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## From the Principal's Desk



October has been another busy month at Cremona School. We have enjoyed a beautiful October, but with weather being unstable in the fall, we would like to remind everyone to please send your children dressed for the ever-changing weather conditions. We would like to remind you of our Inclement weather procedures; please refer to AP 1-13 on Chinook's Edge website to read the definitions of Green, Yellow and Red days.

It has been delightful to see all the activities both in the school and around the community this year. It is wonderful to see our students involved in extracurricular activities as that is an important part of their social and emotional wellbeing. We thank you for supporting our school teams as they learn and grow in their sport and sportsmanship.

We do stress the importance of students attending school regularly and of the daily positive adult involvement in their education.

Also, we would like to thank all of those who have worked with us on the various boards in our school and we would like to welcome the newcomers to those boards. We are always looking for people to join us in our discussions and school news, so please know that you are welcome and encouraged to join us for our meetings. Please check the calendar on the school website for the dates of the meetings for School Council, CSES and the School Band Society.

#### A few reminders as we head in to November:

- Parent-Teacher Interviews are on **Tuesday November 5th from 3:30 5:30 pm and Wednesday November 6th from 3:30 8 pm.** Please note that the book fair will be available during these evenings and for those of you who participated in the Centennial Meat fundraiser, meat pickups will be on Nov 6th from approx 3 5 pm.
- We at Cremona School feel that it is important that we take the time to honour those men and women who made such a great sacrifice so that we can enjoy the freedoms that we have today. Our school Remembrance Day ceremony will be held on Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the gymnasium. We welcome all who would like to come join us in remembering those who have served and are currently serving to maintain our freedom.

## Update on Parent and school communication:

- For 5-12 students, look for updates to your child(s) progress on PowerSchool.
- Please communicate absences to the school by calling the office. Also, a quick message to the teacher helps keep everyone in the loop.

Thank you all for your continued support of our school, staff and most importantly our students.

**Darryl Korody**Principal
Cremona School



October was a busy month in the world of Career Exploration at Cremona School. CALM students received presentations from the U of L, RDP and MRU. I hope everyone had a chance to check out some of the post-secondary Open Houses that were taking place all over the province in October. For future Grade 12s, please note that we keep a list of all the open houses on the Cremona School website.

#### **Dual Credit**

Our Olds College Dual Credit students are in full swing. This year we have 5 students in the upper level welding course and 8 students taking the introductory welding course. We also have 7 very dedicated students taking Online Dual Credit programs through Olds College and RDP

#### Grade 9

The Grade 9 students have established what type of learning style suits them best and created beautiful posters outlining study tips that correspond with their learning style. They are currently completing interest / skill surveys that will match them with potential career choices. They will then choose a career that interests them and create a presentation about that career.

#### Grade 12

We have all had our first 1 on 1 interviews outlining graduation requirements and future aspirations. During these interviews I gave each of your children a post-secondary handbook and or a trades handbook, which outlines the process on how to apply to a post-secondary institution. I also provided each student with a scholarship handbook which outlines how to write a personal essay and lists copious amounts of available scholarships. Please push your kids to apply to as many scholarships as possible. Free money is always a great thing!!

In November, we will be conducting our second round of 1 on 1 interviews. The hope is that **EVERY Grade 12 student has a concrete plan for next year,** whether that be post-secondary, seeking employment right away or traveling the world.

#### Grade 10 & 11

Individual interviews will take place for Grade 10 and 11 students closer to the end of the first semester.

CALM students will be receiving presentations from Olds College and the University of Calgary in November.

# leadership

### october/November:

In October, Leadership hosted a Door Decorating Contest and the winners in Elementary, Middle and High School received a candy prize for their efforts. We also hosted a "Haunted Halloween Open House" where families were welcomed into the school on the evening of Halloween to check out haunted houses in the library, trick-or-treat, and enjoy a variety of spooky games run by our Leadership class! It was awesome to see everyone dressed up in their creative Halloween costumes!

We are also running an Item Drive for the next couple weeks in support of Operation Christmas Child. Instead of asking families to complete a whole shoebox themselves, the Leadership class has provided lists of possible shoebox items, and is asking families who would like to participate to donate as many individual items as they would like, including cash toward the \$12 donation that is recommended for each box to help with shipping costs. Please check your email for more details, including the suggested list items to include, and what cannot be included! The last day to bring in items is Friday, November 15th.

## upcoming Events:

Leadership will be helping out with running and MCing the Remembrance Day Ceremony, and we invite you to join us on November 7th. We are also excited to sort and pack the items we have collected into shoeboxes to send to Operation Christmas Child during the week of November 18-22! We will also be busy making plans for a very exciting December, so please stay tuned for all of the festive events that we have planned!

## Cremona School Academic Awards

In September we were pleased to acknowledge the following students at our annual Academic Awards Ceremony! Many of our students earned honour roll status and the following were major award recipients:

HONOUR ROLL (80% yearly average in cores, no less than P in complementary)

Grade 6: Haven Edmond, Jordy Germain, Grace Kempster, Taya Lepp, Ada Ryan

**Grade 7:** Dylin Chapin, Ezra Fitch, Brynlie Hogg, Nevelle Ireland, Eliana Jove, Ethan Lema, Cameron McKinnon, Austin Temple

Grade 8: Jacob Foat, Bentley Quigley

**Grade 9:** Chase Anderson, Ray Daniels, Emmett Docherty, Everett Docherty, Katrina Friesen, Addilee Lerbekmo-Joyes, Mason Lindberg, Oliver McKinnon, Nathaniel McPike, Joel Reid. Alexa Whittaker

**Grade 10:** Kaylee Cunningham, Kaleb Ganter, Landon Graham, Cassidy Kelly, Reece Lefebvre, Tyler Lema, Sara Neufeld, Jonah Olfert Wiens, Sam Olfert Wiens, Justin Rathwell, Cooper Scott, Jarett Scott

Grade 11: Brooke Anderson, Isaac McPike, Charlotte Reid

Grade 12: Charlie Shi

<u>MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOUR ROLL WITH DISTINCTION</u> (88% yearly average in cores, no less than P in complimentary)

**Grade 6:** Mackenzie Bellamy, Svea Crocker, Isaac Foat, Jadyn Lefebvre, Roman Reid, Daxton Williams

**Grade 7:** Adrian Anderson, Cyera Dorosz, Kale Earle, Bella Quigley, Jillian Reid, Ainsley Wiebe

Grade 8: Claire Friesen, Micah Lefebvre, Tristan Wiebe

### MIDDLE SCHOOL LEAPING LEARNERS

Grade 6: Emma Orozco
Grade 7: Jaxson Desjardins

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL COUGAR PRIDE

**Grade 6**: Grace Kempster

**Grade 7**: Ezra Fitch

Grade 8: Micah Lefebvre

#### HIGH SCHOOL TOP ACADEMIC

Grade 9: Katrina Friesen & Oliver McKinnon

Grade 10: Reece Lefebvre
Grade 11: Brooke Anderson

### HIGH SCHOOL CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Grade 9:Anabelle RodbourneGrade 10:Sam Olfert WiensGrade 11:Brooke Anderson



## Grade 12 Scholarships

CREMONA/WATER VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP: Keegan Collins

SMALL TOWN BIG DREAMS (Top in Sciences): Charlie Shi

MODERN WOODMAN MATH AWARD (Top Math 30): Charlie Shi

**COUNTY CITIZENSHIP AWARD:** Keegan Collins

CREMONA FAMILY HEALTH AND WELLNESS SCHOLARSHIP: Keegan Collins

CREMONA LIBRARY - SANDRA HERBERT SCHOLARSHIP: Abigail Manness

LIONS CLUB AWARDS: Top mark of Eng 30-2 and Social 30-2: Ava Martin

LIONS CLUB AWARDS: Top mark of Eng 30-1: Abigail Manness

LIONS FINE ARTS:

Band: Oliver McKinnon Art: Charlie Shi French: Brooke Anderson

PREMIER'S CITIZENSHIP AWARD (Gr 12 nominated by staff): Keegan Collins

SCHULICH NOMINEE: Charlie Shi

GOVERNOR GENERAL'S AWARD (Top Gr 11 and 12 marks): Charlie Shi



## Thank you to our Generous Community!

Cremona School's scholarship donations for academic achievement are numerous and extremely generous. Post-secondary is expensive and we are proud of the number and percentage of students who continue to learn after leaving our school. Many of them have benefited from the following donors, we are so thankful!

