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We would like to welcome Erin Machell to Reed Ranch as our Principal starting in September. A letter of an introduction was sent out yesterday. We look forward to having her join our school in the fall.

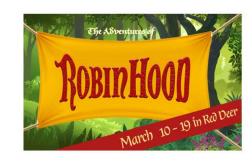
We wish you all a Happy Easter and hope you enjoy the Spring Break with your family.

The Self Managed Team.



We ask that all school fees are paid by Thursday, April 27. All unpaid accounts will be sent to collections.

Thank you to our parent council for the field trip to see Robin Hood. A great time was had by all!





It is important to make sure that your child has a water bottle and utensils in their lunch kit for meals. The school does not provide these extras.

Thank you

# **Division News**

... for parents and guardians

#### April 2023



## Dual credit is a powerful program for students

- A message from Superintendent Kurt Sacher

Did you know... A student who enrolls in a dual credit course is almost 100% guaranteed to graduate?

As Chinook's Edge looked back over the last decade of students who participated in dual credit opportunities, our records show that almost all of these students graduated. We knew dual credit was going well, but when we discovered this data we were thrilled!

#### What is dual credit?

Dual credit allows high school students to enroll in a course through a post-secondary institution and receive credit for that course "dually": at the post secondary level and at high school. Dual Credit programming provides career pathway experiences as students explore various career learning through these courses. We offer:

- Various skilled trades experiences with early introduction to trades courses
- Pre-employment Certification in Welding and Heavy Equipment Technician
- Student career training in the area of animal sciences with the offering of the Veterinary Technical Assistant Certificate
- Dual credit single course experiences: exploration of careers in business, sports management, animal sciences, horticulture, health care, hospitality, and agriculture technology

The goal of dual credit is to provide students with skills and experience necessary to transition successfully to post-secondary learning for their career of choice learning. We want students to leave high school engaging in the career pathway that they are passionate about. About 490 Chinook's Edge students enrolled in dual credit this year.



Veterinary Tech - dual credit students

Why does dual credit have an impact on graduation? There are two main reasons this program is having such a positive impact:

- 1. We have found that students who participate in dual credit gain motivation. They might hear, for instance, from a post-secondary instructor that a certain mark or a specific course is needed to progress in a career. Students are telling us this direct connection to careers makes their schooling more purposeful to them. As well, students find that their overall high school achievement increases as they better understand how important the skills of math, science and communication are for them in their future career.
- Direct support from a caring adult. The structure of the dual credit
  program means a staff member will directly support individual students
  through advising and coaching to ensure the experience is successful.
  The influence of these staff members in a 'shepherding' type of role
  contributes significantly to student success.

In Chinook's Edge "Career Connections" is one of our three major priorities. Dual credit is just one high leverage strategy to help students transition into future careers. Please connect with your school for more information.

To read the latest version of the Board e-News, please click here.

Kurt Sacher



# Fun times around the school.....

























### Ms. Tetzlaff's Kindergarten/Grade 1 & 2 Class

#### Kindergarten:

Language Arts: we will continue to work in our printing books, learning the letters/sounds associated with the alphabet as well as continuing to learn about rhyming. Typically by the end of our kindergarten year your child should be able to recognize and generate rhyming words. Rhyming is an important component of phonological awareness and reading.

- -practice generating rhymes/ Play Rhyme Games
- -https://www.scholastic.com/parents/books-and-reading/raise-a-reader-blog/3-best-rhyme-games-kids.html

<u>Numeracy:</u> We are working on number sense through counting, recognizing, printing, sorting and making sets with numbers 0-10. For the next few months students will be learning about money. We will have students explore and communicate that money has features to represent its value.

<u>Social Studies:</u> We will continue learning about "My Community" as well as learning ways they can care for the Earth as well as the concepts of reduce, reuse and recycle.

#### Grade 1/2 class:

Language Arts: We will be working on a number of different activities to continue to develop reading and writing skills. Teaching students at a young age to write improves their reading skills by helping them recognize the connection between the letters they see and the sounds the letters make. I encourage my students to try and read every day using sight words, read-at-home books, library books or books from home for at least 10-15 minutes a day. Daily home reading is one of the best ways to help your child improve their reading ability. Please continue to practice the sight words on a regular basis, they are essential to your child's reading fluency. It is so wonderful to read with our students and see their progress.

<u>Math:</u> We are continuing to strengthen our math skills and understanding. Grade 1's are continuing to learn the basic addition and subtraction facts to 20 and practicing story problems. Grade 2's will continue to practice adding/subtraction skills and focusing with regrouping. Both grades will continue to practice skip counting by 1, 2, 5 and 10.

With the warmer weather and snow melting...we have puddles and wet playground areas. Please ensure your child brings rain pants or protective clothing to keep them from getting wet outside during recess.

Enjoy the month of April with the beautiful Spring weather and have a wonderful Easter Holiday!

Ms. Tetzlaff

#### Learning More in 3 and 4!



**Language Arts:** We will be looking at poetry and using figurative language to make our writing shine!

**Math:** We will be learning about division. Grade 3 will be learning the basics of division and basic facts. Grade 4's will be learning division facts and long division.



