Anonymous



PUBLIC SKATING SCHEDULE

Feb 11, 21, 22, 23, 24 & 25 Public Skating 1:15 - 2:15 Sticks n Pucks 2:15 - 3:15



Sunday, Feb 6, 13, 20 & 27 Public Skating 11:15 - 12:15

*Helmets are mandatory

*Please remember to follow all COVID protocols *Children under 14yrs old must be accompanied by an adult

*Full arena schedule is available on the <u>Cremona Minor</u> <u>Hockey</u> website & ice rentals available by emailing <u>cremonaice@gmail.com</u> or by phone (403) 554-3170



Cremona Ag Society's 4th Annual Survivor 50/50 Cash Draw Hosted by: Terri Belcourt

How to Play:

- · Gather your friends, family or coworkers to form a 5-person team
- · Each team will pay \$200 to enter (\$40/ team member)
- Each player on a team receives 4 lives at the start of the game
- Players will be progressively eliminated from the game as they are voted off the island at
 Tribal Council
- The last remaining player is the 'Sole Survivor' and will win the GRAND PRIZE (1/2 of the total jackpot) to be shared equally with their teams.
- A player can be on more then 1 team
- EARLY BIRD DEADLINE: enter your team before February 10, 2022 for a chance to win back your team's \$200 entry fee back
- Teams must be entered by February 17,2022
- FINALE will take place on Saturday, March 19, 2022 at the Fundraiser Hockey Game
- · Completed forms and e-transfers can be sent to cremonasurvivor@gmail.com

