












May, 2025



27	28 	29	30 	1 WLD 1167	2 No School	3 Gr 11 Highway Clean-up!
4	5 Bus Driver Appreciation Day! 	6 Class Group Photo Day & Kindergrad Photo Day! 	7 Hats On for Mental Health!  Band Society mtg - 7pm Library	8 Pizza Day! 	9 Gr 6 Telus Spark f/trip! Kindergarten Orientation! 10am in the Library Tiny Tots gym time 3:30-4:30pm	10
11 MusicFest rehearsal 7-8pm	12 MusicFest rehearsal till 4:30pm	13 Band students depart! THE NATIONALS MUSICFEST CANADA FINALES NATIONALES	14	15	16 No School	17 MusicFest kids return!
18	19 Victoria Day No School 	20	21 WLD 1167	22 "Math - It's a Treat" Math Fair 4-6pm School Council AGM 7pm Library	23 Kinder f/trip to the Zoo!  WACKY HAIR DAY! 	24
25	26	27	28 GR 6 PAT - ELA part A Spring Band Concert - 7pm Gym	29 Subway Day!  	30 Kinder day CREMONA'S GOT TALENT!	31

From the Principal's Desk...

May is upon us with hopes that warmer spring weather will soon be here to stay. As we head into the final two months of the school year I wanted to take a moment to update you on some important happenings at Cremona School.

Math Fair - It's a Treat is returning again this year. The event will be held in our school on Thursday, May 22nd from 4-6pm. There will be lots of engaging activities for all ages, as well as a display of student learning. Food will be available for purchase that will serve as fundraisers for various school organizations. See you all there!

Cremona's Got Talent is returning again this year. Past student performances have been exceptional and the talent and courage shown by our students amazes me. One highlight of the show has been a special appearance by some of our wonderful staff. Thanks to everyone that helps make this event possible.

Our ***School Council AGM*** will be held on May 22nd at 7pm in the library. Stay tuned for the agenda and positions available. We are looking forward to continuing to work in partnership during the upcoming school year. As always, the minutes are posted on the Cremona School website.

There is a lot happening at our school in May: Badminton season is wrapping up. Thanks to all the athletes and coaches for a great season. Track and Field season is beginning. Please watch for more information on practices and meets this spring. Band has a busy spring schedule. The High School Band had a trip to Brandon and our 7-8 Band is off to Toronto for Nationals! Join us at 7pm on May 28th in the gym for the annual ***Spring Band Concert*** at 7pm where the band students have the opportunity to showcase all of their hard work!

A few reminders as we head in to May:

- Kindergarten orientation is on May 9 at 10 am starting in the library.
- Spring weather can be unpredictable (even in May)! Please plan ahead for possible changing conditions.
- Other dates to consider:
 - May 2 - Professional Learning day (no school for students)
 - May long weekend - Friday, May 16 - Monday, May 19 (no school)

Thank you all for your continued support of our school, staff and, most importantly, our students.

Darryl Korody
Principal

Counsellor's • CORNER •

May 2025

Scholarships - Thank you to the students who have applied for numerous local scholarships including the Mountain View County Citizenship Award. June 1st will be the application deadline for the Lion's Volunteerism Scholarship and Chamber of Commerce Scholarship. More information to come.

Dual Credit - Best of luck to Billy Van Maaron, Riley Kelly, and Kayly Watt who have completed their High School programming early and have started their post secondary journey. Billy and Riley are at RDP taking pre-employment millwright and Kayly is at Olds College taking heavy equipment technician.

Early congratulations to Cassidy Kelly and Coby Van Maaron who are only a few short weeks away from graduating from the Veterinary Technician Assistant program at Olds College. These diligent young ladies will have a college certificate 1 year before graduating High School. Great work Coby and Cassidy!!!

Work Experience - On April 28th all Grade 9 to 11 students received a presentation regarding Summer Work Experience. If a student is interested in signing up for Summer Work Experience they need to first join the Google Classroom (all paperwork and forms are on this platform). The access code to join is "fugyhrti."

Grade 9 Information Night - Tuesday, June 3rd at 7:00pm will be our annual Grade 9 parent and student meeting in the library. Teachers will explain their high school classes and will hand out the recommendations for high school levels of courses. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me!

Alex Hutcheon
Teacher/ Academic Advisor





CREMONA SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the Sr. Badminton team; Cremona sent 3 athletes on to the South Central Zone Championship April 16th in Olds. Good luck Grace Kempster and Bryn Ricci, our Junior high Badminton athletes who qualified to participate in the South Central Zone Championship, May 10. Thank you to coaches Mr. M. Moorhead and Mr. J. Templeton.

