



Charlotte Small Elementary School CONNECTION

"Where Every Child Can Dream, Believe, and Achieve."

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May 2024

- 1 - Swimming for Grade 2
- 1 - Grade 6 Badminton Divisionals
- 6-10 - Mental Health Awareness Week**
- 6 - Swimming for ECSA
- 7 - Charlotte Small Air Band- *New Date
- 8 - Public Health Immunizations for Grades 1 and 6
- 8 - Deadline to order Group Photos with free shipping
- 9 - Fun Swim Grade 1 and 2
- 9 - Grade 4 Farm Tour Field Trip
- 13 - Swimming for ECSA
- 14 - Swimming for ECSB
- 14 - Kayaking for 6S
- 14 - Grade 4 Reynolds Museum Field Trip
- 15 - School / Parent Council Meeting 6:30pm
- 15 - Red Hot Science for Grade 4
- 16 - Dress as someone you admire!
- 16 - Red Hot Science for Grade 4
- 17 - No school for students
- 20 - No school for students
- 21 - Swimming for ECSB
- 21 - AHS Oral Health Day
- 22 - AHS Oral Health Day
- 22 - Swimming for 4H
- 23 - Track Meet
- 27 - Assembly @ 1:00 pm
- 27 - Swimming for ECSA
- 28 - Grade 6 Orientation at DT
- 28 - Swimming for ECSB
- 30 - PreK - Grade 2 Children's Festival Field Trip
- 31 - Swimming for 4C

Mental Health Awareness Week

May 6-9

Students will be participating in fun activities all week!

May 6:

- Write kind words on a 3D butterfly to display on gym windows
- Cloud watching (Bird Watching)

May 7:

- Fruit and Veggies provided for a healthy snack (all day)
- Whole school "The Floor is Lava!" in the gym 10:30 am
- Air Band 1:00 pm

May 8:

- Mixed grade groups literacy - buddy reading outside 10:20 am
- Bubble blowing 1:45 pm

May 9:

- Teddy bear picnic outside with icebreaker activity (children are welcome to bring their teddy bear to school) 12:00 pm
- Whole school dance video in the gym 1:45 pm

May 10:

- Hats on for Mental Health (Donation)
- Yoga outside 2:00 pm
- Ice cream (PAC - for read-a-thon)
- Last period outside (with Mrs. Kalev and Mrs. Heide) 2:50 pm

Supplemental and Back up activities (in case of poor weather) are planned and encourage movement, fueling your body, mindfulness, being grateful, and daily reflection.



PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

MAY 2024

Mental Health Awareness week in Alberta is May 6-10. This week, various activities will take place to give students some tools for supporting their own mental well-being, including bubble blowing, connecting with peers, cloud watching and mindful movement. Mental wellness plays a significant role in shaping a child's overall development, influencing their ability to learn, interact with others, and cope with life's challenges. With this in mind, I wanted to take a moment to emphasize the importance of prioritizing mental wellness and share some ideas that may be helpful to you.

First and foremost, communication is key. Encourage your child to express their thoughts and feelings openly and without judgment. Let them know that it's okay to feel a range of emotions and that seeking help when needed is a sign of strength, not weakness. If your child is struggling over time, consider making an appointment with a doctor who can be a great resource in managing more complex situations.

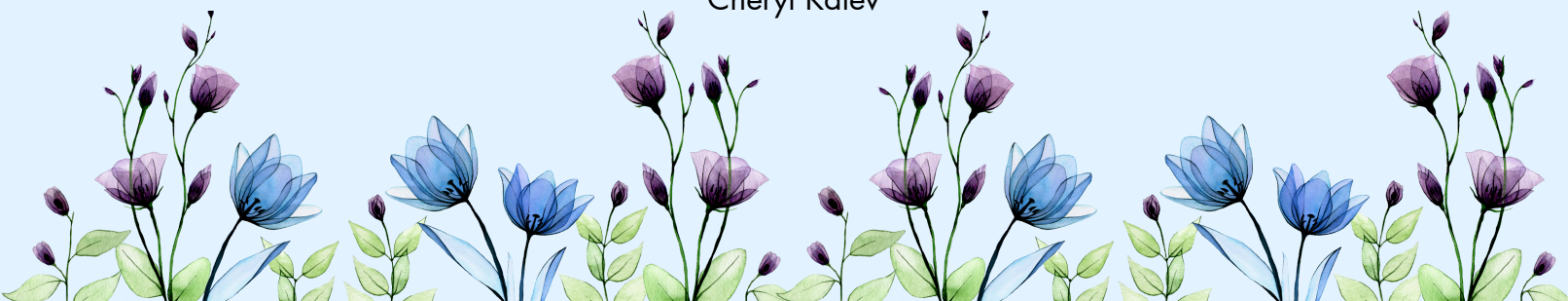
Additionally, establishing healthy habits can greatly contribute to mental well-being. Encourage your child to prioritize activities that promote relaxation and self-care, such as spending time outdoors, engaging in hobbies they enjoy, getting enough sleep, and maintaining a balanced diet.

