

## NEWSLETTER

February '25

### ERS HAPPENINGS

Explore the exciting world of Kindergarten at our upcoming open house on February 6th from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Meet our teachers, tour our classrooms, and learn about our programs designed to inspire young learners. Start your child's learning adventure with us. We can't wait to meet you! For more details, visit www.crps.ca!



#### Parent Council: Home Reading Tips Presentation

Do you want to learn more about how to help your child with their reading skills? Are you looking for tips on how to structure their home reading practice?

Join our next Parent Council meeting on February 12th at 6:30 pm in the ERS Library for a presentation by ERS staff members. We are happy to share tips, tricks, and words of encouragement to support you in helping your children become engaged and capable young readers.

## EVENTS

Feb 5 - Pizza Day

Feb 6 - 2025-26 Kindergarten Open House

Feb 7 - Half Day Friday

Feb 12 - Pizza Day

Feb 12 - Parent Council

Feb 17-21 - No School

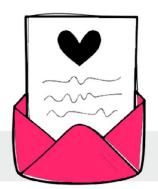
Feb 26 - Pizza Day

Feb 26 - Pink Shirt Day

#### TO-DO

- View your child's
   Report Card and pay your child's
   School Fees in your Parent Portal
- Keep up to date with our <u>School</u> <u>Calendar</u>





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## Around the District...

## French Immersion & FSL Pathways at CCHS: It doesn't end in Grade 8 or 9!

Canmore Collegiate High School will be holding a parent micro session on Feb 25th 6:30pm - 7pm. The topic is: French Immersion and FSL (French as a Second Language) pathways at CCHS: it doesn't end in grade 8 or 9! It will be a hybrid session with the in person meeting being held in the CCHS cafeteria and this link meet.google.com/bss-ifrs-oek being available to families who wish to join virtually.



We would like to encourage any parents with students in French Immersion, who are Francophone or who are interested in French as a Second Language courses to attend regardless of the grade their student is currently in. It's always good to plan ahead.

#### Shared Vision of Learning

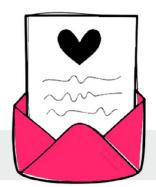
We believe that exemplary teachers consistently design and assess to ensure that all learners develop, create and find joy in learning. As responsive designers and assessors of learning, we:

 collaborate to use evidence of learning gathered through products, performances, observations and conversations to respond to learner needs and inform instructional decisions.

#### **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 or follow on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SSBV.CCBV/.





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### Hockey Day at ERS









## J J J Welcome



We would like to introduce you to **Becky Takahash**i. She will be our new Admin Assistant. She will be working alongside Grace on Tuesdays, Thursdays and every other Friday. Welcome to the family, Becky!

### TO-DO

Wear Pink! February 26th, 2025

#### Let kindness grow this pink shirt day:

The 2025 Pink Shirt Day design is all about cultivating a community of kindness. Just like tending to a garden, together we can each help nurture a sense of belonging where we live, work, and go to school. It all starts with small gestures— a kind word, an offer of support or understanding. If we plant enough, pretty soon, more will be sprouting up all around us! By sprinkling these seeds of empathy and compassion, we can work towards a world without bullying and "Let Kindness Grow" through all of our community gardens.



#### February 2025 **Family Connection Centre** Program Calendar **Early Years Program Caregiver Program Banff Program** Toys Together + **Un-Parented** 8:45-11:30 a.m. **Parented** (P, D) Registered Drop-in 3 7 Toys Together Outdoor Play Toys Together View program descriptions on backside. Toys Together + 10:15-11:45 a.m. (P,R) Loose Parts **Discussion Group** 8:45-11:30 a.m. 8:45-11:30 a.m. 10-11 a.m. (P, R) Mini Mingles Substance Abuse (P, D) Storytime Lunch (P, D) 6-7:30 p.m. (R) 1:30-3 p.m. (P, D) **REGISTERED PROGRAMS:** To learn more & register, visit: 10 13 Outdoor Play 14 LiveAndPlay.canmore.ca **Toys Together** Toys Together + **Toys Together** Wee Wonders 8:45-11:30 a.m. 8:45-11:30 a.m. 8:45-11:30 a.m. 1-2:30 p.m. (P, D) Mini Mingles (P, D) **DROP-IN PROGRAMS:** (P, D) (P, D) apapapapap 1:30-3 p.m. (P, D) See our Community Calendar for more information & updates: 22 16 () HAPPY Parent Wee Wonders canmore.ca/community-calendar Toys Together + family **Toys Together** Toys Together **Discussion Group** 1-2:30 p.m. (P, D) 8:45-11:30 a.m. 8:45-11:30 a.m. 8:45-11:30 a.m. Jsing Love & Limits Mini Mingles (P, D) (P, D) (P, D) 6-7:30 p.m. (R) 1:30-3 p.m. (P, D) **INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTS:** Our Family Support Workers are here to 23 25 27 Outdoor Play 28 provide you with support & resources for a **Feeding Your** 10:15-11:45 a.m. (P,R) variety of challenges. Contact us to book! **Toys Together** Wee Wonders No Toys Baby 8:45-11:30 a.m. 1-2:30 p.m. (P, D) Together 9:30-11 a.m. (R) (P, D) Mini Mingles Questions? Contact us! 1:30-3 p.m. (P, D) Email: FCCadmin@canmore.ca Phone: 403-678-2529

Toys Together	A free play space for caregivers and young children ages 0-6 to explore and socialize.  *8:45-9:30 a.m. is Sensory-Friendly time, designed specifically for those who can benefit from a low-sensory environment.	Wed & Fri	8:45-11:30 a.m.	Drop-in
Toys Together +	Toys Together, but with extra activities for ages 4+! *8:45-9:30 a.m. is Sensory-Friendly time	Sat	8:45-11:30 a.m.	Drop-in
Mini Mingles	An indoor drop-in for expecting parents and those with infants 0-12 months to connect.	Thurs	1:30-3 p.m.	Drop-in
Parent Discussion Group	Learn how to manage various parenting challenges and share experiences and advice in a supportive, non-judgmental environment. Dinner provided.  TOPICS: Protecting Against Substance Abuse (Feb. 4), Using Love & Limits (Feb. 18)	Tues, Feb. 4, 18	6-7:30 p.m.	Registered
Embracing Outdoor Play (BANFF)	This 3-week outdoor program allows families with children ages 2-6 to connect while learning how to embrace outdoor play regardless of the weather. Email katie.barton@banff.ca to register.	Thurs, Feb. 6, 13, and 27	10:15-11:45 a.m.	Registered
Loose Parts Playtime	For children ages 3-6 to explore, imagine, and create in an open-ended environment.	Fri, Feb. 7	10-11 a.m.	Registered
Wee Wonders: Baby Group (Banff)	A 6-week drop-in program for parents and caregivers with babies 0-12-months to meet, learn, and connect with other Bow Valley Families who are also on their parenting journey!	Thurs, Feb. 13 - Mar. 20	1-2:30 p.m.	Drop-in
Feeding Your Baby	Join a Registered Dietitian to learn more about starting solids, first foods, textures, timing and more. Childcare will be available.	Mon, Feb. 24	9:30-11 a.m.	Registered