



# LOCHEARN SCHOOL NEWS MAY 2024



Welcome to Spring (on the calendar, anyways!). The weather will soon turn warmer, and the feeling of transformation will be in the air! Please remember to send extra clothes in your child's backpack as the playground can get wet and muddy some days.

We have two busy months ahead of us before we wrap up this school year. The teachers are busy planning field trips for our students that will take place in May and June. We would like to send a BIG THANK YOU to our Friends of Lochearn Fundraising Society for approving the motion to pay \$10/student towards the transportation costs for field trips! This is the second year, and it is very much appreciated!



Watch for information and permission forms coming home in the days ahead from your homeroom teachers. All fees associated with field trips are to be paid by SchoolCash Online. Watch for email notifications regarding upcoming fees. If you are not registered yet and require assistance, please call our office. We would be happy to help you!

Please join us for our next School Council/Friends of Lochearn meeting on Tuesday, May 21 at 7:00 pm. A Zoom link will be available . . . check our Facebook page.

Online registration continues for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for the 2024.2025 school year. Our classes are filling up, so please complete your online registration soon.

Communication is vital for the success of our school. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us. As your administration team, we value your input and are committed to working together to ensure the success and well-being of our students. We can be reached by phone at 403.845.3721 or email [kathy.mcnutt@wrsd.ca](mailto:kathy.mcnutt@wrsd.ca) or [lucas.brown@wrsd.ca](mailto:lucas.brown@wrsd.ca) .

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY  
SUNDAY, MAY 12



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5416 54 Street / Rocky Mountain House, AB / T4T 1S6

Phone: 403.845.3721

Safe Arrival: 1.855.756.2797

# LOCHEARN SCHOOL BIKE STORAGE

If your child brings their bike to school, it must be parked in the bike rack provided on the south side of the school (grade 1 and 2 doors).

Please provide your own bike lock - bikes brought to school are left at your own risk.

This area is monitored by video surveillance.

An illustration of a light blue bicycle with a teal seat and handlebars, a teal basket on the front, and a teal kickstand. The bicycle is parked in a white metal bike rack. To the right of the bicycle, there is a yellow brushstroke background with a red and black bike lock and the text "BIKE LOCK" in black capital letters.

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Did you hear the 2024.2025 School Calendar has been approved?

Check out the Parent Calendar [here](#). 🌟👍🌟

Staggered Start is September 3 and 4.

*Watch for your Lochearn School Postcard in the mail at the end of August for your start date!*

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**REGISTRATION**  
at Lochearn School

**Pre-K and Kindergarten classes for 2024.2025 are filling up!**

**Complete your online registration today!  
Find the link on our website!**

**Pre-K: Four (4) years old in 2024**  
**Kindergarten: Five (5) years old in 2024**  
Birth Certificates required at time of registration.

**Questions? Please call 403.845.3721**

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## BIRTH CERTIFICATES

All parents/guardians are required to present legal proof of a student's name, citizenship and birth date when a child is registered in school. If a student was born outside of Canada, official documents from that country must be presented. As we are required by Alberta Education to have these documents for all students, you are required to provide them.

If you require an Alberta Birth Certificate for your child(ren), click [here](#) and follow the steps to order.

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**Order Milk for JUNE (until June 14)**

**MAY 1 - MAY 26**

**Online orders through SchoolCash**

**(watch for your email notification when the fee is posted)**

*Sorry, no late orders accepted.*



**SCHOOL CASH ONLINE**

Wild Rose School Division offers School Cash Online as its preferred method of payment. If you are new to the school and have not registered, please click [here](#).

- ✦ Pre-Kindergarten Fees
- ✦ Field Trips
- ✦ Activity Fees
- ✦ Milk Program

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 - HATS ON! FOR MENTAL HEALTH**

The first Wednesday in May, Albertans are invited to wear a hat to raise awareness of the importance of positive mental health. Consider wearing a hat on May 8!



## FRIENDS OF LOCHEARN FUNDRAISING SOCIETY



Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 21, 2024  
7:00 pm

Zoom link is available . . . watch for it on our Facebook page.