At Charlotte Small School, our dedicated staff is committed to creating a safe and nurturing environment where every student feels seen, heard, and supported. We can also refer your family to community agencies who can also support parents who wish to explore options in this area.

As we work together to promote mental wellness, let's also lead by example. By prioritizing our own mental health and demonstrating healthy coping mechanisms, we can instill lifelong habits of self-care and resilience in our children.

P.S. It is also Teacher (and school staff) appreciation week in Alberta! I encourage you to reach out and give some positive words of encouragement to all of the great people dedicated to making Charlotte Small School the best that it can be.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Kalev



Parents, please check out this helpful resource - it is similar to a "manual book" for parents in navigating this ever-changing technology world with children. It talks about general parenting tips around tech and kids, popular apps, video games, social media, etc.:



<https://resources.saferschoolstogether.com/link/352883/i/>

Dress as
Someone
You Admire!
May 16



NEW DATE!
May 7, 2024



**TRACK
MEET
THURSDAY,
MAY 23**

**Track Meet BBQ for students is
available to purchase on SchoolCash Online**

Choices will be:

Combo #1 - Cheeseburger, Chips and a Drink - \$6

Combo #2 - Hot Dog, Chips and a Drink - \$5

(Drinks will be a choice of Juice, Pop or Water)



Parents can not buy items separately online, but will have to buy the whole combo.

Cut off day to order will be May 15th.

Parents and visitors can not pay for their lunch through SchoolCash, but can bring cash to the concession to purchase food that day. If students don't want the whole combo listed above, they too can purchase with cash that day and purchase only items they want.

Condor T-Ball & Soccer



Wednesday 5pm-6pm
(Beginning May 1st)
At Charlotte Small
Elementary School Field

This program is
free! We will run for
6 weeks weather
permitting,
alternating
between Soccer
and T-ball.



Ages 3-6

Please bring a
water bottle,
runners and ball
glove (for t-ball
nights)

Facebook: Condor T-Ball and Soccer
Shelby (403) 418-6230

RECREATIONAL SOCCER PROGRAM

NO COST- AGES 7-12

Wednesdays 3:30 -5:00pm @Charlotte
Small Elementary School
Running May 1st - June 12th

**CONTACT PROGRAM COORDINATOR
SHELBY SHORTNECK @403-418-6230
FOR QUESTIONS AND REGISTRATION**

If you would like to order a Whole School
Group photo and/or your Class Group photo,
you can receive free shipping to the school if
you order by:

May 8



Group Photos 2023-2024

Whole School Group and Class Photos

Your 2023-2024 Group Photos are now available to order!

Charlotte Small
Elementary School

View and Order Online

Go to [SmartPhotography.ca](https://www.smartphotography.ca)

Online Code:

CS_23-24_GP

Enjoy FREE shipping to school until May 8th, 2024!



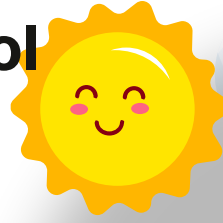
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Charlotte Small Elementary School

2024–2025



Pre-Kindergarten

Join us on a journey where every moment is a chance to learn, grow, and build lifelong friendships. Enroll your child in our Play-Based Pre-Kindergarten Program today and witness the magic of education come alive! Register early to guarantee a spot.

