



Wolverine Weekly October 18th 2024

Congratulations to our Girls Soccer Team!



Ms. Keon and I were delighted to see our students fully prepared and engaged in meeting with out Out of Province Post Secondary Reps. There was a definite buzz in the gym as students got to speak with representatives from 43 different post secondary schools. We encourage you to continue the conversation with your student at home and to look carefully at the requirements of each school to make informed decisions about courses in high school and to pay attention to application deadlines. On November 25th from 1-3pm CCHS will host our "in province" post secondary fair (known as ELAA) in the gym. Parents are welcome to attend again. We suggest that you prepare with your child using the same materials provided to prepare for OOP. Mr. O is always available to support students beginning applications or reaching out to post secondary schools for more information. He can be contacted at matt.onyschuk@crps.ca

Teachers report a significant positive difference in student engagement in the classroom with the Ministerial Order on personal devices in place in the classroom this fall. Anecdotally, we are noticing an uptick in attention during lessons and positive student interactions throughout the day. In addition we are seeing more grade 12 students make use of their 'spare' to study or do

homework which should increase their available free time in the evenings. As a reminder here is our [current mobile device policy](#). We thank you for your ongoing support of our policy.

School Council Meeting Tuesday October 29th 2024 7pm

Our next school council meeting will be on October 29th at 7pm. Coming to school council meetings when you can is a great way to stay in touch with what is going on at the school and what our plans are moving forward. You will hear from a teacher each month about the area they work in as well as a report from the Principal and updates from our parent community. You can join us in person in the school cafeteria or via this virtual link.

meet.google.com/wqd-rfvr-jae

Parent Info Micro Session Tuesday October 29th 6:30pm

Our next session is: “**How can I stay connected with my child’s high school achievement?** Google Classroom, ParentPortal, and the CCHS website demystified.” The session will be on October 29th from 6:30pm- 7pm in the cafeteria and at the virtual link below. We encourage you to bring your questions about how to support your child in their classes and how to access information during this short session. This session uses the same virtual link as the school council meeting meet.google.com/wqd-rfvr-jae

CRPS International Student Homestay Families Needed!

CRPS is currently looking for 6 new Homestay families in Banff, Canmore or Exshaw who can open their home to an international high school student (grade 10-12) from Feb-June 2025. Remuneration is provided at a rate of \$1300.00/month. You can go to our [Homestay Website](#) for an overview of the program. Here is a direct link to our [Homestay Application](#). Email homestay@crps.ca or call 403-609-6072 ext. 6220 for more information.

Food for Learning Program

The Food for Learning Program is a voluntary program available to students of CCHS who are in financial need, and is made possible by a grant. The purpose of the program is to provide lunch to children of families who need financial assistance with the costs of school lunches. The program is intended to support only the children of families who are having **financial difficulty providing a nutritional, balanced lunch for their child**. It is available, free of charge, to children who attend CCHS. If you believe your family would benefit from this nutritional assistance program please complete the [Food for Learning Form](#). If your child is already accessing Food for Learning but you have not filled out the Google Form this year, please fill out the form. You can contact annabel.preece@crps.ca confidentially if you have questions.

Smudging

As part of our ongoing journey of reconciliation, CCHS has visits from our division Knowledge Keepers. At times, and as part of a learning experience led by our Knowledge Keepers,

students at Canmore Collegiate High School will have an opportunity to participate in a traditional smudge if they wish. A smudge involves burning a small amount of dried plant such as sage, tobacco, sweetgrass or cedar inside a cast-iron dish or abalone shell. During a smudge, participants sit in a circle and listen to the Elder/Knowledge Keeper/facilitator offer teachings about the practice and its role in historical and contemporary Indigenous communities. The smudge bowl may be passed around the circle as part of this traditional way of opening or beginning time together. Each year we inform our families of this and seek consent. If you have not done so already, please complete the attached Google Form to indicate your choice for your student. [Smudge Form](#) If you complete this form giving consent, your child has the choice to participate if they wish to, they can always choose to opt out even if you have given your consent. Contact cchs.info@crps.ca if you have questions. Thank you to families who have already filled out this form.

Dates for your Calendar

Fri, Nov. 1 - 11:40 am Dismissal (Professional Learning in the afternoon)

Nov. 6 5-8pm In Person Appointments, 7 5-8pm Phone or Virtual Appointments & 8 8:30-noon Both In person and phone/virtual appointments. Parent Teacher Conferences. Your child should attend with you to your appointment.

Fri, Nov. 8 - NO SCHOOL for students

Mon, Nov. 11 - NO SCHOOL (Remembrance Day)

Tues, Nov. 12- Awards Night at 7 p.m.

Have a great week!

Ms. Preece, Principal

Ms. Keon, Assistant Principal