🌟 *Thank you to our Fundraising Group for purchasing new outdoor equipment for our recess bins!* 🌟  
🌟 *Our students are thrilled!* 🌟

## CUSTOM SCHOOL SUPPLIES - School Code: LOCHEARN2024

We are pleased to offer our families the opportunity to pre-purchase school supplies from [Custom School Supplies](#) for the 2024.2025 school year. The supply packages will be delivered to our school before school starts. Detailed information is available [here](#).

**The deadline to complete your online order, without a late fee is May 31.** After that date, you may still order online until August 1st; however, orders are subject to a \$10 late fee.

This is a voluntary program. If you prefer to purchase your own supplies, school supply lists for next school year will be available on our website at a later date.



**Friday, May 17** (Non-Instructional Day - teachers only)  
**Monday, May 20** (Victoria Day)

## TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE - SPRING & SUMMER 2024 COMMUNITY PROGRAM GUIDE

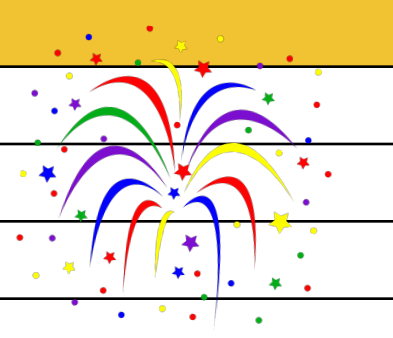
The Spring & Summer 2024 Community Program Guide is now available! Check it out [here!](#) Printed copies are available at the Christenson Sports & Wellness Centre!

### FIELD TRIPS 2024 - Watch for email notifications regarding upcoming fees.

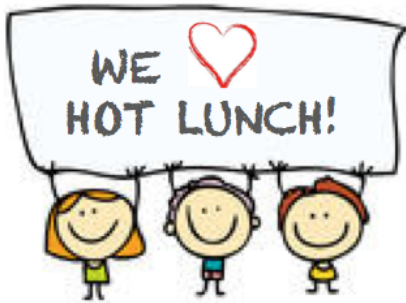
GRADE	DATE/LOCATION
<b>K1/K2</b>	June 14 - Crimson Lake Provincial Park
<b>1</b>	June 6 - RCMP & Post Office Grade 1's have several walking field trips during the months of May and June 😊
<b>2</b>	May 29 - Medicine River Wildlife Centre
<b>3</b>	May 30 - Brazeau Collieries Historic Mine, Nordegg
<b>4</b>	May 29 - Rocky Mountain House Historic Site 4/5E - June 12 - Wetlands Study at Crimson Lake
<b>5</b>	June 12 - Wetlands Study at Crimson Lake June 19/20 - Camp Evergreen

### JUNE 2024 - IMPORTANT DATES

GRADE	DATE/TIME
<b>PRE-K</b>	☀️ <b>June 25</b> - Year End Celebration, <b>11:15 am</b> (last day of class)
<b>K1</b>	☀️ <b>June 26</b> - Graduation, <b>12:00 noon</b> (last day of class)
<b>K2</b>	☀️ <b>June 25</b> - Graduation, <b>12:00 noon</b> (last day of class)
<b>Grade 5</b>	☀️ <b>June 26</b> - Farewell, <b>9:30 am</b> (last day of class)



**Pre-Ordered Hot Lunch Days for May:**

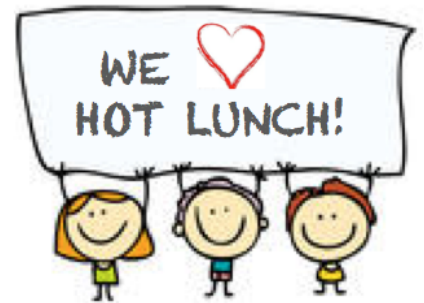


**May 1 - Edo Japan**

**May 9 - Co-Op**

**May 15 - Boston Pizza**

**May 23 - A&W**



**Please note there is no hot lunch for the month of June.**

***Thank you to Carma Griffith for taking on the hot lunch program this year and running it so successfully!***

***Watch for it to return in the Fall of 2024!***

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**SWIMMING 2024**

**\$16/student payable through SchoolCash.** Watch for email notification when the fees have been posted. Students must bring their own swimming suit and towel.