- ✓ Certified Teachers
- ✓ Play-based Education
- ✓ Early Intervention
- ✓ Developmentally Appropriate

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

click here to register your child



If you would like to contact the office via email instead of phoning, please email:

charlotte-small-contacts@wrsd.ca
instead of emailing individuals

Charlotte Small Elementary School

KINDERGARTEN

Registration

Now OPEN

**"WHERE EVERY CHILD CAN DREAM
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE"**



Will your child be 5
years old on or before
December 31, 2024?

Our Program :

- * Play-based
- * Hands-on
- * Access to early intervention
- * Language-rich literacy environment



Click here to register your child.

SWIMMING LESSONS

All students from ECS to Grade 5 have the opportunity to take Swimming Lessons in Rocky Mountain House this year.

Grade 6 Students will be taking kayaking lessons.

Please watch for complete information to be sent home from your child's teacher.

Cost to parents is available to pay on School Cash. If your student will not participate due to financial reasons, please contact the principal to make other arrangements.

On swim days, please send your child with a swimming suit, towel, bag for wet items, water bottle, and a snack.

Please contact your teacher if you are able to volunteer.

Swim Dates:

ECSA: May 6, 13, 27

Students will leave the school at 12:15 and return by 2:30.
Students will eat lunch at school before leaving.

Fun Swim on June 3

(DQ Lunch to follow on June 3)

ECSB: May 14, 21, 28

Students will leave the school at 12:15 and return by 2:30.
Students will eat lunch at school before leaving.

Fun Swim on June 4

(DQ Lunch to follow on June 4)

Grade 1: May 9 - Fun Swim with Grade 2

Grade 2: May 9 - Fun Swim with Grade 1

Grade 4: May 22 (4H) May 31 (4C), June 21 - Fun Swim

Grade 6S Kayaking: May 14

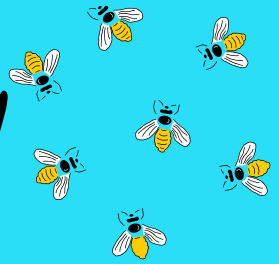


Athletic Calendar

Please check the athletics calendar **DAILY** as events can be cancelled at a moment's notice due to weather, custodial hours, staff availability, or school needs.



Congratulations!



• April Students of the Month •

ECS

Bostyn Bates
Kori Chambers
Royce Jackson
Everly Lightbown

Grade 2K

Lukas Weaver
Elijah Sztym

Grade 4C

Kash Hatala
Tucker Illingworth
Netheya Thomas
M.J. Walsh

Grade 5S

Brantley O'Neill
Maci Belrose
Marcel King
Hendrix Decoteau

Grade 1M

Branson Bates
Kyra Loomer
Graham Lowther

Grade 3

Mason Fisher
Ryker Moorey
Noah Sinclair
Kelsey Wakefield

Grade 4H

Grayson Illingworth
Kylie Sands
Brohden Crossey

Grade 6B

Brycen Schenk
Trey Marston

Grade 1/2L

Skylar Fielding
Madalynn Clough
Lochlan Lowther

Grade 6S

Wyatt Taylor



The Student/Parent Handbook is available to view on the Charlotte Small Elementary website. Check it out for all things school.



Make sure you are following us on Facebook- Charlotte Small Elementary School



**YOUTH
HQ**



**OPPORTUNITY
CHANGES
EVERYTHING**



**EVERY YOUTH DESERVES A SAFE
PLACE TO PLAY, LEARN, AND GROW.
BGC IS THAT PLACE.**



**BGC is now offering
fully licensed
childcare in Condor!**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION:
FANTASIAR@YOUTHHQ.CA
403-895-0242**

YOUTHHQ.CA

Volunteers needed

If you plan on volunteering for school field trips and events, please ensure your criminal record check is up to date and submitted to the office.

Criminal Record checks must be completed every three years.

In order to transport students (other than your own) to a school event, a 5-year driver's abstract must be submitted to the office every year.

Please contact the office for more information.



School Council meeting minutes are available on the Charlotte Small Elementary website.

Parent Council minutes are available to view any time at the school office.



Nut allergies are a serious concern for some of our students who have potentially life threatening allergies. We need your support and cooperation in making a reasonable effort to send food to school which does not contain nuts.

Please speak with your child about not sharing their food with other children. We will continue to ask our students to eat their lunches in their classrooms and to not take food outside.

