



# Welcome to our NEW TEACHERS!



My name is Jenna Kulyk (soon to be Hoopfer). On September 5, I will be getting married to my fiance, James. I will be starting the school year as Mrs. H to eliminate confusion. I grew up and spent my first four years of teaching in Hudson Bay, Saskatchewan. I currently live in Carstairs. When I am not at school I can be found watching sports, going for walks, hanging out with friends and watching Netflix. I also have a passion for coaching volleyball, softball and curling. Even though this will be my first time teaching grade 1, it will be my 7th year of teaching! In the past 6 years I have taught Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and grade 4. I have also been a Learning Supports Teacher and spent some time teaching at Horizon School in Olds.



My name is Maggie Jensen. I will be teaching the 6/7 split this year. This is my first year teaching. I received my BEd from the University of Alberta this April. I taught in Grade 6, Grade 4 and Grade 1 classrooms during my practicums in Red Deer and Penhold. Before that, I was an EA at Penhold. Outside of school, I coach competitive and recreational synchronized swimming. You could find me catching the chair up for the last run of the day or trekking up early in the morning to ski some fresh snow. I love the winter and snow so much that I am getting married outside this December. I'm looking forward to getting to know the students, staff and families here in Cremona. Here's to a new year!



Hi everyone! I'm Mrs. Lencastre. I teach high school math and science. I'm originally from Winnipeg, born and raised. I went to University of Winnipeg for my math and education degrees and graduated in 2018. My husband and I are recently married (yes, I'm a COVID bride). We bought a house in Cochrane this summer to be closer to the mountains and to start our newlywed life! I'm very excited to be here in Cremona for my third year of teaching. Here's to a different but great upcoming school year!



# From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back to a new school year at Cremona School. I hope that all of you had a pleasant summer and had some time for rest and relaxation. I am looking forward to a great school year ahead. I would like to extend a special welcome to those of you who are new to Cremona School and hope that you feel at home here.

We have three new staff members this year. We would like to welcome Maggie Jensen who will be working in our grade 6/7 class in the middle school, Jenna Hoopfer who will be working in our grade one class in the Elementary and Sylvanna Lencastre who will be working in our high school math and science classes. We would also like to welcome back from maternity leave Chelsea Sheppard who will be our grade 5 class's homeroom teacher cohort along with Mrs. Day.

The beginning of every new school year is an exciting time. It is a time to renew acquaintances and catch up with old friends. It is a time for new beginnings. The staff of Cremona School is looking forward to making this year a successful, productive and happy year with challenging opportunities and engaging learning experience that will allow students to achieve at a high level of performance.

I extend heartfelt gratitude to our teachers and support staff who spent many hours decorating and organizing their classrooms before school opened and to our office staff who have done many behind the scenes organizational tasks. I also thank our custodial staff for all their hard work cleaning, painting and preparing our school for the new school year.

Once again, I am looking forward to working with the educational team here in the school and outside the school as parents and community members are an integral part of our educational team. Our entire staff wishes everyone a very happy and successful school year and welcome you all to the new school year at Cremona School

Please feel free to contact me at any time via phone or email if I can be of assistance.

Joanna Harvey  
Principal

## **Believing in every student A Message from the Board of Trustees**

We are so excited to welcome our students and staff back to school! Our Central Office team, school administrators and many other staff have worked hard to take care of many details around safety protocols, so that our students can enter into this school year full of enthusiasm. Our staff are going out of their way to deliver a world of opportunity to our students.

Schools in Chinook's Edge have been required to modify some routines, and safety is on our minds more than ever. Be assured your child will be well looked after. Our schools are prepared, our teachers and staff are keen, and our students can now embark on an exciting year with confidence. We are looking forward to engaging every student in meaningful learning so they can achieve higher levels of success throughout their lifetime. On behalf of the entire Board and Central Office team, we wish everyone a fantastic year in Chinook's Edge, where students come first!