The Modern Woodman Group for the Top 30-1 Math Award

Mountain View County for the Citizenship Award Cremona Family Health and Wellness Scholarship  $\star$  $\star$ Cremona/Water Valley Chamber of Commerce Scholarship

The Cremona Library for the Sandra Herbert Scholarship Aaron Eslinger and family for the Small Town, Big Dreams Scholarship

A special thanks to **our local Cremona Lions Club**, you are amazing! They provided the following:

Fine Arts Awards - Music, Art, and French

Top English and Social 30-2 Award Top English 30-1 Award

Lions Citizenship Award

Also, a huge thank you again to the Cremona School Enhancement Society who annually provide us with gifts for our Honour Roll with distinction students.

alex Hutcheon

Teacher/Academic Advisor



## CREMONA SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Congratulations to all athletes who participated in the South Central Zone Cross Country Championships in Diamond Valley. Congratulations to Ezra Fitch for his 10th place finish and Connor Earle for 8th place finish. Huge thank you to coach Rebecca Quigley.

The volleyball teams will be finishing their seasons in November. Our Middle school A Girls will be competing in the SCZ Championships on November 8-9, The JV and Sr Teams will be competing in SCZ Championships the weekend of Nov 15-16th. Huge thank you to all the coaches and Good luck Volleyball Athletes!

Basketball and Curling season are just around the corner and will begin when volleyball seasons are complete. If you are interested in becoming involved with the program, as a coach or an assistant coach, please contact me.

Go Cougars Go!!!

Mr. R. Scott Athletic Director



## **Attention Athletes, Parents and Spectators:**

We are experiencing some vandalism to the exercise bikes that are on the stage, during home games (bolts being removed, Pedals disappearing etc)
It is a privilege that we have these bikes and they are out for students to use however if this continues the bikes will no longer be available for students.

## **Band Society Update**

The Cremona School Band Society would like to thank everyone who participated in our apple fundraiser - what a success! **583 boxes** of fresh, juicy BC apples & pears were distributed in our fundraiser!

Thank you to the High School Concert Band for a great performance of O Canada at the Academic Awards. This group continues to prepare for Remembrance Day. The school service will be held on Thursday, November 7th at 10:30 AM. This is open to all members of the community, so please consider joining us! They will also play at the community service at the Cremona Hall on November 11th.

Our Grades 5 & 6 bands returned from their camp experience at Camp Caroline and have been busy learning some holiday songs for the Christmas Concert to be held on Dec 11th. Thank you to all the parent volunteers who chaperoned at band camp!

At our October AGM meeting we elected a few new board members including: Sam Docherty as President; Kaylin Vargas as Vice President and Randa Edmond as Secretary. We would like to welcome our new board members also send out a big thank you to our retiring members: Coreen Lema, Karnell Goebel & Kristi McKinnon. Please join us at our next meeting on Wednesday, November 13 at 7:00pm in the the Library. 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.

### Why attend?

School Council is a place for you to hear what is happening at the school, it is a place where you can share your thoughts and ask the people who make the decisions why things happen the way they do. It is also a place where we as parents can learn more; how to support our students, and how to support our teachers. This is where we really make a difference. If you feel like you would like to be a larger part of your child's education, then please join us at our next meeting.

All school council minutes are posted on the Cremona school website.

## **November Meeting:**

- presenting a summary of our school results on PAT's (provincial achievement tests) and diploma marks. This will reflect how Cremona compares to other schools in the division as well as across the province.
- we will be discussing athletic fees and have a summary from the athletics department on fee breakdown and cost differences.

Next Meeting - Nov 19 th @ 9:00am (in school conference room)

## THE YES PRESS



## October in the YES Room!

## Events!

Take Me Outside Day!

This day helps to raise awareness about outdoor learning and the benefits of being outside! Middle school and elementary joined a nature walk with Mrs. Digby and talked about the many physical and mental benefits that being out in nature has for us.

October was an exciting month!

The YES program is back in action with Universal Classroom Programming in grades 1-3, 6 & 7. Small groups, after school clubs and community event planning have also begun!

We celebrated Take Me Outside Day on the nature trail!

## Encouragement!



Autumn is a gentle reminder that changes can be beautiful

## After School Activities!

This month was filled with game nights and

the start of after







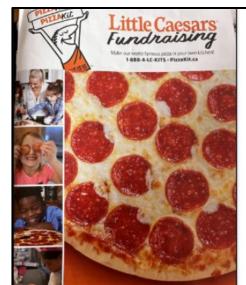
## Bouquets & Celebrations



- Thank you to Bob & Linda Scott as well as Ken & Linda Hogg families for their donation of apples to our breakfast program!

