



# Charlotte Small Elementary School CONNECTION

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

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<https://charlottesmall.wrsd.ca>



## HELLO January 2025:

- 6 - First Day of Classes after Winter Break
- 8 - Grade 5 Swimming 9:30 - 12:00
- 9 - Deadline to purchase Hot Dog Lunch
- 10 - Grade 6 Swimming 12:00 - 2:30
- 15 - Hot Dog Lunch (for those that ordered)
- 15 - Grade 5 Swimming 9:30 - 12:00
- 16 - School/Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- 17 - Grade 6 Swimming 12:00 - 2:30
- 22 - Grade 5 Swimming 9:30 - 12:00
- 23 - Spirit Day: "Twin Day"
- 24 - Grade 6 Swimming 12:00 - 2:30
- 29 - Grade 5 Swimming 9:30 - 12:00
- 30 - Assembly @ 1:00 pm
- 30 - Hot Lunch (for those that ordered)
- 31 - No school for students



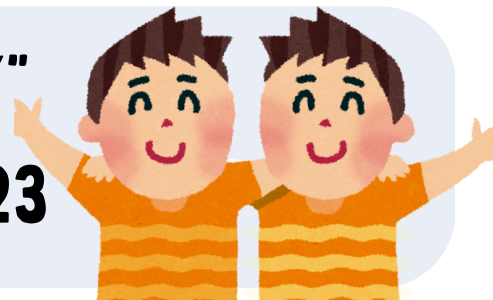
Children go outside for recess unless the windchill is colder than -25 degrees Celcius.

**Please ensure your child is dressed properly to be outside, including toques, mitts and snow pants.**

When buses do not run due to cold weather, schools always remain open. **Schools do not expect parents to transport children to school on these days** but they may choose to do so if they can travel safely.

**If busses do not run in the morning, they will not run in the afternoon either**, so parents must be able to pick up at the end of the day if they drop off in the morning.

## "TWIN DAY" JANUARY 23



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.

# Principal Message

## January 2025

### Happy New Year!

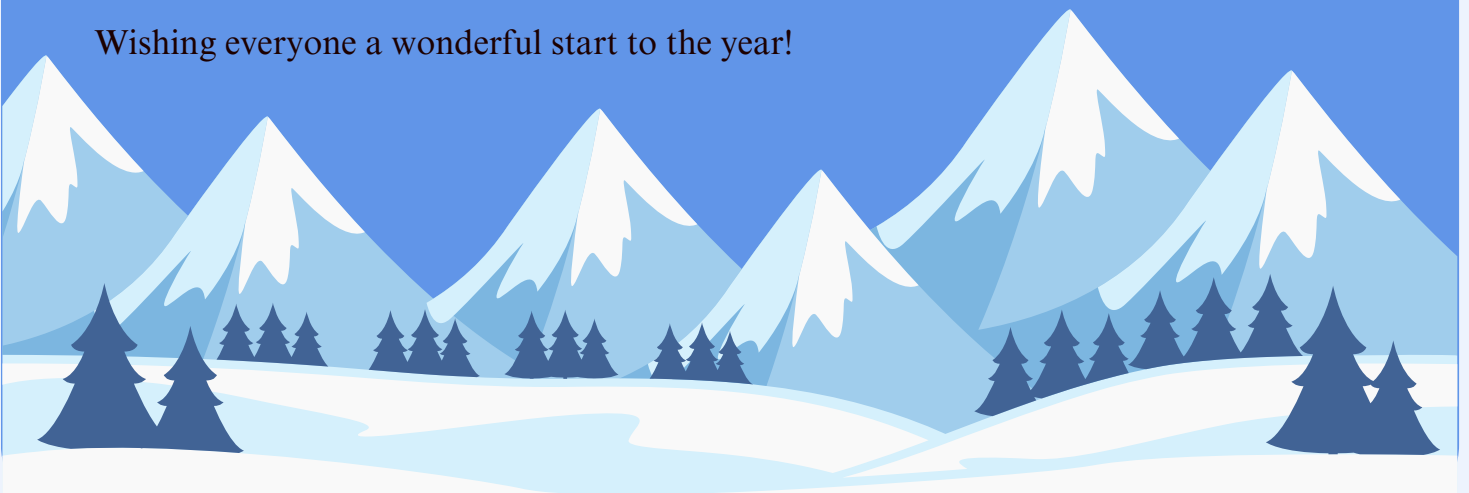
I hope you all had a restful and joyful holiday break. As we begin 2025, I want to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful progress our students have made so far this year. It has been a pleasure to watch them grow academically, socially, and emotionally, and I am excited for all the learning and achievements that await us in the months ahead.

