

January

2020
happy new year

5	6  WELCOME BACK!!	7 Outdoor Pursuits Snowshoeing field trip! 	8 Playschool Mtg - 6:30pm Band Society Mtg - 7pm	9	10	11
12	13	14 School Council Mtg - 7pm	15 Pizza Day 	16	17	18
19	20 	21	22	23 Elementary Assembly -1pm Amphitheatre	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 High School Ski Trip to Sunshine 	31 High School Ski Trip to Sunshine	

Cremona High School Exam Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
13 English 30 Diploma Part A	14	15	16	17
20	21 Social 10-1 Pt A (in class) English 10-2 Pt A (in class)	22	23 *Last Day of Classes for H.S. English 30 Diploma Part B	24 Social 9 PAT
27 Bio 30 Diploma Math 20-1/20-2 Math 10C & 10-3	28 Science 9 PAT	29 Chem 20 Social 10-1 English 10-2	30 Test Make-up Day	

All exams will begin at 9:00 a.m.
unless otherwise specified.

Students are asked leave the
building once they have
completed their exam unless they
are working in a classroom with a
teacher.





From the Principal's Desk

A New year has begun. We hope that you all had a wonderful, rejuvenating break and are looking forward to new adventures in 2020! As part of your new adventures, come out and be part of what we do at school. We love to have our students' families be part of our daily activities and there are many ways that can happen. You can volunteer in a classroom, chaperone a field trip or come to a monthly meeting such as: School Council, CSES or our Band Society just to name a few. With that, we do remind you that an up-to-date police record check must be on file at the school for you to be a volunteer or chaperone.

We continue to transition into more digitally-based communications; such as the PowerSchool app, our online field trip form and our yearly demographic update form. These processes have streamlined procedures and have reduced a significant amount of paper usage. As we continue to utilize new technology, keep the following tips in mind:

- Please remember to check the medical form each time you fill out a field trip form as it is imperative that this information is current and up-to-date.
- Online payments - you can check your student's account at any time. You can pay for field trips & extracurriculars, as well as pre-pay for Pizza Days, yearbook, milk & ice-cream cards and coming soon we will have Subway available to pay online as well!
- Online demographics updates - this is our mandatory annual verification that all of the information we have on file for your child is correct. The government requires this information so that our funding matches our student population. Please if you have not already completed this in School Engage, do so ASAP.

For high school our first semester is coming to a close. We hope to see all our students each and every day, well rested and geared up for this home stretch to final exams. We ask parents to assist their children with balancing work, school, friends and extracurricular activities so that they have the best chance of successfully finishing their courses.

Some other events that are happening in the new year include our high school ski trip to Sunshine on Jan 30 & 31. We will also be organizing ski trips for middle school and for our Grade 4 students. We are offering our Winter Travel 15 course in Lake Louise again this February for Grade 10 & 11 students; this is a 3 credit course & an amazing experience. Elementary swimming lessons will begin at the end of March.

We wish you all a very Happy New Year!

Joanna Harvey

Our commitment to health and wellness

A message from the Board Chair

In Chinook's Edge, we know that ensuring a healthy environment in our schools will positively impact both the achievement and well-being of our students and staff. Nurturing a culture of emotional, intellectual, physical, social and spiritual well-being in our division helps our students and staff reach their full potential.

The new year provides a perfect opportunity to focus on the many steps being taken in our schools to ensure the health and wellness of our students, staff and families. I thank everyone whose efforts are supporting these priorities, because doing so ensures our students are ready to learn in every classroom across our division. We are moving into 2020 with a sharp focus on our divisional goals to set all of our students up for success: Literacy, Academic Excellence, Career Connections and Social Emotional Well-being. On behalf of the entire Board, I wish everyone in our Chinook's Edge school communities a happy and healthy new year.

Allan Tarnoczi, Chair
Chinook's Edge Board of Trustees



Ready, Set, Go! Welcome to Online Kindergarten Registration!

