



Bear Tracks

We strive for Champion Effort, Champion Attitude and
Champion Teamwork



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Principal's Prints

Happy February and Happy Valentine's Day. Hopefully, everyone enjoys some great winter fun during the Family Day break. We have had a busy month with sporting events, parent teacher conferences and kindergarten registration back in January.

Our boys' and girls' Jr. A Basketball teams had successful seasons. Both teams played extremely well in seeding rounds and won silver and bronze in their respective divisions. Way to Go Silvertips! Our Grade 6 basketball tournament is February 28th and our Jr B Basketball seasons will continue into March.

Thanks to those parents who attended our Parent Conference evenings on February 4th and 6th. Those were the last official conference days of the year. However, if you feel it is important to meet with your child's teacher later on in the year, please let us know and we will work with you to find a suitable time. Thanks to the volunteers who provided the different dishes of tasty meals and salads for us to have on the first evening of Parent Conferences. Also, for the past several years, on our second evening of conferences, Matador Pizza has taken care of us with an assortment of tasty, delicious pizza and caesar salad. Thanks to Matador for their support.

On an exciting note for next year, we had another active "early kindergarten registration day" for the 2020- 2021 school year. This is a completely online experience now. For those grade eights that will be leaving us, L, please watch for information regarding **Cochrane High School** hosting an open house on **March 5th**.

There were several occasions in January where certain bus routes did not run but the school was open, which meant that many students that were here were dropped off. That meant a much more congested drop-off but parents were filling in the gap and quickly pulling away after dropping off. I was impressed with the smoothness of it all. Thanks for your help with that process.

Our Talent Show is on February 26th, and our pink shirt day will be on March 11th and on Thursday, April 2nd, our grades 5-8 students will participate in the our 3rd Annual Bear In Mind Day for Mental Health. We have an opening keynote speaker and then the students will break off into sessions of their choosing to experience some activities that can reduce anxiety and stress. Looking forward to another great day!

A quick reminder that next year, Bears paw School will be joining other RVS schools in implementing "Real Time Reporting". This process means that you will have up to date assessment information as you want it instead of waiting for the production of a report card three times a year. The key to accessing this information is using the RVS Parent Portal.

<https://ps.rockyview.ab.ca/public/home.html>

In order to help with that transition, I am including a parent guide link that will help explain the process.

<https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/families/powerschool/RTRParentGuideFall2018.pdf>

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Silvertip Champions of the Month for February

ECS Mrs. Badry - A.M.	ECS Mrs. Badry - P.M.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simrin Minhas for being an Enthusiastic Learner. • Cassius MacDonald for his Bravery. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wyatt MacAusland for Effort in Self-Control. • Winnie Harris for her Outstanding Creativity.

Gr. 1 - Mr. Perratt	Gr. 1 - Mrs. Taggart
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ivy O'Kraney for Leadership. • Bowen Burmaster for Positivity. • Georgia Hames for Resiliency. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lincoln Sayles for Fearless Spelling. • Ruby Miljan for Fearless Spelling.

Gr. 2 - Mr. Jepson	Gr. 2 - Mrs. Middleton	Gr. 2/3- Mrs. Simpson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brayden Walz for his Exceptional Numeracy Skills. • Hudson Sagan for his Politeness and Effort. • Peter Baker for his Excellent Work Ethic and Positive Attitude. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cole Fermaniuk for Leading by Example. • Tavish McKee for always Choosing Kindness. • Cate Helmersen for Fearlessly Volunteering to answer any and all questions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catherine Kim for her Positive Energy and Fantastic Attitude at school.

Gr. 3 - Miss Frass	Gr. 3 - Ms. Johnson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kai Larson for Effort in Math. • Reid Jepp for Effort in Art. • Emma Kelly for Perseverance in Math. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ryder Lilly for Focus. • Solomon Ohler for Perseverance. • Alexander Zimmerman for Focus.

