



# NEWSLETTER

January '25

## ERS HAPPENINGS

**Kindergarten Registration** is now open. Please visit Canadian Rockies School Division [website](#). Registering for Kindergarten marks an exciting milestone in you and your child's life. Not only does this mark your child's formal entry to school, but it opens the door to a world of learning, play and exploration. **ERS Kindergarten Open House will be Thursday, February 6 from 6:30-7:30. F**

### RFTS start has created lunch clubs:

Grade 1s: Arts and Crafts

Grade 2s: LEGO Club

Grade 3s: Games Club

Grade 4s: They are our leaders throughout the school leading assemblies and helping with afternoon clubs as well.

## Update:

### Food Bank Drive

Students were so proud to have made a positive impact in their community. Together they amazingly donated over **690 food items** to the Bow Valley Food Bank.

## EVENTS

**Jan 15** - Knowledge Keepers Visit

**Jan 15** - Parent Council  
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

**Jan 16** - Scotia Hockey Day in Canmore Assembly

**Jan 17** - PLN afternoon for staff (Half day school)

**Jan 22** - Pizza Day

**Jan 22** - Board Meeting  
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm CBO

**Jan 31** - Report Cards

### Food Drive





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## CONDOLENCES

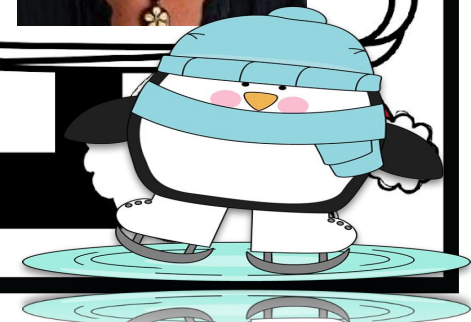


We are sad to share some unfortunate news about one of our CRPS Knowledge Keepers, Philomene Stevens. Philomene passed away over the winter break after a brief illness. Philomene's visits to ERS were always special. She was an advocate for Indigenous rights and cultural preservation and she shared many stories and lessons in CRPS schools. Her teachings shared the importance of connection to each other, to nature, and to our roots. She was an incredible person and she will be greatly missed. We extend our deepest condolences to Philomene's family, friends, and Mînh Thnî community.

## FAREWELL



After 28 years with Canadian Rockies Public Schools, MJ Vigneault has decided to leave the division and enjoy new adventures. She will be relocating to British Columbia later this month. The staff and students want to personally thank her for all of her hard work and dedication to ERS. All the Best!





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## DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that when we surveyed our students, we asked them in one word to describe ERS. This is what they had to say:



## Shared Vision of Learning

We believe in and embrace the importance of whole child education in the development of each learner. As caring professionals, we:

- create inclusive environments that value and respond to diversity and the strengths of each individual.
- create opportunities for learners to develop habits, skills and mindsets that build their social, emotional and academic competence.

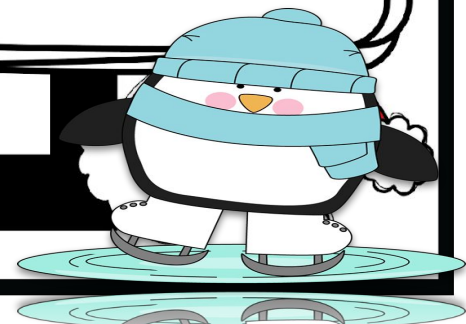
## WANTED

**Homestay families needed** in Banff, Canmore or Exshaw for international high school students (Grade 10-12) from Feb-June 2025

Do you have a spare bedroom? Become a host family for our International Student Program! Remuneration is provided. Follow this [link](#) to find out more!

## Settlement Services

Settlement Services provides Permanent Residents of Canada, Live-In Caregivers and Refugees with the support they need to settle in the Bow Valley. Please click the link for the **Settlement Services Newsletter**. More information about Settlement Services and a calendar of events is available at: [www.banff.ca/settlement](http://www.banff.ca/settlement) or follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SSBV.CCBV/>.





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## Grade 7 visit from LGMS:



Building relationships and connections with Grade 7 students from LGMS. Grade 7s came to ERS to read to our grade 4s. The first of several visits yet to come! [\(Read more here\)](#)

## Grade One Art



## Good Day



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## Library: New Arrivals