January is a time for new beginnings, and we will continue to encourage our students to set goals, embrace challenges, and work together as a community. This month, we will focus on the importance of perseverance and positive thinking, reminding students that each day is an opportunity to learn something new and make a difference.

As we continue to integrate technology into our learning, it's important to emphasize the role of digital citizenship. In today's world, our students are constantly engaging with digital tools, and it's essential that they understand how to use them responsibly. We are teaching our students how to navigate online spaces safely, communicate respectfully, and protect their personal information. Digital citizenship also includes fostering empathy and kindness in all online interactions, helping to create a positive and supportive digital community. Parents are encouraged to continue to have these conversations with their children at home also.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support in helping our school thrive. We look forward to a fantastic second half of the school year, filled with discovery, growth, and success.

Wishing everyone a wonderful start to the year!





## Athletic Calendar

The athletics calendar is updated to include some basketball practices.

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.

**GO HAWKS GO!!**



It's  
THE  
Season  
FOR HOT  
Cocoa

## SWIMMING LESSONS

Students have the opportunity to take Swimming Lessons in Rocky Mountain House this year. Complete packages have been sent home to **Grade 5 and Grade 6 only** at this time (other grades to follow).

Cost to parents is \$25 per student for 6 trips to the pool, and 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.



### Grade 5 Swim Days:

January 8, 15, 22, 29

February 5 & 12

Depart school at 9:30 am, Return by 12:15. Students will eat lunch when they return to the school.



### Grade 6 Swim Days:

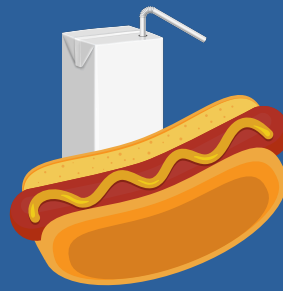
January 10, 17, 24

February 7 & 14

Depart school at 12:15 pm, Return by 2:45 pm. Students will eat lunch before they leave the school.



For all things busing  
please call  
**First Student Busing @**  
**403-843-6161**

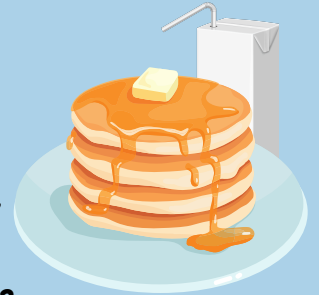


**Hot Dog Day**  
**January 15, 2025**

Available to purchase  
on School Cash Online until  
January 9

**Hot Lunch**  
**January 30, 2025**  
**Pancakes & Sausage**

available to purchase on  
School Cash Online until January 23



# Skating Continues at Charlotte Small!

## When children are skating:

- All children must wear a helmet (hockey or bike) that fits correctly.
- All children must wear warm gloves or mitts.
- K-3 must wear snow pants
- If hockey is permitted during certain times, students must wear a face mask.
- Please make sure your child's name or initials are on everything!
- Hockey sticks are permitted at school but are not allowed to go on the bus.



*Thank  
you!*

Cory Pittendreigh and the Condor Fire Department for  
flooding the Condor rink!



# Ski Trips are Coming...

Watch for more details about upcoming ski trips:  
Grades 5&6 to Nakiska, and Grades 3&4 to Canyon



# When picking your children up early....



As much as possible, please make your “end of school” plans in the morning, and communicate to your child before they come to school. Please write in your child’s agenda to communicate those plans to your child’s teacher.

We understand that all families are busy and have activities, and that sometimes, you have to pick kids up early!

When this happens, please keep the following in mind:

When you come to the school for early pick-up, **please wait at the office for your student.** Our school is open-concept in design, and we try to keep "traffic" in the halls to a minimum to limit distractions as much as possible.

When plans must change throughout the day, please try to call the school prior to 2:30.



