





I would like to begin this newsletter expressing the gratitude of having Nakoda Bus Lines running again! The students and staff are very grateful to be back together daily in face to face learning. We do want to see our attendance as close to 100% as possible. Please make sure to continue to do the COVID-19 ALBERTA HEALTH DAILY CHECKLIST (FOR CHILDREN UNDER 18) which is located at

https://www.alberta.ca/assets/documents/edc-covid-19-screening-questionaire-english.pdf to make sure that we keep as healthy as possible. If you do have any questions, please call 811 or Stoney Health Centre and they will direct you as to what you should do. Thank you so much! We are off to a wonderful re-entry! Let's keep it up!

Learning

Exshaw School is committed to developing fantastic lifelong learners. This begins with a strong foundation in literacy and numeracy. Please continue to encourage nightly reading practice and math practice, as this will help develop your child's skills! We want the very best for your children!

We have just completed conferences where each teacher has conducted a conference with the family and each child. Thank you to all the families that attended either through a Google meet or through a phone call. If you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher, to connect.

We have three months of school left and we do want them to be very impactful for your child. With a strong home and school connection, children can achieve great things! Let's do this together!

Breakfasts & Lunches

For the month of April to celebrate our students and families, both our breakfast and lunch programs will be FREE! We want to help out our families as much as we can. Breakfast and lunch are delivered to classrooms so that students may enjoy in their classrooms in a healthy and safe manner.

Spirit Days

Exshaw School is all about school spirit! We have already had two spirit days! We had a jersey day on March 10th and a pajama day on March 26th!



Staff Announcement

Exshaw School has some exciting news. Ms. Powell will continue for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year as the grade 4 teacher. Mrs. Mulligan will be back in August 2021. Also Ms. Bekar will be joining as the learning support teacher at Exshaw and Ms. Chisholm will be joining Elizabeth Rummel School. Both schools are very lucky!

IMPORTANT DATES:

- March 26 to Apr 11 NO
 SCHOOL (SPRING BREAK)
- Mon Apr 12 School Resumes
- Wed Apr 21 Public School Board Meeting at 7pm
- Fri Apr 23 Early Dismissal

Masks

We do want to say a big thank you for making sure that your child has a mask to ride the bus each day. This makes it so much



easier. We do really appreciate it! Wearing a mask for the bus ride is part of our re-entry plan and the bus drivers are making sure that the buses are being kept clean. Students are eating their lunches before they go home so that food is not being eaten on the bus.

Weather & Field Trips

With the changing weather patterns, please make sure that your child is prepared to enjoy the great outdoors. With living in the Canadian Rockies, it is best to be ready with **layers of clothing**.

Thanks so much for sending your child with the needed clothing. As well, we are trying to go out

on field trips

so please make sure and sign the permission forms as soon as possible for your child. Thank you so much!



Absences

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school at 403-673-3656 and leave a message on line one.



Elders & Knowledge Keepers

Did you know that we are increasing the number of Elders and knowledge keepers that are engaging with our students online? Our teachers and staff want to honour and embed the culture of our students within the curriculum they are teaching. It is amazing to see how quickly we have been adapt to this new way of teaching and learning!

Circle of Courage

At Exshaw School, we are continuing with our Circle of Courage philosophy. We are focusing on the theme of Independence. Why might we be focusing on this area you may be asking? We are asking students to make decisions, solve problems, and exhibit personal responsibility. All adults in the children's' lives are there to teach and provide feedback but children are given many opportunities to make their own personal choices. This helps build respect and self-discipline. We are all

encouraging our students to be confident, assertive, and responsible leaders. It's always interesting to ask your students whether they feel a sense of independence in their lives or if most decisions are made for them. By focusing on personal responsibility it helps students on their path to success.



Teacher Learning

Did you know that on the Early Out Fridays for students that teachers are involved in learning? As teachers we are focused on developing even stronger skills for teaching literacy and numeracy. We want to do the very best that we can for all our students all the time.

Thank You

Thank you to all our amazing students, families and staff at Exshaw School. Let's make these last three months of this school year fantastic with 100% attendance! We can do it!

Student Teacher

Did you know that Exshaw School is also a place where we have a lot of learning opportunities for teachers as well as students? Mr. Burr, is a student teacher is the grade kindergarten/grade one classroom who is finishing his final teacher placement on March 23rd. We have enjoyed having Mr. Burr and we wish him so much success as he ventures out into his very own classroom. Thank you to Mrs. Booth and the grade K/1 classroom for teaching and learning alongside Mr. Burr!

Registration for 2021-2022

Do you have a child who is not presently attending a CRPS school who you would like to register to attend Exshaw School for the 2021-22 school year (please note they must be turning 5 31, 2021 to register for kindergarten)?



Our online registration system is open!

 Go to <u>crps.ca/Registration.php</u> or click on on the homepage



- 2. Please read through the <u>user guide</u> on this page for how to complete the registration process.
- Then click on the green button if you already have children attending a CRPS school, or click the yellow button if you are new to CRPS:

Please refer to the PARENT ONLINE REGISTRATION USER GUIDE.

Please have your child's Birth Certificate ready to upload!





Please call the school (403-673-3656) if you have any questions about the registration process and/or logging into Parent Portal.

Yours in education, Nadine Dack-Doi (principal) Please follow our Exshaw School Facebook page, Twitter feed and website for updates:





