

# Fireside Focus

Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors

The Week Ahead ~ May 27 to June 3

## Upcoming Events at a Glance

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, June 1		<b>Grade 6 to 8 Band Information Night</b>
Thursday, June 2		<b>Fun Lunch (Panago Pizza)</b>
Thursday, June 9	10:30-11:30	<b>Volunteer Appreciation Tea (see below)</b>

Hello, families and friends of Fireside! We were glad to see the sun out this week, as many classes were having fun outdoors. Our Grade 8 Track and Field team also attended its first meet (see below) after getting weathered out last Thursday. Students were also involved in several interesting projects with insects this week: Butterflies in Grades 1 and 3 and Praying Mantises in Grade 2, which were released into the natural world today by students and teachers. Today, we held a successful Evacuation Fire Drill and classes enjoyed team-building activities outside on the fields in PE. We wish everyone a safe and lovely weekend!



## [NEW: Track and Field](#)

Fireside's Grades 7's and 8's competed in their first ever Track & Field Meets in the past two weeks. We had 13 Grade 7's sign up and 22 Grade 8's. All athletes competed very well. They also experienced many firsts, such as running on a track and competing in events such as Discus, Shot Put, Sprinting and Middle Distance Running, High Jump, Long Jump, and Triple Jump.

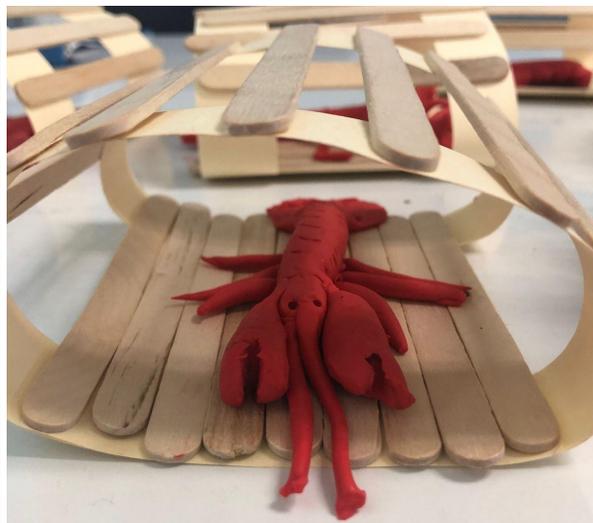
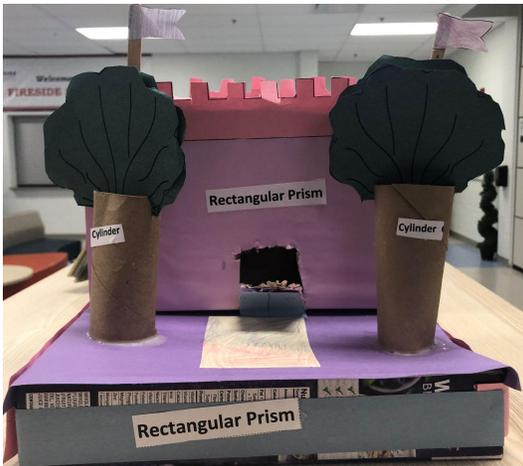
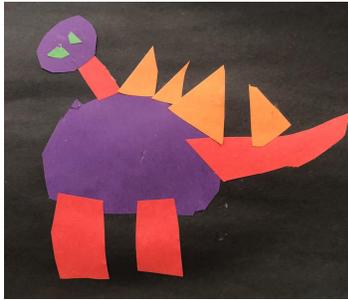


Our grade 8's had their meet on Tuesday, which saw some students with third place finishes: so great! And we had our first ever first place Relay finish from the Boys' Relay Team, who will be advancing to the Zones competition next Tuesday in Calgary. We wish you good speed, Max, Mason, Kees, Spencer, and Caylum!

Finally, a big thank you to our coaches: Mr. Emery, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Dancey, Mr. Adams, and Mrs. Espersen. We appreciate the time, effort, and energy you have put into coaching these teams!



**NEW: This week's Fireside Artwork and Math-Art**



### [NEW: Band Instruments](#)

Do you have a student interested in learning how to play a band instrument? Fireside School is pleased to offer a band information night on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> from 5-6 pm.

St. John's Music will be at the school, demonstrating several orchestra instruments. Students can test the suitability of their preferred instrument while organizing their rental and practice approach for the summer/fall. This event is completely optional, and if you are unable to attend, we will provide an email summarizing the important information of the night.

To rent an instrument, follow this link: <https://www.stjohnsmusic.com/content/rentals>.

- Summer rental: select "*process and rent now*" (choose either pickup in Calgary or \$20 delivery to home).
- Pre-reserve for Fall rental, select "*pickup from store,*" and your instrument will be delivered to Fireside School in September.

For additional information, or to request a summary, please contact Mr. Petterson ([dpetterson@rockyview.ab.ca](mailto:dpetterson@rockyview.ab.ca)).

### [UPDATED: Healthy Hunger](#)

This Thursday, June 2nd, we will be having **Panago Pizza** for our last "fun lunch" of the year. May 28th will be the last date to order (or change an order) for the June 2nd date. Please note that the program is not available to Kindergarten students, as the half day schedule does not afford us the time to accommodate the Kinders.

"Fun lunch" options are as follows:

1. Order a lunch for your child/children through the [Healthy Hunger website](#), by **Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>**.
2. If you would prefer for your child/children **not** to get Panago Pizza this month please email Fireside School ([fireside@rockyview.ab.ca](mailto:fireside@rockyview.ab.ca)) by **Saturday May 28th**, thank you to all of you that have already done so.
3. If, for whatever reason, families do not pick option 1 or 2 then a **cheese pizza** option from Panago Pizza will be provided to your child/children. This option will be supported through donations on the Healthy Hunger website.

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.

### [REMINDER: 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 4<sup>th</sup> 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.