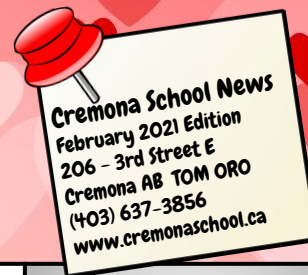












FEBRUARY



7	1 First Day of Semester 2! 	2	3 Cutoff is NOON today for Subway orders online Band Society Mtg - 7pm Grad Mtg - 7:30pm	4	5 Collaborative Day No School	6
7	8 Coco Brooks band fundraiser begins! 	9	10 Science Fair registration forms due today	11 Subway Day! 	12 <i>Valentines Dress Up Day</i> 	13
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<i>Winter Break</i> 						
21 / 28	22 Science Fair filming & judging all week 	23	24 Pink Shirt Day for Anti-Bullying Awareness 	25	26 Coco Brooks band fundraiser ends!	27

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, Dr. Seuss's birthday and 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 to complete nine squares of kindness! Do something together to enjoy Family Day. It is amazing how even the smallest of gestures can brighten someone's day.

It is Science Fair month again. Science Fair will look different this year, but it is still happening. Science Fair presentations will be recorded one at a time throughout the week of February 22 -25. The recording will be watched by the judges. If your child would like to put in a Science Fair project, please have them get a Science Fair package from the office and return the sign-up sheet. Keep an eye out for our top presentations at the end of the month.

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.
Joanna Harvey, Principal

Sharing our values each day

A Message from the Superintendent



Ensuring that our students are engaged in meaningful learning and encouraged to rise to new challenges is part of our mission in Chinook's Edge. This year, more than most others, our teachers and school staff have relied upon the core values that inform our work together, guide our relationships, and impact the potential of each student. We have all needed to shift our learning in several ways during this pandemic. We are able to rise to these challenges and accomplish great things together, because we share a firm foundation of values that help create a positive school culture.

Our Mission and Vision statements are a daily reminder of our most important values, which guide our work despite any challenges the pandemic may be creating. We recognize the uniqueness of every child in our care and, through our focus on relationships and on the values that shape strong character, we encourage each one to achieve excellence.

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools

For Trustee updates and to read the latest Board eNews, please visit our [website](#).

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.

Cremona School Science Fair!

We are delighted to report that the Cremona School Science Fair will be held during the last week of February. Our fair will look different this year due to COVID restrictions, but we are so excited that the students will still have the opportunity to explore, discover or invent!

Students from K - 12 are welcome to register, they will then be contacted with a date and time that they can showcase their presentation. At this time they will be filmed by the Science Fair Coordinator (Ms. Sheppard) and their work will be perused by several other staff members who will provide feedback to the student over the next few days. Unfortunately, viewing is not open to the public this year.

There will be a Virtual Regional Science Fair for grades 5-12 (only) where students will have the opportunity to send their video on if they are asked to do so.

Registration forms and information packages are available in the office and are due back on February 10th, 2021.



Message from School Council

Get Involved!

Happy New Year to all. We were able to gather on Google Meets Jan 19 for a virtual school council meeting. Here is a summary of that meeting:

1. Feedback on At home Learning for grades 7-12 for the "prior to Christmas" and "after Christmas" for Gr. K-12.

- Overall consensus that students were more prepared and able to connect using the Google Classroom then they were in the spring. Teachers were able to spend time preparing students to work from home.
- Mrs. Harvey reported that all students were active in their classes. Computers were loaned out to students that needed equipment to be able to participate from home.
- Overall good feedback on the amount of work given. Reported that participation in virtual classes helped students stay connected with their teachers and keep up with expectations.
- Both parents and staff shared that even though **at-home** school was fairly well tolerated, students and staff are very glad to be back doing **in-class** learning as of Jan11.
- Students were able to stay on track for the most part and will continue reviewing as they come back into class. Finals will start the last week in January.

2. Feedback on how **in-class** learning is going with current covid restrictions.

- Questions regarding masking at recess
 - Administration shared that if students are sitting outside and well distanced they can remove their masks. However, masks are to stay on during recess when students are using playground equipment and physical distancing is not able to be maintained.
 - Masks can be off during outside gym due to the ability to space out. When doing physical education inside, students can have their masks off if able to stay on their place markers. Masks must be worn if students are doing any activity where they are in close contact.
- Questions about microwaves
 - According to division regulations microwaves are still not allowed.
- Regulation about not sharing any paper for 72 hours remains difficult but trying to be creative with this challenge

- Valentines will be collected by Feb 9th so that they can be quarantined before being passed out to students.
- Finals week will look different this year for high school students
- Diploma exams have been cancelled
- Final exams worth only 15% of final mark