Chinook's Edge will be accepting Online Kindergarten Registrations on January 6, 2020 for the 2020-2021 school year. Please visit our website at www.cesd73.ca for Kindergarten information!

Quality learning amid fiscal restraint:

We are intentional in moving our division forward, while at the same time answering the call to make a \$2.8 million adjustment. Please read more in the January issue of [Trustees at work for students](#).



Counsellor's Corner

Jan 2020

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 April 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 April 1st 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. Please come and see me if you have questions! I will be going on the ALIS site again with the grade 12s in February and those continuing in Post-Secondary next year will complete their Rutherford applications THIS SPRING on the ALIS site. They can receive the scholarship money if 5 of their subjects average 75%. Local scholarships will open up soon, students should be asking about reference letters!

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!

GRADE 11 STUDENTS AND PARENTS: I will begin with the Grade 11 interviews in March/April 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.

Also, we are very proud of our students participating in the "extra programs" offered to them! Charles Daum and Sam Finley both went to Ottawa with Encounters. Jolee Shand attended Encounters and also went to "Adventures in Agriculture" sponsored by the Olds Rotary Club. This is 5 days of tours of various Agricultural industries, Agribition, and a tour of the U of Regina biology lab with 24 other "agriculture interested" students. What a great opportunity!



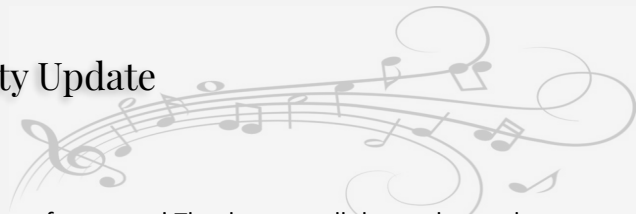
Welcome 2020!

Thanks to all that brought in food for the food drive, we collected over 1000 food items! Congratulations to Mrs. Berreth's gr 1 class and Mr. Benoit's gr 9 class for raising the most points in the food drive. They received a cookie and a hot chocolate as their prize. As well, thanks to everyone that donated shoe boxes to Operation Christmas Child. We took over 50 boxes in and helped pack a few hundred more.

January is exam month for our leadership team, so we will be taking the month to focus on our courses and plan for the months coming ahead. Have a great January and good luck to everyone writing final exams!



Band Society Update



What spectacular performances! Thank you to all the students who attended the Christmas concerts and put on such wonderful shows. Your hard work and practice sure paid off. Also, a big thank-you to Mr. Hutcheon who once again organized two amazing evenings that showed off our talented students.

Just an early heads up that there will be information being sent home in February about an optional student fundraiser for the Band students. The students will have the opportunity to sell Coco Brooks products where the proceeds will go directly into their individual Band Student account and contribute towards offsetting the expense of future band trips your student may participate in.

Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday January 8th, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Message from School Council



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.

At the December meeting of Council we had a lively discussion reflecting parents' concern with students accessing inappropriate internet sites on their personal devices while at school. Responses that other schools have taken were offered. It was decided to request that administration gather staff experiences and provide written school procedures on this topic via e-mail to School Council attendees a couple weeks prior to the February meeting. In February we will re-visit this topic to consider whether school procedures could usefully be updated.

In December we also received a presentation from administration on PowerSchool. We were reminded of how excellent a tool it is becoming in providing a window for parents into their student's progress and how they might be more engaged.

In January School Council will receive a presentation from local educator Elizabeth Surridge. Elizabeth has been involved in regular school settings as well as a coordinator in the home school environment. She is currently working with two independent Calgary schools that are based on self-directed learning and it is this that Elizabeth will discuss. She is an enthusiastic proponent of self-directed learning – giving freedom to students' enthusiasm and curiosity to explore their topics and directions. She applauds the move from content learning to concept learning.

The January School Council meeting is January 14th at 7 p.m. in the school library. Thank-you for wanting to take an active involvement in your child's education.

