

Fireside Focus

Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors

The Week Ahead ~ May 20 to May 27

Upcoming Events at a Glance

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday, May 24		Divisional Track & Field Meet (Grade 8's)
Friday, May 20		Professional Learning Day (no school)
Monday, May 23		Victoria Day (no school)
Thursday, May 26		Last day to Opt <i>Out</i> of Healthy Hunger (see below)
Thursday, June 2		Healthy Hunger (Panago)
Thursday, June 9		Volunteer Appreciation Tea (see below)



Hello, families and friends of Fireside!

This week was an eventful one at Fireside School. On Wednesday, our Grade 7 Track & Field Team went to Airdrie for their first track meet and the grade 6 students wrote their first Provincial Achievement Test assessment. Thursday saw the grade 8 Track & Field Meet rescheduled for next Tuesday, given the weather; however, we know the team will be revved up and ready to roll for their events next week! Fireside hosted its Spring Concert, which saw students performing their hearts out and families welcomed into the building to watch the performances: what a lovely way to end our week together! Many thanks to Mr. Petterson and Mr. Chung for all of their hard work in putting together the concert. We would also like to thank Mr. Clarence "Skip" Wolfleg Jr., of the Siksika First Nation for providing our students an opportunity to drum with him and for sharing his wisdom and experience with us.



Wishing everyone a safe and lovely long weekend!

[NEW: Healthy Hunger](#)

The next “Fun Lunch” will be on Thursday, June 2nd, and will be Panago. May 29th will be the last date to order (or change an order) for the June 2nd date. Healthy Hunger has again included an option at the bottom of the menu so that, in addition to ordering a meal, families can choose to donate a meal. The funds from the donated meals will then be used to support the purchase of extra meals as needed.

Please contact the school at fireside@rockyview.ab.ca by Thursday, April 26th, to confirm if you do **not** wish to participate in “Fun Lunch” this time around. If you have not contacted the school to let us know that you are choosing not to participate in “Fun Lunch” this month, there will be extra cheese pizzas available for those students whose families might have forgotten to order or did not place an order for any reason.

[Click here to place your order](#)

[NEW: This week's Fireside Artwork and Math-Art](#)





[UPDATED: Volunteer Appreciation Tea](#)

Have you volunteered your time to help out in a classroom, on a field trip, with a sports team, or in any other way in our school? We want to show our appreciation for the amazing volunteers who support Fireside! We've made a slight tweak to our earlier plan and will be hosting a tea with snacks and treats on Thursday, June 9th from 10:30-11:30. If you've helped us with a gift of your time, we'd love for you to join us. Please email Jason Ness (jness@rockyview.ab.ca) before Friday, June 3rd with your RSVP to let us know you'll be attending.

[Reminder: Outstanding School Fees](#)

School Fee Invoices were sent out this week for fees that are outstanding and overdue. Invoices for students in Grades K-6 were printed and sent home via backpacks, while invoices for students in Grades 7 & 8 were emailed. Please log into your SchoolCash Online account to make payment. We will be forwarding our list of overdue fees to RVS' Finance Department prior to May 19, therefore your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Please contact the office if you wish to notify the school of any financial hardship.

[Reminder: Grade 7 & 8 Option Course Fee Waiver](#)

Families can have their Grade 7/8 Option Course Fees waived under certain circumstances. Upon receipt by the school principal of [Form AF5105 Waiver Application](#), parents/guardians of students who provide a copy of their Goods and Services Tax (GST) credit notice with the names of dependent children listed, will qualify to have their Grade 7/8 Optional Course Fees waived. The deadline for submission of Form AF5105 Waiver Application to the school principal is June 30th of the current school year.

[REMINDER: Friday Bus Delays – Road Construction](#)

The Town of Cochrane has advised us that road construction at the bottom of the 4th Avenue hill will restrict traffic flow in that part of Cochrane. This will have an impact on buses leaving the Cochrane tri-schools area whose routes on Friday are completed before ours. Please expect there may be afternoon bus delays on Fridays throughout May and June. Bus supervisors *will* remain outside with students until they are picked up at the school, but delays may be significant.