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Cremona School News

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From the Principal's Desk...

Spring is here ... or so they tell us. Spring in Alberta can be inconsistent and unpredictable; with that there is often a great deal of mud and moisture. We ask everyone to assist us in keeping our school clean. Having our students have indoor and outdoor shoes is more important at this time of year. Taking shoes off at the door before walking through the school helps immensely.

Due to our ever changing weather, it is tough to dress our children for the whole day first thing in the morning. Layers of clothing are usually a good choice and an extra set of pants can be a bonus sometimes. If your child does get wet or dirty, we do try to find something dryer for them to be in from the lost and found, but that is not always possible, so there may be a phone call home if they do not have something already here at school.

Speaking of lost and found. Our **lost and found** boxes are beginning to overflow once more. When you are in the school over the next couple months, please check the lost and found for any items that your child may or may not realize they are missing. At the end of June, all lost and found items will be taken to a charity shop.

Please take note that we are a **nut aware school**. New snacks are wonderful, but some can be detrimental to some people's health. We ask you to assist us in keeping everyone in our school safe so please take note and do not send food that contains nuts. Thank you for your assistance.

We hope that everyone had a wonderful spring break and **thank you for supporting our school fundraisers**. Our school generated funds are utilized in a multitude of ways to benefit our students.

Have a great time in our spring weather, with more time outside with friends and family.

Joanna Harvey



Ensuring the highest levels of safety in our schools

A Message from the Superintendent

Chinook's Edge has an outstanding record of meeting safety standards in our schools, and our annual safety audit shows our division's steadfast commitment. Our staff and students are mindful of maintaining the detailed safety protocols that are embedded in our division culture. This means that, while we continue to deal with the ebb and flow that the pandemic has required of us, our attention to our safety program is strong.

We are very grateful to everyone in our school communities for working to maintain our high standards of safety. We strive for optimum safety levels throughout our division because we care about the people in our buildings – our students, staff, parents, volunteers and guests – and this priority ensures everyone continues to thrive in our safe and caring schools.

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent

We would love to hear your thoughts on this month's parent survey [at this link](#).

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



Spring Time Announcement

A Message from The Principal & Vice Principal

It is hard to believe but we are just two months away from summer. This time of year can bring some unpredictable weather, so we want to remind everyone to be prepared for what the weather has in store. This can range from a sunscreen and hat to rain gear.

Lately, we have noticed an uptick of viral colds and flus. We want to thank everyone for being diligent and keeping their kids home when they are unwell. Symptoms can change fast so at times we do have to send kids home during the school day.

Lastly, we have noticed that more elementary students (K - 4) have been bringing devices (phones/ipads/etc) to school. Devices (especially those with data) can become distractions to learning and are not allowed at any time throughout the school day (8:40am - 3:05pm). This includes use of devices during field trips away from the building. We ask that if a device is sent for use outside those times, it remains in the student's backpack as we cannot be responsible for looking after them.

If you have any questions or concerns on these or any other matter, please contact us at the school.

Thanks,
Mrs. Harvey and Mr. Korody





LET'S
CHALK
ABOUT IT
CANADIAN MENTAL HEALTH WEEK
MAY 1ST - 7TH

USE YOUR CREATIVITY TO
SPREAD SMILES,
KINDNESS &
ENCOURAGEMENT ALL
ACROSS YOUR
COMMUNITY

Positive messages

Encouraging words

Colorful pictures

**MENTAL
HEALTH
MATTERS**



The YES Team is very excited to kick off our Let's Chalk About It Campaign for Mental Health Week May 1st-7th!

Let's Chalk About It occurs during the first week in May to align with Canada's Mental Health Week. We have been hosting this event in Olds and Didsbury for several years and we are very much looking forward to extending it to Cremona!

Students prepare positive mental health messages (quotes or pictures) to leave throughout their community in chalk!

The YES Press

What's New!

Cremona Olympics

Cremona's first Olympics night was a fan favourite! Middle schoolers competed in skiing, curling, strength, bravery, coordination and balance and team events!

BOYS CLUBS!

Fun friendship groups are kicking off for some grade 1 and grade 3 boys!