Contact Michael with any questions at 637-3973 or sunergy@velocitynetworks.ca

You Are Invited To CONNECT



Sometimes wonder and worry about your child's behaviour?
Sometimes feel like you just don't know what to do?
Ever worry about your relationship with your child?

Come out and learn about CONNECT
An Attachment-Based Perspective on Parenting Children and Teens

When: Tuesday evenings from January 14th 2020 – Tuesday February 25th 2020 (no class on Feb 18th)

Time: 5pm – 7pm

Where: Cremona School - Library

Goals: To think about behaviour from a different perspective
To develop awareness of relationship issues and patterns
To learn new skills and consider new options in parenting

Dinner & Childcare Provided

If you are interested in registering, please do so with:
Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Harvey, or the office staff @ Cremona School 403 637 3856
It will not run without having the required minimum number of participants

Bouquets & Celebrations

- ★ Thanks so much to the Lion's Club of Cremona, Wolf Willow Women's Group, the Parkhills Women's Group & the Cremona Cowboys PeeWee hockey team for their generous donations to our Breakfast Program!
- ★ Cathy Haley, Kale & Gavin thank you for your great job on keeping the sidewalks clear!!
- ★ Thank you to everyone that donated to our local food drive!
- ★ Thank you to Mr. Korody & his Leadership group for organizing all the fun and festive events throughout December!
- ★ Thank you Mr. Hutcheon for the amazing Band concert, and all the extra time you put into the band program here at Cremona School. We are lucky to have a passionate, caring leader for the program!



CANADIAN ROCKIES
OUTDOOR LEARNING CENTRE

DATES:

February 9th - February 12th



WINTER TRAVEL 15

3 credit course Feb 25-29 or 11-14

This course focuses on experiential learning and best practices for winter travel in mountain environments with an overarching goal of **YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IN STEWARDSHIP**

Course Fee: ~~\$400~~ \$385

Register Online at: olc.crps.ca

Registration Deadline: January 8th 1:30 PM



PURPOSE

To encourage youth to engage in winter travel and recreation in mountain environments as informed and aware individuals through downhill snowsports (skiing and snowboarding), cross country skiing and snowshoeing.

LOCATION

Canadian Rockies Outdoor Learning Centre has partnered with Lake Louise Ski Resort to deliver on site learning experiences with professional ski instructors, ski patrol, and avalanche control team. Students will also cross country ski and snowshoe in areas through Yoho and Banff National Parks. Students will stay at the Great Divide Lodge.

DELIVERY

Online course work will take place before the course at the students' home school. These sessions will be delivered using an online course management system.

Immersion in the 4-day course at Lake Louise in Banff National Park operates under a comprehensive safety system ensuring the highest standards of due diligence and care. Students should be comfortable skiing a GREEN level run prior to the program.

ACTIVITIES & INSIGHTS

Avalanche awareness, trip planning, navigation (map and compass / GPS), emergency scenarios, outdoor career exploration and resume building, leadership skills and team building.



For more information about this course or other programming offered, please contact the Outdoor Learning Centre staff at 1-403-609-6072, by email at olc@crps.ca or visit our website at olc.crps.ca

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CREMONA SCHOOL ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY PRESENTS:

COMEDY & COCKTAILS

Featuring celebrity comedian **Jebb Fink**

Entertainment Provided by CallBack Entertainment Inc.

February 7, 2020

7PM @ The Big Red Barn 18+

\$20

Tickets can be purchased at
Cremona School and Credit Union

Cses Cremona

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Contact Joanna Harvey at the school if interested.