**Social Studies:** We are looking at the celebrations of Ukraine! We will be doing a special Easter unit focusing on Ukraine and making our version of pysanky eggs!

**Science:** We will be continuing to look at light and shadow in our new unit. We will be creating short shadow puppet plays!



## March 2023 Mr. Seidel's Grades 4/5/6.

#### Language Learning 5/6.

- Reader's Theater.

Reading - RAZ kids.

- Creative Writing.

Grade 6 practice achievement tests

- Narrative story.
- News story.

Grade 5 - Creative writing story.

- Cursive Writing - T, U, and V.

#### Science 5/6.

#### Air and Aerodynamics and Flight unit.

Activities that involve air.

Things that fall through the air.

Hot air balloons.

Paper airplanes.

Planes and helicopters.

#### Social Studies 5/6.

#### Democracy

- Ancient Greek democracy.
- Iroquois Confederacy.

#### Math 5/6.

Grade 5.

Shape and Space (Part 1) Measurement Unit.

Unit Test on Thursday.

Shape and Space (Part 2) – 3 D objects and 2 D shapes.

Grade 6. Shape and Space

Part 4 – Transforming shapes and graphing.

Probability and Statistics.

#### Art 5/6.

- spring flowers and abstract art.



#### French 4/5/6

- Animals - pets and wild.



#### **Highway Cleanup.**

Highway cleanup is coming up on the <u>first Saturday in May</u> – **May6th**. We need as many people as we can to help out. This is money that helps fund the grade 4/5/6 outdoor education field trip to Camp Evergreen. The Camp Evergreen outdoor trip will take place on the week after the long weekend in May. It will be for Wednesday, May 24th, Thursday May 25th, and Friday May 26th. <u>Parents that participate in the highway cleanup</u> will be given priority for attending Camp Evergreen and students that help with highway cleanup will also be given incremental discounts on the cost for Camp Evergreen if the fund does not cover all the costs. Information about the camp will be going out after the Easter Break. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the school. Thanks. Mr. Seidel.

#### PAT (Provincial Achievement Test) schedule for Grade 6 students.

May 17th. Wednesday. Language Arts Part A Writing component.



June 22th. Thursday. Math Part A.

June 23rd. Friday. Math Part B. **NOTE: Students will need to be brought to school by parents in order to write this part of the Math PAT.** 

June 26th. Monday Social Studies.

June 27th. Tuesday. Science.







Ella R. in Grade Six on April 5

Rhen L. in Grade 3 on April 9

Julea L. in Grade Six on April 15

Danica A. in Grade Six on April 16

Riley V. in Grade One on April 21

Mrs. Schafer on April 22

Austin H. In Grade One on April 27 and Charlie Boffey in Grade 4 on April 29

# Mark your calendars for Highway Clean Up May 6.

May Highway Clean up will be here soon. We will meet in the gym at 8:30. Children must be 9 yrs and older to help in ditches. We will need as many people as we can have to help out. After the work is completed please join us for a hot dog lunch back in the gym.

This money is what pays for Camp Evergreen for Gr. 4/5/6 so we'll see you there!



May 7, 2023
Holy Trinity Catholic Church
Registration starts 8:45 a.m.
Welcome Ceremonies: 9:30 a.m.
Start: 10:00 a.m.
Rain or Shine

Run, Walk, or Wheel along trails in Olds 1 km or 5 km For more information call Mary Smith 403-415-9850



We invite you to join us! Reed Ranch FunTeam is a baseball & soccer group for ages 4-8 and 9-14, running on Thursday evenings from 3:30pm-5:15pm, April 20 - June 15 (-May 25). It is a low commitment, low cost but high fun way to learn the basics of the sports! Cost of registration is \$10/child (unless you have previously registered with FunTeam Alberta in the last year) and Reed Ranch t-shirts are available for \$15 each. Preferred method of payment is E-transfer

(reedranchfunteam@gmail.com). Cash will be accepted also.
Registration is limited and we anticipate it to fill up quickly.

Parents arrive for pickup 5:00pm

Visit <a href="https://register.funteamalberta.com/event/154">https://register.funteamalberta.com/event/154</a> to register. If you have any questions call/text Merissa Penner @ 403-559-8928 or Christa Duquette @ 403-507-1267. Or email us at reedranchfunteam@gmail.com.

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Kindergarten Registrations are open for the 2023-2024 school year. Your child must be 5 years old by December 31, 2023. Please click on the Registration link to fill out the registration form.



# **APRIL 2023**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturda y
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	<b>5</b> Parent/Teacher Interviews	6 Hot Dog Day Slipper Day	<b>7</b> Good Friday - No School	8
9	10  Easter Monday - No School	11 Spring Break- No School	Spring Break- No School	Spring Break- No School	14 Spring Break- No School	15
16	17	18  K-2 Dental  Visit	19	20 Hot Dog Day Fun Team Starts	21 RR Non-School Day	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 RR Non-School Day	29
30	1	2	3	4 Round Up published Hot Dog Day	5	6 Highway Clean Up