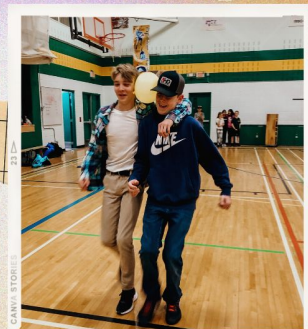
Let's Chalk About It!

The first week of May is Canadian Mental Health Week! Stay tuned for our division-wide campaign spreading positive mental health awareness through chalk art in our community!



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From the Sports Desk

Congratulations to all of our badminton athletes for the strong showing at divisionals in Olds this week. It was great to be able to see everyone at the big divisional tournament for the first time in a long time. Special congrats and best of luck go out to all of the athletes that qualified for zones. Thanks so much to our volunteer coach, Geddes Watt, and all of the great work that he has done with our players.

Track is also starting right away and the divisional tournament is coming up soon. Practices will start May 2nd and go every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday for the month of May...weather permitting. Good luck to all of our track athletes as we round out what has become the most "normal" year of athletics that we've had in a while.



Leadership

NEWS

May/June

We loved seeing everyone's wacky hair on April 8th! April 14th was a very busy day for Leadership: we had our first successful "Find Your Egg" challenge in both elementary and middle school since Covid-19! In high school we also had an egg hunt, which was a blast! That afternoon, we helped organize a whole school event where the entire school got into colour teams and played fun games to get to know each other! It was very successful and it was wonderful to see how excited everyone was while celebrating their teams. We owe a huge thank you to Mr. Youngs and Mrs. Kempster for organizing the event, and getting us involved!

Upcoming Events:

On the first Wednesday in May, Cremona School staff and students are invited to wear a hat to raise awareness of the importance of mental health. We call this "Hats on for Mental Health Day," and it will happen on May 4th. We look forward to seeing our school's support!

Keep an eye out around the school for some beautification projects that the Leadership class will be working on throughout the month of May, as well as through June!

Band Society Update

Hello Band Parents!



The Gr 7-12 band trip to Edmonton was a huge success! The kids benefited greatly from clinicians at both Red Deer College and Grant MacEwan University. They also enjoyed some fun time bowling, shopping and hitting the wave pool at West Edmonton Mall.

On May 11th we are hosting the Spring Band Concert in the school gymnasium at 7pm! This is for all band students in Grades 5 - 12. Leading up to this evening we will be running our spring fundraiser - hanging flower baskets & strawberry plants. We will have a sale table at the concert, or orders can be placed with band students. Delivery of these baskets will be on May 18th.

On May 12th our Grades 7 - 12 band students are performing with John Maland High School band for the rest of our students around 1pm. It is open to the public if any parents would like to take in the performance!

On May 18th our Grades 7 - 12 band students are headed to the ABA Festival in Red Deer and on May 19th our Grades 5 & 6 Competition Band are headed to the ABA Festival. We wish them all good luck!

Our next in person meeting will be held on May 4th in the school Library at 7pm and anyone is welcome to attend!

Message from School Council



Our April meeting was postponed.

Our next meeting will be May 10, 2022 at 7pm in the school library. Please join us for a coffee and a chat.

We will be discussing how the RAWG (Resource Allocation Working Group) process happens and parent survey results.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns that you would like to have on the agenda for the meeting.

Thank you,

Cremona School Parent Council board

Bouquets & Celebrations

- HUGE THANKS to Mr. Hutcheon for taking the Grade 7-12 band students to Edmonton! It was an experience they will have with them for a lifetime! BIG BOUQUET to our parent chaperones for keeping our Gr 7-12 band students safe while on their band trip!
- Thank you to all the families who participated in our Spring Centennial Meat fundraiser!
- We would like to give a big shout out to our awesome E.A.'s at Cremona School. Your help in the classroom is so much appreciated and valuable to our students!
- Congratulations to all of our badminton players! Special congrats & good luck to the following athletes heading to Zones for their age groups: Isaac, Amelia, Jenny, Reece, Addi, Nikyla, Joel & Ollie! Go Cougars!
- Thanks to the George McDougall Sr High band from Airdrie coming to perform for the school!



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