Allan Tarnoczi, Chair  
Board of Trustees



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Aug 27-28 School Organizational Days  
 Aug 31 Focused PD Day

SEPTEMBER 2020						
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Sept 1 Students First Day of School  
 Sept 7 Labour Day  
 Sept 11 Focused PD Day

OCTOBER 2020						
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Oct 9 Collaborative (am)  
 Non Instructional (pm)  
 Oct 12 Thanksgiving Day  
 Oct 23 Collaborative Day  
 (HS Common Collab)

NOVEMBER 2020						
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Nov 11 Remembrance Day  
 Nov 12-13 Fall Break  
 Nov 27 Collaborative Day  
 (HS Common Collab)

DECEMBER 2020						
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Dec 11 Collaborative (am)  
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 Dec 21-31 Christmas Break

JANUARY 2021						
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Jan 1 Christmas Break  
 Jan 4 Students Return  
 Jan 29 School Organizational Day

FEBRUARY 2021						
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Feb 5 Collaborative Day  
 (HS Common Collab)  
 Feb 15 Family Day  
 Feb 15-19 Winter Break  
 Feb 18-19 Teachers' Convention

MARCH 2021						
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Mar 5 Non Instructional Day  
 Mar 19 Collaborative (am)  
 Non Instructional (pm)

APRIL 2021						
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Apr 2 Good Friday  
 Apr 5 Easter Monday  
 Apr 19-23 Spring Break

MAY 2021						
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May 7 Collaborative (am)  
 Non Instructional (pm)  
 May 21 Focused PD Day (TPGP Day)  
 May 24 Victoria Day

JUNE 2021						
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Jun 4 Non Instructional Day  
 Jun 29 Students Last Day  
 Jun 30 School Organizational Day

LEGEND						
▲	School Planning Day					
■	Focused P.D. Day					
●	Holiday					
★	Non-Instructional Day					
■	Teachers' Convention					
■	Significant Start and End Dates					
■	Breaks					
●	Collaborative Days: No school for students. One Focused PD Day will be designated as the TPGP					

## Bell Times

### Grades K-4

8:40-9:00 Reading Block

10:30 Recess begins

10:45 Recess ends

12:00 Lunch begins

12:40 Lunch ends

3:05 School ends

### Grades 5-8

8:40-9:00 Reading Block

9:00-9:55 Block 1

9:55-10:50 Block 2

10:50-11:05 Recess

11:05-12:00 Block 3

12:00-12:40 Lunch

12:40-1:50 Block 4

1:50-3:05 Block 5

3:05 School ends

### Grades 9-12

8:40-9:50 Block 1

9:50-10:50 Block 2

10:50-12:00 Block 3

12:00-12:40 Lunch

12:40-1:50 Block 4

1:50-3:05 Block 5

3:05 School ends

## Counsellor's Corner

September 2020

Hello everyone, I'm glad to be back working with your teenagers about their career and post-secondary plans! I put together and will distribute to every Grade 12 student a package which will include their current credits, scholarships and how to apply for them, and some general information on student loans and how to apply to post-secondary. Please know that sometimes students need some parental "pushing" when it comes to applying for scholarships!

I normally have one lengthy meeting with every Grade 12 student before Christmas and encourage them to come back and see me ANY TIME they have more questions or concerns. Students considering going to a college are my first priority as diploma programs are very competitive and have early application deadlines. If parents wish to be a part of this discussion, just contact me and I will arrange a convenient time for all of us to meet. I will meet with the Grade 11s later in the second semester.

I would also encourage students and parents to research when the post-secondaries are hosting a Zoom OPEN HOUSE. These are important to watch as they go over general information about the programs and admissions. I will do my best to connect with their choices of post-secondaries and arrange for online presentations. Although at this point I cannot take your teenager to a university or college, I really encourage you and your teenager to walk around outside the buildings on a "possible" campus! Is it a good fit? Is it too large? Too small?

I am here to answer any questions and assist as much as possible with your teenager's career choice!