3. Questions about student parking

- Student parking lot is full. Students are driving more due to bussing fees introduced this year and the backlogged new driver tests starting to clear up.
- How do we deal with increased traffic in student parking lot?.... Students having to get there early to get a parking spot and a few near misses reported.
- Suggestions:
 - having assigned parking
 - having some students park in the street on the east side of the school.
 - not allowing students to back out of the parking lot as to reduce risks around other students passing through the parking lot to get to recess spaces.
 - Not scheduling breaks for high school during recess time. (this is already the practice)
 - Revoking parking privileges if students are not following the rules.
 - to be followed up at the next meeting

Agenda for Feb meeting

- Discussion about how to get academic help for students struggling.
- Question: What is our role as parents in our student's education, especially when they are struggling(academically/and or emotionally)
- Question: Concerns around pop and other high sugar beverages sold in concession at school.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. If you would like a topic added to the agenda please let me know.

**Next School council meeting is Feb 9, 2021 at 7pm via Google meets.
An invite will be sent out to all parents the day of the meeting.**

Andrea Reid
areid@ualberta.net or 403 703 1020





Counsellor's Corner

GRADE 12 STUDENTS AND PARENTS: Many of the students have applied to Post-Secondary at this point and I encourage them to carefully watch the “deadlines.” This could be for course selections, residence application, payment, or a “deferral” if the student decides to not attend. If the student has been “accepted “ at a college or university keep verifying that all documents have been sent. Please come and see me if you have questions! I have gone over “Rutherford requirements” with grades 10-12. They can receive the scholarship money if 5 of their subjects average 75%. Students apply in the Spring when they have been accepted at post-secondary.

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! Also, the Grade 9 career class completed their resumes, did a detailed career search on myblueprint and have looked at post-secondary requirements.

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



CREMONA & DISTRICT SANTA'S ANONYMOUS

C/O Box 68 Cremona, Alberta T0M 0R0

January 15, 2021

Cremona School Students

c/o Cremona School

We are sending you this letter of appreciation and acknowledgement for the support provided to our program again this year. Due to Covid19, we realized there were many hurdles to work through with the daily uncertainty of attendance and fewer in school days.

We feel so fortunate to have received your support.

An ad has been placed on the front-page of our local Family & Community Support Services Newsletter as well as The Albertan, our Mountain View County Paper recognizing this student support!

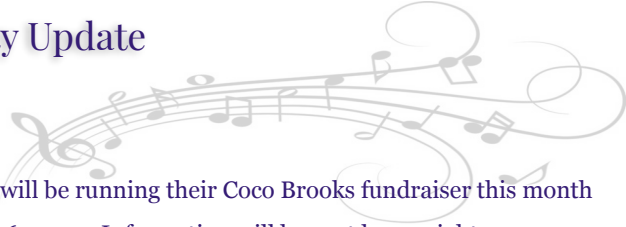
To have received the amount of money collected was quite surprising and amazing.

Thank you again for your determination, creativity and efforts.



Santa's Anonymous Volunteers!

Band Society Update



Our band students will be running their Coco Brooks fundraiser this month from February 8 - 26, 2021. Information will be sent home right away, so check your child's backpacks! All orders must be placed online and so you are aware, each student will have a unique code to track their sales. Delivery will occur on **Friday, March 12 at the bus loop**. These fundraisers help to lower the costs for our band students to attend future band trips!

The Cremona School Band Society is currently looking at purchasing various xylophones and glocks to enhance the elementary music program. Stay tuned for more details on this!

Our next band society meeting will be held virtually via google meets on Feb 3rd at 7pm. If you are interested in attending, please contact Mr. Hutcheon for the link.

[Mr. Hutcheon's Website](#)



Feb 11 - Subway Day! Remember the cutoff to order is Feb 3rd at noon via [Student Quickpay](#).

Feb 12 - Valentines Dress Up Day! Have fun dressing up today.



Feb 24 - Pink Shirt Day! Wear pink in support of Anti-Bullying.

A new semester means new experiences are ahead! As students begin the second half of the year, we want to continue to promote kindness and respect for everyone.

For a short month, we are planning to have a lot of fun! We hope you all have a fantastic February break and enjoy some family time on Family Day.



Bouquets & Celebrations

- Cremona School staff would like to extend a **HEARTFELT THANK YOU** to Byron Fleming and the Cochrane Jaguars Volleyball Club for their substantial donations to Cremona School and to Cremona School Enhancement Society. We look forward to further enhancing our Athletic programs with these funds.
- The staff and students of Cremona School want to say **Thank you & we will miss you** to Mrs. Suzanne Kempster who was covering a maternity leave. We look forward to seeing you back at the school soon, Mrs. Kempster!
- **Welcome Back bouquet** to Mrs. Paige Murphy who will return to teaching Grade 6 & Biology 30 this semester!
- **Much gratitude** to Mrs. Ross for all the extra work she puts in running the AR program! The elementary students really love it!
- **Thank you** to Mrs. Kellert for your donation to our Breakfast Program!
- **Huge THANK YOU** to CSES for your donations to pay for our new Aircat Volleyball serving machine & for 40 pair of snowshoes for our Athletics program! Also, thank you for your donation towards our Family Wellness Program!