*Charlotte Small Staff  
sends a heartfelt*

*thank you*

*to our amazing parent council for the  
Staff Appreciation Lunch on  
December 13!*



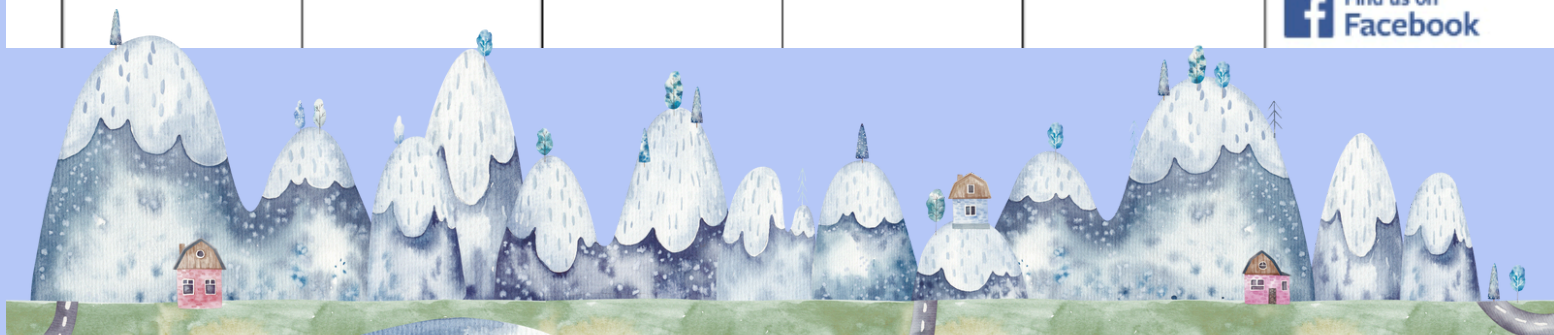
# JANUARY

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE & AREA FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK




Family  
Resource  
Network

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Please pre-register for <u>all</u> programming (except Baby Play). Call/Text (403)845-6301 to register! 5340—59 Avenue (Lower Level, Back Entrance), RMH</p>		<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Play &amp; Learn: Playdough (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:30am</p> <p>Play &amp; Learn: Playdough (Age 0—6) 1:00—2:30pm</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Baby Play! **Drop In** (Age 0—2) 9:30am—11:00am</p> <p>Play &amp; Learn (Age 0—6) 12:30—2:30pm</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Messy Play (Age 0—6) Immanuel Lutheran Playschool 9:30am—11:00am</p> <p>Play &amp; Learn (Age 0—6) 2:00—4:00pm</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Baby Play! **Drop In** (Age 0—2) 9:30am—11:00am</p> <p>Nerf Night Teen (Age 12—18) Rocky Public Library 6:30—8:00pm</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Condor Hall Active Play (Age 0—6) 10am—11:30am</p> <p>Little Drumming Kids (Age 0—6) 2:00—4:00pm</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Play &amp; Learn (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:30am</p> <p>Krafty Kids (Age 2—6) 1:00—2:00pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Play &amp; Learn: ASQ (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:30am</p> <p>Play &amp; Learn: ASQ (Age 0—6) 1:00—2:30pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Music &amp; Movement (Age 0—6) 9:30am—11:00am</p> <p>Junk Journals (Age 9+) 4:00pm—5:30pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Let's Play Saturday! (Age 0—6) 9:30am—12:30pm</p>
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Family Resource Network PRESENTS



**NERF NIGHT TEEN**

AGE 12 - 18  
JANUARY 13

6:30 - 8:00pm

Rocky Public Library  
4922 - 52 Street, RMH

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



Family Resource Network

**Let's Play Saturday!**

January 18  
9:30am - 12:30pm

5340 - 59 Ave (Lower Level),  
Rocky Mtn House

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

Family Resource Network

**Play & Learn:**



**ASQ**  
Ages & Stages Questionnaires

January 16  
9:30am - 11:30am  
and  
1:00pm - 2:30pm



**DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING**


- COMMUNICATION
- PROBLEM SOLVING
- FINE & GROSS MOTOR

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

Family Resource Network

**Junk Journals**

January 17  
Age 9+  
4:00 - 5:30pm



Make your own Junk Journal. Get creative and make a journal to record your thoughts, ideas & memories!

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

Family Resource Network

**CONDOR HALL PLAY GROUP**

January 7      January 14  
January 21    January 28

**TUESDAYS,  
10AM - 11:30AM**



Join us for Coffee

Family Resource Network

**Home Alone Safety Course**

JANUARY 31  
1 PM - 3 PM  
AGE 7 - 10



PROVIDE YOUR KIDS WITH THE SKILLS TO INCREASE THEIR PERSONAL SAFETY.

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