

# Copperhaven School

## Newsletter



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### Principal's Message

Welcome to 2022 with much needed warmer weather allowing students to be outside getting some fresh air and outdoor activity time. We are once again facing the challenges of this pandemic with optimism and a continuing commitment to student learning. We are working hard to manage reporting of positive covid cases, isolation, and homework with limited Alberta Health service. We ask for your continued patience and understanding as we work to keep everyone safe.

This newsletter is arriving late due to staff shortages. Please accept my apologies.

**Linda Simmonds**

### Dates to Remember

- January 19 Virtual School Council Meeting 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- January 27 Family Literacy Day
- January 31 PSD Professional Development Day-no school for students

### Family Literacy Day

Family Literacy Day takes place every January 27th to raise awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in literacy activities as a family. Click on the link below for ideas and information.

[ABC Life Literacy](#)

### Covid Updates

Isolation, masking and quarantine guidelines have been changing, sometimes day by day. Please refer to Alberta Government websites and Parkland School Division's website for the most up-to- date information.

### COVID-19 Isolation Requirement Changes

As we settle back into our daily routines following the Winter Break, we'd like to draw your attention to some changes to the provincial health measures that will have a direct impact on schools. These changes are summarized in the Division's updated [Stay at Home Guide](#). Please keep your child home if they are ill so we can all do our part to keep our school community healthy, safe and so we can remain open.

As more of the general population becomes fully vaccinated, this will play a factor in how soon your child may return to school following a legally required isolation due to a positive COVID-19

test. Fully vaccinated individuals only need to isolate for 5 days or until symptoms resolve, whichever is longer. **PLUS** a new measure includes 5 days of wearing a mask at all times when around others at school. This will mean students will have to eat in an alternate location when they need to take masks off. We can work with families to help facilitate this upon a student's return to class. Those partially vaccinated or not vaccinated students remain legally required to isolate for 10 days or until symptoms resolve, whichever is longer, before returning to school.

#### [Isolation and Quarantine Requirements](#)

For all the latest including links to the latest Guidance for Schools, please visit the PSD [COVID-19 Info page](#).

#### **[Rapid Tests and Medical Grade Masks](#)**

A survey was sent to all Copperhaven School families to record which families wish their child/ren to receive rapid tests and/or medical grade masks. With over 750 students in our school it will take some work to sort the tests and masks and distribute them to our students. The masks and tests were delivered to the school around 1:00 on Friday afternoon. Staff worked diligently to package and deliver to classrooms as many as we were able before students were dismissed. Grade 8 and 9 students along with our kindergarten classes who were not in attendance at school on Friday will receive their materials on Monday. If you have not yet completed the survey or completed it late on Friday your child's materials will be distributed as we gather the survey data. If students are absent, materials will be held by the homeroom teacher for distribution upon the child's return.

#### **[Parent Teacher Interviews](#)**

The second set of Parent Teacher Interviews for this year will be on February 7 and 8 from 4:30-7:30. Interviews will be virtual online events again this time. Please watch your inbox for information on signing up for interviews and the link.

#### **[Overdue Library Books](#)**

Does your child have library books at home that were borrowed before Winter Break? If so they are overdue. Please help your child remember to get them back to the library as soon as possible.

#### **[Basketball Season](#)**

Our Junior A and Senior Basketball teams are practicing and playing games now that we have returned from Winter Break. Copperhaven School is live streaming home games so that families can watch from home. Just click on the YouTube link on the Copperhaven School website and the game will be the first video listed.



### Update from your Parent Council

This month's council meeting on January 19th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. will be a virtual event. Please email the school to receive your link to the meeting.

You school council,

Sean, Amy, Chantelle, Jacqueline, and Brianne