Track and Field Meets are quickly approaching, practices are underway, check announcements for more details, or talk to Mrs. A. Bellamy. For May, practices will run Mon - Thurs after school until 4:20pm. Please attend as many as you are able.

Junior High Track and Field Meets:

CESAA: Thursday May 22 at Sundre

South Central Zone Championships: Tuesday, May 27th @ Foothills Athletic Park (Calgary)

Senior High Track and Field Meets:

CESAA: Wednesday May 14th @ Sundre

South Central Zone Championships: Wednesday May 21 @ Foothills Athletic Park, Calgary

Provincials June 6 & 7 @ Foothills Athletic Park, Calgary

Attention all Athletes, Parents and Fans!!!!

*Cremona Cougar Athletic Awards
will be held in the Cremona School Gym
on Tuesday June 17th @ 7PM*

GO.....Cougars....GO!

Leadership news

Dress Up Days:

May 7th: Hats on for Mental Health

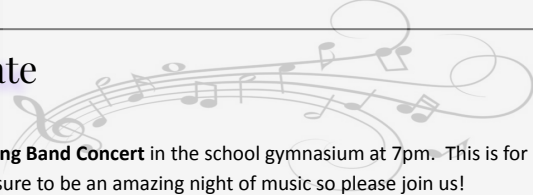
May 23rd: Wacky Hair Day

2025 April/May

Leadership had a great time seeing everyone in elementary and middle school search for their egg matches during our Easter Egg Matching Challenge! We also loved seeing everyone's great 80's costumes, and hope that elementary students had a wonderful time at the dance we held! We had a great time celebrating International Dance Day with you!

We are going to spend the month of May focusing on planning Cremona's Got Talent happening on May 30th - we have already seen so much talent during our auditions! We are also busy helping with Cremona's second Math Fair coming up on May 22nd! We encourage everyone to wear a hat to support mental health on Wednesday, May 7th. We also encourage everyone to dress up on May 23rd for our Wacky Hair Day! Remember that your participation will earn you House Colour Points for your team!

Band Society Update



On **May 28th** we are hosting the **Spring Band Concert** in the school gymnasium at 7pm. This is for all band students in Grades 5-12 and is sure to be an amazing night of music so please join us!

April was a busy month preparing for the [Experiences Canada](#) exchange trip. While in Manitoba, our high school students toured the Daly House Museum, Brandon University School of Music, the Royal Artillery Museum, Westman Reptile Gardens, the Museum of Man and Nature, the Planetarium and the Royal Canadian Mint. They also attended a few classes with their “twins” from Vincent Massey high school, a grade 9-12 school of approximately 1300 students! While here, the Manitoba kids visited Banff & Lake Louise, Drumheller, Calgary Science Centre & Studio Bell. Together, they performed for the students of Cremona & Westglen Schools and also held a private concert for the families involved with the exchange.

Coming up this month, our Grades 7-9 band students head off to Toronto for [MusicFest Nationals](#) where they will share their musical achievements on a national stage and will get to do some fun, touristy things too! **For anyone wishing to watch the performance, it will live streamed from their website (link above). They perform at 8:00am MST on Wed, May 14th.** We wish them good luck and safe travels!

Other important dates for our MusicFest folks include:

- Wed, May 7th 6:30 pm parent & student info meeting at school Library
- Sun, May 11th 7-8 pm rehearsal at school amphitheatre
- Mon, May 12th 3:15-4:15 pm rehearsal at school amphitheatre

We would like to extend a big thank you to our Band Director, Mr Hutcheon, for the countless hours put in making these unforgettable experiences happen. We would also like to thank our band families & CSBS board members for all their extra time and efforts. These memorable encounters could not happen otherwise!

Our next band society board meeting will be held on May 7th in the school library at 7pm.

School Council Update

At all School Council meetings, we cover reports and updates from Leadership, CSES, Band Society, Administration, Trustee and Financial report. If you as a parent are interested in hearing from all school groups, we encourage you to come to school council meetings. 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.