Gr. 4 - Mrs. Straile	Gr. 4 - Mrs. Sawatsky	Gr. 4 - Mrs. Knopf
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nicolas Helayel for Knowing His Times Tables. • Bentley Hope for a Positive Attitude & Hard Work in Reading. • Mia Kim-Fine for Hard Work and Use of Class Time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anton Miles for Helpfulness during Valentine activity. • Jordy Tonin for Champion Effort in Checking over Math. • Everett Brassard for Champion Effort in Math Work. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kingston Gathercole for Academic Effort & Striving to Do his Best. • Jeeya Dhillon for Excellent Work Ethic & Caring Classmate. • Maelle Walz for Self-Awareness.



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Gr. 5 - Mrs. Gogol		Gr. 5 - Mrs. Smith	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zeke Goodrich for a Mature Attitude & Self Control. • Brenden Lilly for Effort with his Science Fair Project. • Susanna Weatherill for Effort with her Science Fair Project. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mason Nelson for Excellence in Math. • Lukus Urban for Excellent Effort to Improve Reading. • Eeve Thompson for Working Hard on her Science Fair Project. 	
Gr. 6 - Mr. Sibley	Gr. 6 - Mr. Bosse / Mrs. Cheverie	Gr. 6 - Mr. Ryan	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ellis Brassard for Self-Control, Kindness, Patience and Maturity. • Gemma Caddel for Inclusiveness, Positivity and Creativity. • Bennett Kelley for Friendliness, Strong Work Ethic and, of course, a Big Brain. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cassie Reaper for Outstanding Engagement in her Learning. • Paige Kalin for her Responsible Nature and Creative Work on her Great Canadian Project. • Max Gorczyca for Positive Self-Reflection on his Learning. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kaidan Barber for taking on New Challenges,, Patience & a Strong Work Ethic. • Georgina Espanioli for taking Initiative & working really hard on her Great Canadian Project. • Nancy Powell for being a Kind, Supportive Classmate. 	
Gr. 7 - Mr. Barrett		Gr. 7 - Mrs. Crossland	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olivia O'Kranczy for Achievement in Math,. • Tate Peterson for Achievement in Basketball. • Ayden Ward for being a Champion of Hard Work and Effort. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addy Bechard for being a Champion Figure Skater and demonstrating a Playful Attitude. • Manny de Guzman for being a Champion Figure Skater and demonstrating a Playful Attitude. • Jessica Dallison for being a Champion of Kindness and Positivity. • Claire Meyer for being a Champion of Hard Work and Dedication. • Kieran O'Shea for being a Champion Helper in the Classroom. 	
Gr. 8 - Mr. Angus	Gr. 8 - Ms. Hooper	Gr. 8 - Ms. McMurdo	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rileigh Duncan for her amazing ability to Collaborate and Work with Others. • Kayley O'Connor for her Hard Work and Focus during Math class. • Kenzie Riddell for having a Positive Mindset towards her studies and for working hard in class. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avriana Crisanti for Dedication to her Work & Maturity throughout the year. • Hannah Fransoo for her Amazing Creativity & Hard Work in Humanities. • Jimmy Heinzlmeir for his Collaboration & Communication with the Building Challenge. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anisha Maan for her Artistry & Attention to Detail. • Wyatt Viste for his Unwavering Positive Attitude & Hard Work in LA & Science. 	



School Council's Corner

Meeting

The next School Council meeting is scheduled for March 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. All parents are welcome to attend.

Survey

Keep an eye out for a survey to parents from the School Board regarding the upcoming budget. As you are aware, the board will have to make some difficult decisions and is seeking feedback from parents about their priorities (this may go to your junk folder, so you might need to look there).

2021/2022

For those who like to plan far in advance, trustees have approved the 2021/2022 school calendar:

- School will start after Labour Day on September 7th, 2021.
- Winter break will start December 17th, 2021 and classes will resume January 3rd, 2022.
- Spring break will start April 15, 2022.



Let's Wear Pink!!!

Pink Shirt Day is scheduled for March 11th.



Talent Show

Our talent show will be held on February 26th.