**For all things busing
please call
Prairie Bus Lines @
403-845-4255**





ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE & AREA FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Please pre-register for all programming. Call/Text (403)845-6301 to register! 5340—59 Avenue (Lower Level, Back Entrance), RMH</p>			<p>1 Little Drumming Kids (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:00am</p>	<p>2 Play & Learn: Playdough (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11am</p>	<p>3 Play & Learn: Playdough (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:30am</p>	4
5	6 Park Play: Four Seasons Park (Age 0—6) 1:00pm—2:30pm	7 Connect Parenting 6pm—7:30pm	8 Play & Learn: Space (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:00am	9 Leslieville Hall Active Play (Age 0—6) 10am—11:30am	10 Play & Learn: Colors (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:30am	11
12	13 Nerf Night (Age 12—18) Rocky Public Library 6:30pm—8pm	14 Connect Parenting 6pm—7:30pm	15 Play & Learn: Farm Fun (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:00am Let's Taco 'bout It West Central High School 3:30—5pm	16 Play & Learn: Farm Fun (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11am	17 Play & Learn: Picnic Play (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:30am	18
19	20 	21 Connect Parenting 6pm—7:30pm	22 Play & Learn: Community Helpers (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:00am	23 Play & Learn: Community Helpers (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11am	24 	25
26	27 Park Play: McNutt Estates (Age 0—6) 1:00pm—2:30pm	28 Connect Parenting 6pm—7:30pm	29 Let's Taco 'bout It David Thompson High School 3:30—5pm	30 Play & Learn: Painting (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11am	31 Play & Learn: Transportation (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:30am	  Find us on Facebook



Little Drumming Kids


Family Resource Network

Try our Djembe & Tubano drums!

May 1
9:30am - 11:00am
Age 0 - 6

5340 - 59 Avenue
(Lower Level, Back Entrance), RMH

Call/Text (403) 845-6301 to register!



Family Resource Network presents

NERF NIGHT TEEN

May 13
6:30 - 8:00pm

Space Limited Registration Required

AGES 12 - 18
Rocky Public Library

Call/Text (403)845-6301 to register!



Family Resource Network

PARK PLAY

MAY 06 FOUR SEASONS PARK
1:00 - 2:30 PM

MAY 27 MCNUTT PLAYGROUND
1:00 - 2:30 PM

CALL/TEXT (403)845-6301 TO REGISTER!

Charlotte Small Parent Council

Newsletter

COMING UP!

- School/Parent council meeting May 15th
- Track Meet & BBQ Hot Lunch May 23rd
- NO HOT DOG DAY FOR MAY



READ-A-THON

Our Read-A-Thon was a HUGE success! Over the course of 22 days our school raised \$8,870.15! The participants read a combined total of 966 hours in 22 days! Here's one great big **THANK-YOU** to all the kids and families that helped this fundraiser succeed!

Track Meet Hot Lunch

This month's hot lunch will be a BBQ at Track Meet on May 23rd. BBQ hot lunch pre-orders will be available for purchase through school cash online for your child. A concession will also be running at lunch time during track meet for those that miss the pre-order and for staff and parents watching events. Menu to follow.



Volunteer Call

We need volunteers for the upcoming Track Meet concession on May 23rd. Volunteers will take shifts so we can all enjoy watching our kids participate! Please contact Allison Casey (403-598-5266) if you can help out!

Fundraising Supports our Kids!

Here are just some of the fantastic activities, events and items our fundraising has helped support. Thanks to all our parents who have helped raise funds over the years! Without you, we wouldn't be able to provide so many fun extras for our kids!



- *Funds for extra-curricular bussing
- *Chromebooks/Ipads
- *Subsidized swimming lessons Gr. K-6
- *Field Trips
- * Quest and Cornerstone Theater
- *Sports Jerseys
- * Ski trips
- * Coach Bussing



- *Snack / Fruit Cupboard for students
- *Alien In-line indoor skating
- *Extra curricular classes
- *Gym/Recess Equipment
- *Teacher Appreciation
- *Classroom Extras (microwaves, books, games ect)
- *Literacy Program

NOW
THAT →
IS SERIOUSLY
EPIC

All fundraising dollars go directly back to supporting our children in Charlotte Small Elementary School.