At our April meeting we discussed:

- Discovery Night – Thank you to all who attended, great success
- Gr 5/6 Lunchtime Basketball is now complete, good turnout and kids had fun
- Math Fair
 - May 22 from 4pm-6pm
 - volunteers needed, please contact office or Suzanne Kempster if you can volunteer
 - donations of candy and or larger door prizes for participants greatly appreciated
- AGM will be held on May 22, 2025, at 7:00pm in School library
- Athletic Awards to be held June 17 @ 7pm
- Welcome Back BBQ 2025/26 – Sept 4 – 4:30-6:30pm
- Organizing school speakers for parents and students
 - Speaker to come in on topic of AI
 - Speaker for students
 - Mortgages, buying homes
 - Understanding interest rates, programs for first time home buyers

For more details on our meetings, all minutes are posted on the Cremona School website under the 'About' tab, school council. Please review and if you as a parent have any questions or concerns that you want to address at next meeting, all input is welcome.

Next meeting – AGM May 22 at 7pm - School Library - We hope to see you there!

Bouquets & Celebrations



- May 5 is Bus Driver Appreciation Day - Thank you to our wonderful bus drivers, we appreciate you!
- We would like to give a big shout out to our awesome Educational Assistants at Cremona School. Your support in our classrooms and around our school is very much appreciated!
- Congratulations to all of our badminton players! Special congrats to the following athletes who competed in Zones - Reece, Cooper & Jarett and Grace & Bryn! Go Cougars!
- Big thank you to Cremona School Enhancement Society for their recent donations to our school including:
 - Grade 1 numeracy & literacy organizational bins & tools in the classroom!
 - A new bottle filler fountain for the elementary end (coming soon)!
 - Funding towards a new set of 5 - 50lb commercial grade dumbbells for the weight room!
 - Ongoing playground equipment upgrades!
 - Sponsoring the ever popular Alien Inline Skating program coming in June!

Thank you to CSES and thank you to our community for supporting their ongoing fundraising efforts!

- Big Bouquet of thanks to: Cremona/Water Valley Chamber of Commerce, Big Prairie Hall Board for providing meals for our Experiences Canada exchange students and to all the parents who helped in so many ways throughout the exchange!



If you would like to recognize someone in this section of the newsletter, please email kmckinnon@cesd73.ca

THE YES PRESS

Coming Up:

After School “YES Events”

- Starting May 6th, the YES Program will be doing individual events after school on Tuesdays, ending at 4:15!
- Students in Grades 5-8 can sign up for these events on the bulletin board outside the YES Room.

Canadian Mental Health Week is May 5-11 and we will be participating in Let's Chalk About It again! So watch for the encouraging chalk art from our Grade 3-8 students!

April in the YES Room

April was short, but we enjoyed it nonetheless! Crafternoons continued after school with finger knitting, painting and macrame keychains! Drop-in lunches have also been enjoyed by Grades 5-8!

The kindergarten classroom program, Kimochis, came to an end and the Grades 4, 5 and 8's will be wrapping up this month!

Mental Health Matters!

Storms don't last forever.





BUY YOUR YEARBOOK!

A YEAR OF GREAT MEMORIES AT
CREMONA SCHOOL

Login to [Student Quickpay](#) and add to cart!

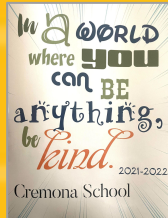
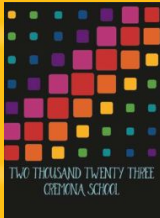
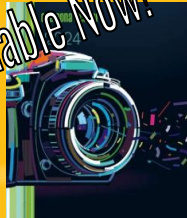
We have a limited number of yearbooks from previous years available for purchase. Please stop in at the office if you'd like one!

Yearbooks for the current school year (2024-2025) are available to **pre-buy** now and will be ready for pickup in November, 2025.

Pre-buy!



Available Now!



Yearly Reminder to Check PowerSchool Parent Portal Account to sign in...

Cremona School staff are planning ahead for the upcoming year.

In mid-August, Chinook's Edge will be sending home your "Annual Re-Enrollment and Consents" for the 2025-2026 School year. The form will need to be completed and submitted prior to the start of the school year.

The form will ensure your registration, up-to-date information and certain consents for the upcoming school year.

The form contains a Walking field trip, and Technology consents that has to be completed every year before your child can participate in these activities.

We are asking parents and guardians to ensure that they can sign into their PowerSchool parent portal account before the end of the year. If you are having troubles with your username or password, please contact your school before the end of the school year to get help!

This is for all active K to 12 students.