  Also big thanks to the Foods class for baking all the yummy muffins!
- Big THANKS to all of our volunteer parent and teacher volleyball coaches!
- Thank you Leadership for all the fun activities in October!!!!!
- Thank you to Mrs. Ross for organising the cardboard haunted house contest! And to the Cosmo class for the spooky nails!
- Thank you to the Cremona ConnectFirst Credit Union for their generous donation to our Breakfast Program!





## **Grad Fundraiser!!**

Purchase Little Caesars Fundraising Pizza Kits to support Cremona's Grad Class of 2025!

Click on <u>www.pizzakit.ca</u> then click Products then Shop!

Name: Cremona Grads 2025

Group ID: 181402

Fundraiser ID: 450272

**ORDERS DUE BY NOV 15th!!** 



# SOME OF OUR CARDBOARD

















## Scholastic Book Fair!



Monday, Nov 4 -Thursday, Nov 7

## TIMes:

MON: 8:002M - 3:30PM TUES: 8:002M - 5:00PM WED: 8:002M - 8:00PM THUR: 8:002M - NOON



## SANTAS ANONYMOUS

## Need a little extra help this season?

SA is a non profit community run organization that provides support to children living in the Cremona, Water Valley, Dog pound, Fallen Timber, Big Prairie, Elkton and Madden area. This is a SELF REFERRAL program running November 19 - December 13 Please call the confidential phone number

403-862-9761

## Have a little extra to help?

We accept the following donations
-Family board games
-PJs sizes infant-adult (all sizes)
-Mittens/Gloves and Touques (children and adult sizes)

DONATION TUBS are at Connect First Credit Union and Water Valley Hardware Store Cash donations can also be made via etransfer to

cremonasantas@gmail.com

## Cremona School Enhancement Society

CSES is happy to welcome Marcie MacFarquhar to our board as the new Secretary, taking over from Craig Cutting. Thank you to both individuals for volunteering and stepping in when needed!

Hopefully everyone has now seen that our annual winter Growing Smiles plant fundraiser has begun - order forms went home with the students in the elementary but everyone is able to access the online order form at https://cses.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home.

All monies raised go towards various programs / projects within our school. The deadline to order is Nov 15<sup>th</sup> with plant pick-up scheduled for Dec 4th. We otherwise have a minimal fundraising year planned, so if anyone is interested in attending a board meeting to get a sense of what we do, please watch for any meeting announcements in the near future. We have been asked to look at a few other upgrades within the school, in addition to bringing in other programs to complement what is taught in the classroom. We welcome any suggestions on ways to enhance the student's learning experience via programs or school facility improvements that we in turn can put forth to the administration.

Lastly, we would like to congratulate our top scholars this year who were awarded a gift certificate to the Blue & Bairn. For those of you who haven't yet spent your money, you also have the option to place a custom book order through her store (if there isn't anything in stock that catches your eye). Thanks!!



## Winter Fundraiser

O O O A







6.5" Premium Poinsettia
A Holiday Favourite! Brighten up any room this
winter with a vibrant poinsettia. Available in red
and white, the poinsettia is perfect for your
home, hotels, restaurants and banks over the
holidays.



Outdoor Greenery Arrangement Welcome your guests in from the cold with this large, beautiful and fresh holiday greenery arrangement. Pinecones, berries and a large red bow complete the festive look. Standing at 2 feet tall this statement piece is sure to inspire the joyful spirit!



Indoor Tropical Planter
Add a festive look to your table with a mixed
tropical planter. There are four different plant
varieties planted in these rectangular holiday
themed tins. Planter container designs do
vary and cannot be requested.



Hanging Greenery Bough Greenery that is versatile! A fun, wintage burlap bag holds premium greens and red ilex berry branches. Completing the look are holiday picks like a bow and a pinecone. Lean It up against stairs, benches or your home and hang from your door.



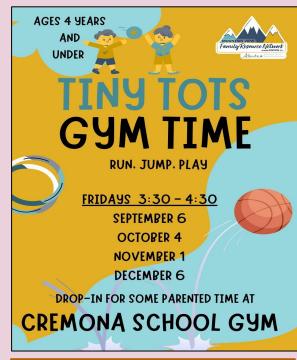
Abiliday Wreath is a classic door upgrade. Fresh noble, cedar and juniper decorated with a large plaid bow, frosted pine cones and red berries are sure to give you and your guests a homey warm feeling from the outside.