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



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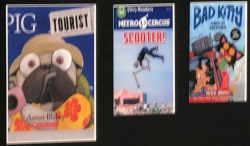
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New Releases



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Come check out the WONDERFUL selection of books at our library! Mrs. Ross brings in new books throughout the whole year! Some new titles include: Ripley's Believe It or Not - Mind Blown! Minecraft Guide to Ocean Survival! Bad Kitty vs. The Babysitter! The Ickabog! Game on Mario! And if you don't find the book you are looking for, you are able to order it online from another school in Chinook's Edge School Division!

CREMONA GRAD 2021 SEED FUNDRAISER



Cremona Grads are running a seed fundraising campaign to help offset the cost of their graduation ceremony. The instructions on how to order are below and links to the products and order forms are hyperlinked. Please feel free to have a look and support us. If you have any questions please message Karen on 587-777-4685. Also if online shopping is not your thing. I am more than happy to order for you. The fundraiser will run from Friday January 22nd until Friday February 12th.]

Thank you
Cremona Grads 2021

Product details:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/10gTej1CpCLCi008pg-X23JIS7ZOQsFYQ/view?usp=sharing>

Order form:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/10dMVmyReNpXKct3DKT-Sufl19zRx9wJe/view?usp=sharing>

Instructions for online ordering:

- 1/ Go to <https://shop.makeitsow.com> for our on-line ordering and payment.
- 2/ Go to the top bar go to the "Shop Now" button and start to shop (no password or username is needed at this point) When you completed your order go to the next step.
- 3/ Complete your order and these will be in your cart. When ready to check out press "Cart" at the top right and follow the steps.
- 4/ Now it is going to ask you for a username and Password. **Username:** karen@mjn.net
Password: gradflower
- 5/ Then you will see an information "Contact Information" box which is our group name, do not change this info, go to the "Billing Address" and change to your address (each customer will add their name and address in this box) this is where you add your info so we can track all your group's orders. Once completed, go to "Continue to Payment". Some payment methods may preload the billing Address from payment types.
- 6/ Pick your payment card and press complete. Your administrator will get a copy of your order. Master orders will be shipped at the selected end of the program set by your group.



Cremona School Band Society 2021 Coco Brooks Fundraiser

Cremona School band students will be selling Coco Brooks products to help raise funds for band trips and camps. Funds raised are tracked individually.

Order: February 8 - 26, 2021

Delivery: March 12, 2021

Order forms & product lists available from band students or online. **All orders must be submitted online.**

Link:

<https://fundraising.cocobrooks.com/invite/verify?code=whole-ten>

For more info contact Dalene Scott:
scottrd06@gmail.com or (403) 507-3583



BUY YOUR Yearbook

We have a limited number of 2019/2020 yearbooks left to sell. They will be available on a first come first served basis @ the office & are \$35.00!

2020/2021 yearbooks are available for pre-order via your students' online account. This helps us to order the correct number of books if we know ahead of time!

“
I'M
SO GLAD
I DIDN'T
BUY A
YEARBOOK
”

- said no one ever

RANDOM acts of kindness

Give a compliment	Make someone laugh	Clear up a mess you didn't make	Hug someone	Tell someone you love them
Smile at everyone you see today	Hold the door open for someone	Read to someone else	Include someone new in your games	Let someone in front in the queue
Leave a friendly note for someone	Introduce yourself to someone new	Give some loose change to charity	Sort out some old clothes to donate	Get someone else a drink
Pick up some litter that isn't yours	Tell someone reasons why you like them	Share something with someone	Say thank you to someone	Offer help to someone
Tidy up without being asked	Encourage Someone	Thank an adult for something they do for you	Make someone a card	Help cook dinner



Cremona Ag Society's 3rd Annual Survivor Island 50/50 Cash Draw Hosted by: Terri Belcourt

How to Play:

- ❖ Gather your family, friends and coworkers to form a 5 person team
- ❖ Each team will pay \$200 to enter (\$40/participant)
- ❖ A player can be on more than 1 team
- ❖ Each player on a team is given 4 lives
- ❖ Players will be progressively eliminated from the game as they are voted off the island
- ❖ The last remaining player is the 'Sole Survivor' and wins the grand prize (1/2 of the total jackpot) to be shared equally with their team
- ❖ Teams must be entered by **February 12, 2021**
- ❖ **Final Draw Saturday March 27, 2021**
- ❖ Completed forms and e-transfers can be sent to cremonasurvivor@gmail.com or mailed to Cremona Ag Society Box 219, Cremona TOM 0R0



Need a team? Let us know and we will help you find one!