Please try to sign into the link:

<https://powerschool.cesd73.ca/public/>

Thank you





**KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION**
IS NOW OPEN FOR THE
2025/2026
SCHOOL YEAR!

KINDER ORIENTATION
FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS
FRIDAY, MAY 9th 10am-NOON

WWW.CESD73.CA

For more information
please contact us:
Email : cremona@cesd73.ca
Call : 403-637-3856

Save the Date!

May 22nd from 4-6pm

**MATH - It's a TREAT
MATH FAIR!**

Math Explorations and Prizes
K-12 Math Gallery
Math Games
BBQ & Bake Sale
Community Members & Businesses

Student Centered | Non Competitive | All Inclusive | Problem Based

Still accepting candy donations!



**School Bus Drivers
WANTED**

- No experience needed
- Must have a non-GDL Class 5 license
- **Paid** Class 2S training
- Take your preschool children with you.

Great part time
job for retirees
and parents with
young children

APPLY TODAY:
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transportation@cesd73.ca

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under Careers/Support
Staff/Spare Bus Drivers

Hats on for Mental Health

Wednesday, May 7th, 2025



Cremona School Enhancement Society (CSES)

Grade 1 class: receiving fun new equipment for literacy and numeracy centers.

Alien Inline Skating: June 9-12

June 12: SKATE-A-THON 4:30 - 6:30
Cremona School Gym
For all ages

- Prize for the highest pledge earner
 - Bake Sale, looking for baking contributions
 - Classroom art canvas auction
 - Online Auction May 30 - June 12
- SEEKING DONATIONS FOR AUCTION
- Proceeds will go towards school improvements.

csesociety2011@gmail.com



For parents/caregivers with youth aged 8 to 24

May 22, 2025
6:30–8:00pm
Cremona FCSS Building
(106 1 AVE East)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

www.mvfrn.ca
info@mvfrn.ca



Stress Management & Healthy Coping

Boost your own wellness while learning how to support the wellness of the youth in your life!

An overview of what the stress response is, and how it affects the body and mind

Help developing an awareness of your stressors

Strategies on how to cope with stress in healthy ways

WHAT'S HAPPENING?! @ Cremona Municipal Library



MONDAYS

May 5, 12 & 26



10:30- 11:30 am
2:00- 3:00 pm*

Story Time

Drop-in program for ages 0-6 and parents/caregivers. Enjoy stories, music, rhymes & activities with your little ones while developing early literacy and social skills.

WEDNESDAYS

May 7, 14 & 21



3:15- 4:15 pm

Lego Club

For ages 6 and up. Build, create, have fun!

Space is limited. Registration is required.

WEDNESDAY

May 28



3:15- 5:00 pm

After School Movie: "Dog Man"

Join us at Cremona FCSS for an after-school movie! Popcorn will be provided. Suitable for children ages 8+. Under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is encouraged.

FRIDAY

May 16



10:30- 11:30 am
1:00- 2:30 pm

Red Deer Polytechnic's Red Hot Science offers hands-on workshops in technology, coding, and robotics!

Ecosystem in a Jar (ages 7-10, 8 and under MUST be accompanied by an adult)

Holograms (ages 10-14)

Space is limited. Registration is required.

Coming this
Summer!
July &
August

TD
Summer
Reading
Club
2025

Mondays 1- 4 pm

Registration
opens June 9

Around the World!
Get your passports ready. For ages 5 to 12. Join us each week for indoor & outdoor activities, crafts, and fun prizes!

CONTACT US!

	(403) 637-3100	MONDAY	10 am- 5 pm
	cremonalibrary@prl.ab.ca	TUESDAY	1 pm- 8 pm
	www.prl.ab.ca/Cremona	WEDNESDAY	10 am- 5 pm
	@CremonaMunicipalLibrary	THURSDAY	10 am- 5 pm
	205- 1st Street E, Cremona AB	FRIDAY	10 am- 5 pm
		SATURDAY	CLOSED
		SUNDAY	CLOSED
		HOLIDAYS	CLOSED

WE'RE HIRING!

SUMMER READING PROGRAM ASSISTANTS

This is a term position involving one half-day shift per week during July and August, with a paid orientation shift prior to the program start. There may also be opportunities to work additional shifts on Canada Day and at other summer events.

Under the supervision of the Library Manager, you will be responsible for organizing and delivering the Summer Reading Club at the library. Working alongside other Summer Reading Program Assistants, you will guide and supervise children aged 5 to 12 through a summer filled with fun, reading, and a variety of indoor and outdoor activities.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS AND HOW TO APPLY

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO AND REGISTRATION DETAILS