Ruth Dougherty

## Class of 2021 – Make This Your Best Year



Order Day - Tuesday, September 15

(get your finger sized, ask questions, try on rings, place your order)

Time - 2:00 PM

Monthly Payment Plans  
Are Available with JPay

Don't Forget Your  
Deposit

Design Your Jewelry @ [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)

All Students Will Receive A Catalogue To Bring Home

FREE GRATITUDE RING  
(when you order jewelry in school)



Order Now and Have Your Jewelry to Wear All Year

### Ordering Lunches Online

✓ Quick

✓ Easy

✓ Secure



Go to: [www.cremonaschool.ca](http://www.cremonaschool.ca)

Click on Parent/Student tab

Login to Online fee payment, click on your child's name, then click on the month you'd like to purchase **Subway** for. Make your selections and add to cart!

\*Be mindful of cut-off dates to order online\*

## Band Society Update



You're invited! Are you a parent/guardian of a new or returning Band Student? The Cremona School Band Society would like to welcome both new and returning Band Parents to the Society! The Band Society meets once per month during the school year to support both the Band Program and Music Education at Cremona School. If you'd like to learn more about these programs or would like to get involved, the meetings provide a great opportunity to do just that.

Please join us at the first CSBS meeting of the new school year on **Wednesday, September 2, at 7:00 PM** in the Bus Loop. Please bring a lawn chair as this will be an outdoor meeting.

Finally, the CSBS would like to invite all Band Parents to attend the Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday October 7 at 7:00 PM**. We are looking to fill the following positions: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Grade 5 Director, and Grade 8-12 Director. All Band Parents are society members and are eligible to volunteer for these positions. The meetings typically last less than an hour and are usually held on the first Wednesday of the month. If you or someone you know would be willing to help out with any of these positions, please contact Karen Olson at [olsonk@cciwireless.ca](mailto:olsonk@cciwireless.ca). Thank you in advance for your help!

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Message from School Council



Welcome all to a new school year! I recognize that this school year will look different than any other; the work of teachers and students stays the same. Therefore, the work of school council must continue. For those of you parents who have not had to opportunity to join in on the work of school council, I just wanted to share that we are an entity that is mandated by Alberta Education.

There is great value in having parents and community members engaged in the education of Cremona school students. School Council is the way for parents and school staff to work together in decision making to impact our students' success.

We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month in the school library at 7pm. We have the opportunity to hear what is happening in our school from administration's perspective, ask questions and to discuss current issues that are impacting our school. We have had both in-house and outside speakers join us to keep us informed on issues that are relevant to our students. This year we hope to continue to add value to our school community.

**We cannot do this without you!** The more parents we have involved in these discussions the better... the more insight we get. Our first topic will be one that I am sure is on everyone's mind: **School during the coronavirus Pandemic**. We want to know how students, parents and staff are doing. What are some the success and struggles? In order for this to be a success we need to hear from you. So please join us with your questions, concerns and the things that are going well.

Our first meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 22 at 7pm** in the school library. We will also be having our AGM that evening. But don't be intimidated by the AGM. There is not a large workload with school council so please don't let that stop you.

Andrea Reid  
School Council Chair

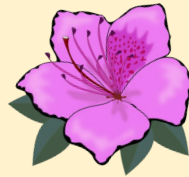
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# Bouquets & Celebrations



- Welcome Back Ms. Sheppard who is returning from her maternity leave! We are so happy to see your smiling face around the school!
- Congrats and Best Wishes to Mrs. Sandra Kinch on her retirement from bus driving. We will miss seeing you around the school, Sandra!

- Thank you to the Cremona School Enhancement Society who have added to our school playground! We have more tables for outdoor classroom space, benches, parallel bars and 3 new funnel balls!
- Thank you to Madison Turner, Hailey Ekert & our staff for installing the new playground equipment & Matt McKinnon for the bobcat work!



\*If you would like to recognize someone in this section of the newsletter, please email [kmckinnon@cesd73.ca](mailto:kmckinnon@cesd73.ca)\*