



MAY/JUNE 2016 NEWSLETTER



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May

- 3 - Gr. 1/3 Free Swim
- 4 - Gr. 4 to C.W. Perry
Spirit Builder-Hats on for Mental Health Day
- 5 - Kinders to Butterfield Acres
- 19 - Spirit Builder - Western/Cowboy day
- 20 - Professional Learning Day/No school for students
- 23 - Victoria Day - No school
- 25 - 6:30 pm - 16/17
Kindergarten Parent Information Meeting
- 26/27 - Gr. 3s Building Birdhouses
- 30 - 12:30/6:30 pm - Gr. 4 Musical "Making the Band"
- 31 - 1P/1M/1B to Kamp Kiwanis and Gr. 2 to Cobb's Corn Maze

June

- 1 - 1R/1Mc/1H to Kamp Kiwanis
Gr. 4 with BCHS for track & field
- 7 - PM - Gr. 4s tour C.W. Perry
- 10 - All Library Books Due
- 15 - Gr. 3s to Zoo
- 28 - Last Day of Classes
Carnival in PM and Report Cards go Home!

Bell Times for Next Year

As of today, the start and end times for school next year will remain the same.

Grade 1-4

Monday-Thursday 8:05-2:45
Friday 8:05-1:15

Kindergarten AM

Monday-Thursday - 8:05-11:30

Kindergarten PM

Monday-Thursday - 12:10-2:45
and Friday from 8:05-11:30



INTRODUCING.....our new logo!

We are pleased to introduce our new logo, created just for Ralph McCall by Lorna Reynolds at Rocky View Schools. The graphic reflects our inclusive, cooperative community and, if you look closely, you can see a hidden r and m!

2016 READ-A-THON RESULTS

THANK YOU! This fundraiser was a huge success! We appreciate the efforts of our students, parents, and staff who worked together to raise \$20,0250.00! This money is being used to provide extra opportunities for our students that they may not otherwise be able to take advantage of.

PARENT COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & ELECTIONS

Please join us at the Parent Council annual general meeting on Wednesday, May 6th @ 7:00 pm where elections will be held. We encourage you to get involved and get first-hand information on what is being planned for our students.

CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR

Although teacher assignments are not yet confirmed for next year, parents who would like to offer a suggestion for class placements next year may do so, in writing, by June 6th. Please include an educational rationale for the request and send it to acraigie@rockyview.ab.ca Please be advised that while we do consider all parental input the final placement of students does lie with Administration.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our mentorship program is evolving. All year students from Bert Church High School have been coming to Ralph McCall every week as part of their leadership class. In partnership with Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Grade 11 & 12 students from BCHS have acted as mentors for over 30 of our students and have been an amazing asset at our school. This month we have added a new aspect to our program. Under the guidance of their teacher, Mrs. Sargent, 21 Grade 7 students in C.W. Perry's Bigs and Littles Option class will act as weekly mentors to 21 Grade 4 students. Big Brothers/Big Sisters is an active partner in this program as well and we have appreciated their input into the creation of this exciting new relationship between CWP and RMS.

This month we also started our final round of Rocky View Reads. Every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon, Grade 10 students from BCHS read to students in our afternoon Kindergarten and Grade 1 & 2 classes. On Thursday, Grade 8 students from CWP come over to read with our morning Kindergarten classes. Thanks to both schools, every Kindergarten student and over 60 students in Grades 1 & 2 have had their own reader as part of the Wee Reads program.





Cowboy/Western Day

May 19th



A fun filled afternoon to celebrate the end of a great school year!

Tuesday, June 28th after lunch!

VOLUNTEERS AT RALPH MCCALL

Thank you to all our volunteers at Ralph McCall. We appreciate all you do! We need the Vulnerable Sector Check on file if you would like to volunteer at school. Please contact the office for the form you need to take to the RCMP to start the process.

Replay - RVS Weekly News

Rocky View has a weekly newsletter, Replay, which shares information about Rocky View Schools and education. Replay is designed to appeal to staff, parents, school councils, and members of the community. Please consider subscribing to Replay via the following link on the RVS website <http://www.rockyview.ab.ca/publications/replay>



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LIKE BREAD?

Visit COBS on Main Street and help Support Ralph McCall!

Ralph McCall is registered with COBS Bread and will donate 5% from applicable yearly purchases back to our school! Students, staff and families of Ralph McCall simply tell COBS they are associated with our school and COBS will record the value of the purchase!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Our local Coop store will donate 1% of the total of all receipts to our school! Send your receipts in to the school office with your child and help us earn money for the school!



"Making the Band"

Grade 4 Musical - May 30th

12:30 - Dress Rehearsal 6:30 - Performance for Families

2016/2017 Kindergarten Parent Information Meeting

If you have registered a child for Kindergarten next year, please join us for an informational meeting about the Kindergarten program at Ralph McCall School on Wednesday May 25th @ 6:30 pm. This evening is for parents only - child care is not provided. An orientation for students will be held in September.

PLAYGROUND PARTICULARS

During school hours our playground is private property so please respect the rights of our students by not bringing your toddlers and or pets to play while it is in use. If you are on school grounds during school hours, please ensure that you have signed into the office to receive a Visitor ID.

Parent Satisfaction Survey

Rocky View Schools eighth annual Parent Satisfaction Survey is now open!

Parents have until May 31, 2016, to help Rocky View and its 46 schools shape their future by providing feedback into the jurisdiction's progress towards achieving the goals and outcomes outlined in its 2015-2019 Four Year Plan.

The survey contains 23 questions and will take no longer than 10 minutes to complete. Results of the survey will be published in School Annual Result Reports in November 2016, and be used to shape our decisions around the delivery of services to your child.

Please help us pave the way to meeting your child's educational needs. Please complete the survey now by using the following:

<https://www.rockyview.ab.ca/jurisdiction/satisfaction-survey>

Join the Conversation: Superintendent Search Survey

Rocky View Schools (RVS) Board of Trustees is beginning the process of recruiting a new Superintendent of Schools. A key component of this process is the opportunity for RVS parents, students, staff, and community members to share their input to help inform the Board's decision-making process when selecting a successful candidate.

The Board invites and encourages parents, students, staff, and community members to share their input through the online survey available at <http://fzf.thotex.com/asba/BbN>.

The survey asks:

What are the strengths of Rocky View Schools that the successful candidate will need to build upon?

What are the challenges facing Rocky View Schools, now and in the future, that the new Superintendent will need to address?

What key leadership qualities/competencies should the new Rocky View Schools' Superintendent possess in order to be effective in this role?

Powered by Thoughtstream and in coordination with the Alberta School Boards' Association (ASBA), the first phase of the survey, inviting your answers to these question, will be open from April 27 to May 8. The second phase, which gives you the chance to help prioritize the system's strengths, challenges, and leadership qualities, will be open from May 9 to 20, 2016.

Thanks in advance for your participation.