Approximate Greenery
Arrangement Size

12" Diameter pot 2 feet tall and 13 to 16" wide

\*All items may not be exactly as shown. We have a variety of plant/greenery mixes, containers and holiday features.\*





# TEEN BUDGETING PROGRAM

Join us after school at the Cremona Library to learn about the basics of budgeting

> THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21 3:30 - 4:30 PM



SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED













Big Prairie Hall Events:







#### Mountain View Moccasin House

You are invited to attend Mountain View Moccasin House cultural camp. This is open to any youth ages 12 and up living in Mountain View County. Parents and guardians are welcome to participate and would be expected to attend with students ages 12 - 14.

Participants will spend time with Elders and knowledge keepers who will share protocols and a variety of teachings, such as women's and teepee teachings. Activities will be "hands on" with opportunities to learn while helping and to experience a sweat. Through horse teachings, you will gain understanding of the horse's relationship to our world. Everyone will enjoy a culturally relevant experience with potential personal benefit through the teachings of balance in the mental, emotional, physical and spiritual aspects of the human journey.

When: 6:00 pm Sunday November 10 - 4:00 pm Tuesday November 12

Where: Camp Vallaqua by Water Valley

Who Should Attend: Anyone 12 Years and older. 12 to 14 year olds must be accompanied by an adult.

#### What to Bring:

- Sleeping Bag or Bedding, Pillow, Towels, and Toiletries.
- Water Bottle, Gloves, Outdoor Clothes and Footwear.
- Men & Boys Bring Shorts or Loose Fitting Pants to Wear in the Sweat.
- Women & Girls a Loose Fitting, Ankle Length Skirt (not black) and a modest t-shirt to wear in the Sweat.
- Everyone Bring an Extra Towel if You Want to Sweat.
- all meals will be provided

Please check out the Camp Valaqua facility,

https://www.campvalaqua.ca

For camp rules and guidelines at

https://campvalaqua.ca/res/pub/Documents/Rental-Agreement-Form.pdf

Cost: There is no fee required to participate in this camp, however donations are greatly appreciated. (cost for meals and lodging is approx 160.00/person)

Funding may be available through schools or agencies working with families in the area and those contributions would be appreciated.

 $Schools \ or \ agencies \ can \ submit \ e-transfers \ on \ behalf \ of \ individual \ participants \ or \ donations \ can \ be$  sent to  $\frac{moccasin2020@gmail.com}{moccasin2020@gmail.com} Donations \ can \ also \ be \ collected \ at \ the \ campsite.$ 

All participants must fill out and sign a registration form (attached) prior to attending. For more information email moccasin2020@gmail.com

Moccasin House - Culture Camp

Mama

Camp Valaqua November 2024

## **Registration Form**

Address:	
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Emergency Contact:	
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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?! @ Cremona Municipal Library CREMONA



**MONDAYS** 

Nov 4, 18 & 25



10:30-11:30 am

**Story Time** 

Drop-in program for ages 0-5 and parents/caregivers.

Enjoy stories, music, rhymes & activities with your little ones while developing early literacy and social skills.

WEDNESDAYS

Nov 6, 13 & 20



3:15-4:15 pm

Lego Club

For ages 6 and up. Build, create, have fun!

Space is limited. Registration is required.

WEDNESDAY

**Nov 27** 



3:15-5:30 pm

After School Movie: "The Grinch", followed by a visit from Santa!

Join us at Cremona FCSS for an after-school movie! Popcorn will be provided. Suitable for children ages 8+. Under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult. This is a drop in program but pre-registration is encouraged so Santa can prepare how many treats to bring!

**FRIDAY** 

**Nov 29** 



1:00-3:00 pm

Imagine & Explore: No-School

Adventures No school? No problem! Join us in the library for this 2-hour program for kids ages 8 and up that aims to engage children's imagination, creativity and curiousity. Let's make every no-school day an adventure of discovery and

Space is limited. Registration is encouraged

## **CONTACTUS!**

(403)637-3100



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### LIBRARY HOURS

MONDAY 10 am- 5 pm TUESDAY 1pm-8pm WEDNESDAY 10 am- 5 pm THURSDAY 10 am- 5 pm FRIDAY 10 am- 5 pm SATURDAY CLOSED SUNDAY CLOSED HOLIDAYS CLOSED

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO AND REGISTRA