PUBLIC SKATING SCHEDULE

Friday, January 31st

Public Skating 1:15 - 2:15

Sticks n Pucks 2:15 - 3:15




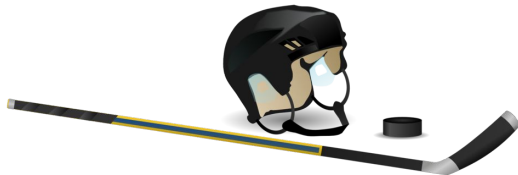
Sunday, Jan 5, 12 & 26

Public Skating 11:15 - 12:15

*Helmets are mandatory

*Children under 14yrs old must be accompanied by an adult

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



Look at Me!

I am 3! Come and join us at Parent Link for a Birthday Party to celebrate your three-year old.



Cremona/Water Valley Parent Link

202, 2 Street West, Cremona (South Door)

January 14th 2020

10:00-11:00

- Meet new people, make new friends
- Participate in games and activities
- Speak to a public health nurse, speech therapist, nutritionist, dental hygienist and occupational therapist about a 3 year old's development.



CREMONA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SITE

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TECH Q&A

Lawson Harvey will be on hand to answer any tech questions you may have. Bring your device or use one of our Chromebooks. Bring your list of questions on any tech topic you need help with!

DATE: Wednesday, January 9th

TIME: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

COST: \$35

Deadline to register: December 30th, 2019

SOLAR ENERGY 101

This session will discuss and answer your questions about grid-tied and off grid solar. We will talk about how advances in this technology are driving down costs and when solar makes financial sense. We will also touch on the electrification trend in transportation and how to future-proof your energy plan. Presented by Tony Stolz, of SWC Solar. Tony Stolz is a certified management consultant specializing in alternative energy. SWC Solar's mission is to drive down the cost of solar in Alberta by working with consumers and industry on innovative solutions.

DATE: Wednesday, January 15th, 2020

TIME: 6:00pm-8:00pm

COST: FREE

Deadline to register: January 8th, 2020

ADULT SPANISH CLASSES

¡Hola! Join Gabby Fletcher for this 6 week Spanish for adults course. Learn some daily life Spanish vocabulary and phrases that can be used conversationally. Perfect for those travelling to a Spanish country and want to dip their toes in the language.

DATES: Mondays February 3rd to March 16th, no class February 17th

TIME: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

COST: \$100

Deadline to register: January 27th, 2020

KIDS LUNCHTIME SPANISH

Learn to speak Spanish during the school lunch hour. For both new students and students who have taken lunchtime Spanish previously. Payment due at registration - we accept e-transfers.

DATES: ALL LEVELS Mondays February 3rd to March 16th, no class February 17th

TIME: 12:00pm – 12:40pm

COST: \$35

Deadline to register: January 27th, 2020

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

Learn to speak ASL with Tessa Lerbekmo-Joyes. This beginner course will include topics such as finger spelling, vocabulary, facial expressions and the history of ASL. The course is 14 weeks in length. Payment due at registration - we accept e-transfers.

DATES: January 20th, 28th, February 4th, 25th, March 3rd, 10th, April 7th, 21st, 28th, May 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th, June 2nd

TIME: 7-9pm

COST: \$200

Deadline to register: January 21st, 2020

SUICIDE PREVENTION BASICS

Join Tessa Lerbekmo-Joyes and learn all about suicide, how it happens and how to help yourself or someone else.

DATES: January 30th and February 27th

TIME: 7-9pm

COST: \$40

Deadline to register: January 23rd, 2020

MENTAL HEALTH BASICS

Join Tessa Lerbekmo-Joyes to discuss issues surrounding mental health. Topics covered will include being around people with mental health issues as well as self-care with your own mental health.

DATES: February 6th, 13th and March 12th

TIME: 7-9pm

COST: \$60

Deadline to register: January 30th, 2020

CREMONA LIBRARY

NEW LIBRARY HOURS:

Monday 9am-12pm 12:30pm-3pm

Tuesday 12pm-6pm

Wednesday 10am-1pm 1:30pm-5pm

Thursday 1pm-4pm 4:30pm-7pm

Friday 10am-1pm 1:30pm-5pm