

## **WHISKERS WEEKLY**

### **Pot of Gold News: Real Time Reporting**

During the 2018/2019 school year, our school will be participating in a prototype for Real Time Reporting. Participating schools have committed to parent engagement, research-based assessment practices, and continuous, ongoing reporting of student learning through the PowerSchool public portal. **Differences from the previous practice will include additional opportunities for parents to conference with teachers and a reduction of report cards to one printed summative report in June.** Parents will be able to view student progress online in real-time. Parents will also have the opportunity to see samples of student learning in an online portfolio.

If you have not yet set up your PowerSchool Parent Portal account, please contact the school office at 403-273-8129 for support. For additional information on setting up your preferences in the parent portal, please visit our school's website at <http://rcreek.rockyview.ab.ca/parents/powerschool> or the RVS website at <http://www.rockyview.ab.ca/families/families/powerschool>

As we begin this journey of learning around real time reporting we thank you for your patience and welcome your feedback. If you have any questions, please ask your child's teacher or contact our office at 403-273-8129.

### **Dress for the Weather!**

Unless it is colder than -20C, students go outside for recess twice a day (once on Fridays). With our everchanging, unpredictable Alberta weather, we ask that you please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the outdoors whether it includes a hat, mittens, boots, snow pants, or a rain jacket.

### **Jacket Racket**

Rainbow Creek is happy to be a donation location for the Jacket Racket this again this year! Donations of gently used/new warm winter wear (coats, snowsuits, hats, mitts, scarves etc.) for children and adults will be accepted through to October 12. The black donation drop-off bin is located in the hallway by the front office. For more information about this program or to find out if you are eligible for support contact 403-207-7081 or visit [chestermere.ca/jacketracket](http://chestermere.ca/jacketracket)

## **MILK PROGRAM**

We are pleased to announce we will be running a milk program commencing October 1<sup>st</sup>. We will offer milk stamp cards to purchase for grades one through five. Please see the attached notice for more information.

## **HOT LUNCH ORDERING**

Optional Hot Lunch ordering for grades 1-5 will be open Friday September 14th and close Sunday, September 23rd. All payments are due by September 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:45. Late orders and payments will not be accepted – no exceptions. You can pay online using PayPal or by sending payment in your child's agenda; cheques are payable to Rainbow Creek Elementary School.

All parents will need to create a new account for the new school year at <http://rainbowcreek.hotlunches.net> using the access code is RC2010HL. Please contact Melissa [missyscarlett@gmail.com](mailto:missyscarlett@gmail.com) with any issues.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

September 14 – Hot lunch ordering opens

September 23 – Hot lunch orders close with payments due on September 25

September 24 – Professional Learning Day (no school for students)

September 26 – Picture Day

September 28 – Terry Fox Run

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Sincerely,

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