



Dear ERS Parents;

It is hard to believe that a month of school has gone by. It has been a wonderful start-up. Having the students back in school really fills our buckets! Also, being able to have all the parents and visitors visit our school and classrooms in person is truly amazing. We want to thank the wonderful staff that we have here. Their dedication and caring for your children is commendable and inspiring.

Come Grow With Us – Grandissons Ensemble is our Early Learning School motto. Canadian Rockies Public Schools continues to provide all teachers with the opportunity of working with the Teaching Effectiveness Framework to support our divisional focus on a Shared Vision of Instructional Excellence (SVIE). Teachers are collaboratively meeting, creating and analyzing engaging learning experiences for all students. We will continue to look for ways to look at student thinking to support our learning that directly enriches student learning and growth.

Some of our September highlights included the Terry Fox Run. We raised \$2527.30 this year for Cancer Research. Way to go everyone! As well, we were honoured to host our Indigenous Elders during the week leading up to the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day. We were so glad to have Elder Philomene Stevens and Elder Tracey Stevens speak to all our classes about Honouring our Children: Past and Present. We are also thrilled that they will be joining us monthly to help us learn about Indigenous ways of knowing throughout the school year.

Once again, thank you so much for your support this year and let's continue to stay healthy and have our students thrive in school. Enjoy this wonderful fall weather that we are getting at the moment.

Brian Wityshyn  
Principal &  
Nicole Skwara  
Assistant Principal





The school year is now well underway and the Parent Council is excited and grateful for the fantastic response to our first two fundraisers of the year: Red Rock Pizza Lunches and Davison Orchards Apple Orders.

We are so appreciative of all of the support we receive throughout the year with our fundraising efforts. Fundraising is a critical job of the Parent Council as it has a direct impact on the experience that students and teachers have at ERS. Items such as new tables and chairs in the learning commons, subscriptions to the Raz Kids reading program, repainting the pavement games, new leveled readers from indigenous authors, and physical activity supports like stationary bikes in the classrooms are only possible with your donations!

We are also happy to be holding our first community-building Movie Night later this month. Events like this are such a wonderful opportunity to come together and enjoy the community that is Elizabeth Rummel School.

The Parent Council meets monthly throughout the school year and meetings are always open for any ERS families to attend. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 1st at 7:00 PM. We are hoping to have a virtual option available by then.

Thank you again for your support and we are looking forward to seeing you on October 28th for a family-friendly movie night!

Trevor Rogers

Chair, ERS Parent Council

## **School Community Volunteers**

Throughout the school year School Council will need volunteers to help with various events and school council initiatives to help them run smoothly.

We would like to gauge interest from our school community to create a list of volunteers that we can reach out to when we need assistance. If you are interested in volunteering with the School Council, please complete the form so that we can reach out to you when needed!! No commitment required. You will always have the option to decline if the timing does not work for you.



**[Google Form link](#)**



**Apple order pick up**  
**Thursday, October 20th from 3-5:30**



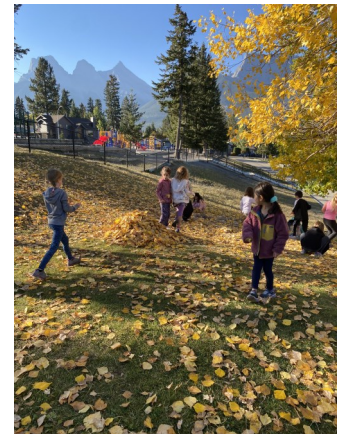
**So many exciting things have been happening around ERS these past weeks... from magic shows...to science experiments...to Truth and Reconciliation...to fire safety...to counting pumpkin seeds!**



**INSIDE....**



**...And OUTSIDE...to placing orange rocks in the community...to running for cancer research...to exploring fire trucks...to building forts...to enjoying the fallen leaves.**





## October Newsletter

### Video Gaming in Children and Youth



Free Virtual Session on Youth and Video Games

November 17, 2022 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Video gaming is accessible to virtually everyone including our children. In Canada, gaming is a billion dollar industry. This session will look at the video gaming prevalence among genders and age groups, impact on major life areas, and strategies to encourage a more balanced approach to gaming. For more information and to register: <https://crcpd.ab.ca/program/8982>



**THE TERRY FOX  
FOUNDATION**

**ERS Students and families have raised over \$2500 for the Terry Fox Foundation.**

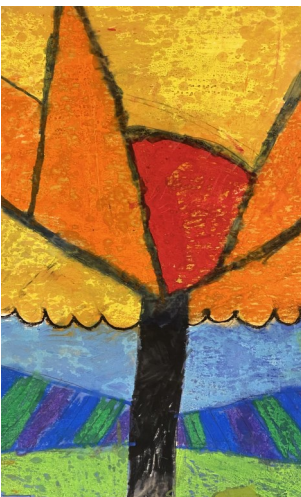
**Thank you for all your help in supporting this great cause.**

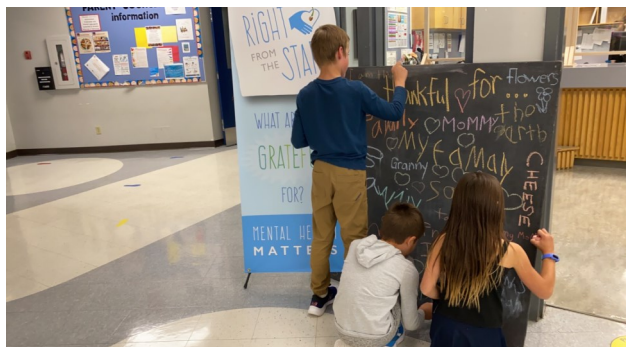






# ERS ART GALLERY





Right from the Start (RFTS) is a mental health capacity building program with a Success Coach in ERS!

RFTS promotes positive mental health in your child's class, runs pro-social clubs/small groups, supports positive school culture by creating whole-school events and supports staff with social-emotional programming. ERS Success Coach Kat Wiebe is available to support families as well. Feel free to drop in or send her an email: [kathleen.wiebe@crps.ca](mailto:kathleen.wiebe@crps.ca);

403-678-6292, ext. 6274.

You can find more mental health resources [here](#).

Respond to the Town of Canmore's first-ever [Childcare Assessment](#). The Town is trying to better understand gaps, needs, and impacts of childcare availability in Canmore from the perspective of parents and caregivers, providers, and business owners.

Right from the Start (RFTS) hosted our first post-Covid Take 5 at the ERS Open House! Students and families were invited to share what they are grateful for!

## Important dates to remember...

Apple order pick up	Thursday, Oct 20
Half day Friday	Friday, Oct 21, Nov 4 and 25
Photo Retakes	Tuesday, Oct 25
Pizza day	Wednesday, Oct 26, Nov 9 and 23
Halloween Parade	Monday, Oct 31
Remembrance Day Holiday	Thursday, Nov 10
School Closure	Friday, Nov 11
Parent /teacher/student conferences	Wednesday, Nov 2 (4-7pm)
	Thursday, Nov 3 (5-8pm)
	Friday, Nov 4 (8:30-12:00)