CLASS	DAY	MONTH	TIME
1C	Friday	May 3, 10, 24, 31	12:00 - 12:45 PM
4B	Thursday Tuesday	May 2, 16, 23 May 7	10:30 - 11:15 AM 1:45 - 2:30 PM
5T	Tuesday	April 16, 23, 30, May 7	10:45 - 11:30 AM
5V	Wednesday	May 8, 15, 22, 29	9:15 - 10:00 AM

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## MAY ASSEMBLY

Friday, May 24

12:15 pm

*Everyone is welcome to attend!*

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### REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

- If your child is absent or will be late for school, please connect with our Safe Arrival Line at 1.855.756.2797 or use [SchoolMessenger](#), before 9:00 a.m. *Students arriving late must check in with the office.*
  - Please remember to sign your child out in the office if they are leaving early. It is very important in case of an emergency that we know where your child is.
  - If your child rides the bus, and has been signed out early, please notify your bus driver that they will not be on the bus going home. If the bus driver does not know where your child is, the office receives a call from the Transportation Department.
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**COMING SOON! PERFORMANCE THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26 at 1:30 PM**

**Flyin' bob** One Man, Three Ring Circus!

Image: [www.flybob.com](http://www.flybob.com)

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## **VOLUNTEERS - Information Updated!**

Lochearn School loves volunteers and invites you to take an active role in volunteering at our school. Requirements for Criminal Record Checks have changed. Kindly refer to the following information.

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### **★ CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK NOT REQUIRED:**

- Volunteer is only assisting with a single event
  - Volunteer will not be working with students out of direct supervision of school staff
  - Examples: helping with food preparation during a special event, assisting with prepping materials in the staffroom, attending a field trip for skating (tying skates) – always with the large group
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### **★ CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK REQUIRED:**

- Volunteer is assisting with multiple events, requiring multiple visits in the school
  - Examples: assisting with hot lunch program every week/month, doing one on one site words in the hallway every Friday
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### **★ CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK (Including Vulnerable Sector Query) - Requirement for Grade 5 Ski Trip and Camping Trip**

- Volunteer is working with individual or small groups of students on a regular basis without direct supervision
- Examples: coaching a team, attending an overnight trip or trip that is outside of school hours and they are responsible for students

How to apply: You must take two pieces of government issued identification, at least one must be a photo ID, showing you reside in the same community as the RCMP Detachment.

Cover letters are available from the office so there is no cost. *Please be advised there is a waiting period for the completion of this check. If you require further clarification, please contact the office.*

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## NON-INSTRUCTIONAL (PD) DAYS FOR 2023.2024 – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

May 17

June 7

June 27

## LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP NEXT MONTH . . . *Dates are subject to change.*

<b>June 5</b>	Locky 5km / Fun Run - p.m.
<b>June 6</b>	School Spirit - Dress Western Day! Grade 1 - RCMP & Post Office
<b>June 7</b>	No School - Non-Instructional Day
<b>June 12</b>	Grade 5 - Field Trip to Crimson Lake (wetlands)
<b>June 14</b>	K1/K2 - Field Trip to Crimson Lake Last day for the Milk Program for this school year
<b>June 19/20</b>	Grade 5 - Camp Evergreen
<b>June 21</b>	National Indigenous Peoples Day
<b>June 25</b>	Pre-K Year End Celebration, <b>11:15 a.m.</b> (last day of class) K2 Graduation, <b>12:00 noon</b> (last day of class)
<b>June 26</b>	Grade 5 Farewell, <b>9:30 a.m.</b> (last day of class) K1 Graduation, <b>12:00 noon</b> (last day of class) Flyin' Bob - One Man, Three Ring Circus! Performance <b>1:30 p.m.</b>
<b>June 27</b>	Last day for staff 😎

To view the entire Parent Calendar for 2023.2024, click [here](#).