



June 1. 2021

Principal's Message

During the month of May our school practiced gratitude. Studies show that expressing gratitude is great for our mental health. I would like to get in some mental health practice by saying a huge thank you to our community of parents for the support and understanding which have been extended to the staff. It is greatly appreciated to know we have had you working with us during this challenging school year.

Linda Simmonds



Dates to Remember

- June 3 Mental Health Day
- June 21 National Indigenous Peoples Day
- June 29 Last Day of School for Students
- June 29 Report Cards Released in PowerSchool
- June 30 Professional Development Day-No school for students

Copperhaven Play Ground during School Hours

In our efforts to be as safe as possible PE classes have been encouraged to be outside when weather permits. Additionally, classes are working hard to only cohort with their homeroom. We do not wish to create new cohorts with families who may be arriving at the school when classes are still in session so we ask that you wait to play on our playground and equipment until after 3:45. Many thanks for your respect for this request.

Scooters, Skateboards and Bikes

In 2002, in Alberta a law was passed that requires anyone under the age of 18 must wear a helmet when riding a bicycle. The fine for not wearing a helmet is \$155. The fine for wearing a helmet that is not CSA - compliant is \$93. Please make sure that your child is following the helmet laws if they are riding their bike to school.

Copperhaven K - 6 Field Day

Students in Kindergarten through Grade 6 will have the opportunity to participate in an outdoor Field Day activity day in the coming weeks. This year, Field Day will look a bit different than it has in the past because we need to adhere to the COVID protocols in place. Students will be participating in fun outdoor activities together with their grade level, while remaining in class cohorts and with increased sanitizing and physical distancing. Unfortunately, due to COVID, we are unable to welcome parent volunteers to help or watch this year. Classroom teachers will be communicating specific Field Day dates with parents, so stay tuned!

Copperhaven Covid-Adjusted Grade 7-9 Mini-Track Day

Work is underway to organize a modified Track Day for our students in grades 7-9. Events will be those that can be held within our own school site and with limited sharing of equipment, physical distancing and other Covid measures. It will be a great half day for students to demonstrate their track event skills. The date has been tentatively set for Friday, June 18th.

Grade Nine Farewell Celebration

On the morning of June 29th we will be sending our grade nines off to the next part of their educational journey...high school! We have a special morning planned for them with all of the appropriate COVID restrictions in place. In the absence of our ability to invite parents and guests to the event we are working on a format to share it all with families. Stay tuned for more information. Lunch will be provided.

Mental Health Wellness Day - June 3

A message from the Minister of Education:

As we move through this pandemic, mental health and wellness in our school communities is top-of-mind. The resilience and fortitude shown across our province and especially in our schools has been evident. I thank you for everything you have done and continue to do to support the well-being of students and staff.

In recognition of this and the continued need to build our collective capacity to support mental health and well-being, I invite students, teachers, support staff, parents, administrators and Board members to come together on Thursday, June 3, 2021, to participate in Mental Wellness Day for Schools—with the theme 'Take care of yourself and each other'. I invite you to mark this day in your calendar and <u>visit the website</u> for detailed information, including the agenda.

Activities include:

- · inspirational messages by public figures such as country singer Brett Kissel and former NHL player and advocate Sheldon Kennedy
- engaging sessions by Alberta Health Services, Ever Active Schools, Jack.org and the College of Alberta School Superintendents; and
- key learnings from speakers such as Dr. Jody Carrington and Dr. Michael Ungar.

Online events, of about one hour each, have been designed for specific audiences: Kindergarten to Grade 3; Grades 4 to 6; Grades 7 to 12; school staff; administrators; and parents. There will also be a live kick-off session in the morning for everyone. To make sure this event fits into busy school schedules, teachers may choose to have their classes view a session live or, in many cases, watch them online for up to two weeks later.

A detailed description of the events, along with times, links and promotional materials, is available <u>on the website</u>. I encourage you to share these events widely with students, staff and parents so we may come together as a community in support of mental wellness. Please share the attached poster as well.

As always, please know that if a child or youth needs someone to talk to, they may reach the Kids Help Line at 1-800-668-6868 or by texting 686868 (but call 911 if in crisis). They may also access online resources at <u>The Alberta COVID-19 Youth Mental Health Resource Hub</u>.

Thank you for your continued commitment in supporting the mental health and well-being of our school communities.

Sincerely,

Adriana LaGrange Minister of Education

Update from your Parent Council

Our next meeting will be taking place virtually Wednesday June 16 @ 6:30 p.m. For anyone wishing to attend please email the school and a link to the meeting will be sent to you.

Our AGM will be held as part of our September meeting. We will be looking to fill various positions so if you are interested and would like more information please reach out to us either through email at copperhaven.scchair@psd70.ab.ca or our Facebook Group.

Your School Council

Sean, Amy, Kim, Shayna, and Erin.

TBRA Update

Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts during this very challenging year. We are hopeful that restrictions are lifted and we can offer more fundraisers in the 2021/2022 school year.

We need you!!

Our AGM is on Wednesday, October 6th and positions need to be filled. Some Board Members have fulfilled a 4 year term, and as per our Bylaws, will not be allowed to seek re-election. If you would like to see pizza days, the Holiday Gift Shop, and other favorite fundraisers, return to Copperhaven, please consider getting involved. (Location of meeting to be announced in September).

If you need to contact us, please send us an email theboundaryridge@gmail.com

Manie Musicale 2021

By: Madame Krefting

This past March and April, students in grades 6 - 9 participated in *Manie Musicale 2021*. Manie Musicale provides students with an opportunity to experience French culture through current French music created by various Francophone artists. These artists include GIMS, Keen'V, Stéphane Legar and French Canadian artist, Amay Laoni. Students listened to the 16 songs, selected which songs they felt would move onto the next rounds and an overall winner for their bracket. Each class we listened to two songs and voted on who we liked the best and gave our opinions as to why we liked or did not like each song. The students who had the most points at the end of the competition won prizes including a gift card for the overall winner at each grade level. The winners of *Manie Musicale 2021* were:

Grade 6:



Olivia J.

Sarah H.



Grade 7:



Savannah V.

Lacey R.

Jax M.

Grade 8:









Katie S.

Malachi R.

Yasmin B.

Shaelynn F.





Félicitations à tous et à toutes! We are looking forward to participating again next year!