### February 2018 Newsletter

### **Round Hill Extra**

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### Principal's Message:

Winter can be challenging at times, as the cold weather begins to wear us down and thoughts of green grass and warmth invade our thoughts. This lull is not to be found at Round Hill School. As I visited each classroom recently, I was drawn into the opportunities each student was being presented to learn and grow! Building webpages, learning long division, working on google forms, challenging a math assignment, and learning proper letter formation; just a snap shot of some of the daily activities happening in our school. Please encourage your children to embrace these opportunities and to put their best effort into all that they do.

For a moment, it looked like winter was going to win as we anticipated our basketball tournament weekend. Thankfully, the winds died down and the snow stopped falling and we were able to go ahead. The tournament itself was a huge success and was a clear example of how a supportive community enhances the school; its programs and people. A big thank you to all who played a role in the success of our weekend

And, in spite of the weather, many exciting activities are happening at the school. Please make sure to check out our calendar of the upcoming events!

Karla Koleba Principal, Round Hill School



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### Important February Dates...

Feb 1-Early Dismissal

Feb 2-Report Cards Go Home

Feb 6-Farm Safety Presentation

Feb 9-Ski Trip ~ Grades 3-9

Feb 13-Hot Dog Day

Feb 14-Red/Pink Day

**Feb 16**-No School-Professional Learning Series

**Feb 16-17**-Boys' Basketball Tourney-Vermilion

Feb 19-No School-Family Day

Feb 21-(Dis/Re)Connect Event

Feb 22-Skating Party

**Feb 23-24**-Girls' Basketball Tourney-Bashaw

Feb 28-Pink Shirt Day

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#### **FOIP CONSENT - NOTICE OF ACTIVITIES**

This form is now required yearly as part of our student registration process and is necessary for permission to use your child(ren)s' information for various activities. For example, there are times when we take photos of all/part of our school population at various events/programs that do not identify anyone by name (ie: Poinsettia & Christmas Basket fundraisers, Terry Fox Run, basketball games, class projects etc.). If these photos were to be used in conjunction with their name, a separate specific consent would be required.

Please read the attached FOIP CONSENT-NOTICE OF ACTIVITIES form carefully, complete it and return it to the school for your child(ren)s' records.



### 2017-2018 Alberta Education Accountability Pillar Survey Information

As an annual check-up on the education system, the Accountability Pillar provides an opportunity for Alberta Education and school authorities to ensure that we are equipping students for success.

The Accountability Pillar uses a set of 16 indicators consisting of surveys of students, parents and teachers on various aspects of quality; student outcomes such as dropout and high school completion rates; and provincial assessments of student learning. From January to the end of February, Alberta Education will be conducting the annual Accountability Pillar Survey.

In January, parents of students in grades 4-9 will receive a survey from Alberta Education. Students in these grades will be completing the Accountability survey online at school. They have already completed the OurSCHOOL/Tell Them From Me Survey in January. All surveys are anonymous and ask questions about experiences with the school.

Your participation in the survey helps provide important information on the quality of education your child is receiving, so we encourage you to return your survey promptly. Survey results will be available to school authorities in May 2018, and will be reported publicly as part of their 3-Year Education Plans and Annual Education Results Reports.

If you have any questions or would like further clarification, please refer to the bottom of our homepage for a link to Alberta Education's overview on this survey.

### **Skating Schedule: January to March 2018**

Our skating has started! Please refer to the schedule below:

THESE DATES AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION DEPENDING ON THE WEATHER.

Grade 7/8/9 will be at the rink from about 2:00-3:10 on Tuesdays. Grade 5/6 will be at the rink from about 12:30-1:40 on Thursdays. Grade 3/4 will be at the rink from about 2:00 - 3:10 on Wednesday. Grade 1/2 will be at the rink from about 12:30-1:40 on Wednesday. Kindergarten will be at the rink from about 12:30-1:40 on Tuesdays.

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Students will be transported to Rabbit Hill to ski or snowboard on February 9th. The bus will leave at about 9:00 a.m. and return in time for buses at 3:30 p.m. There is a concession so you can send money or a bag lunch with your child. If you are planning to meet us at the hill and extend the ski day for your children they *must bring a note before-hand* letting us know of your intentions. Parents must be in attendance at the ski hill at 2:00 pm (the time of loading buses) for students to extend their skiing day. If not, students will be **required** to board the bus back to Round Hill School. If you have any questions or concerns please email <a href="rlowe@brsd.ab.ca">rlowe@brsd.ab.ca</a> or call the school at (780) 672-6654.

### **Hot Dog Day!**

\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: Due to the increasing number of food allergies and/or special diets, we are no longer able to accommodate these requests at our hot dog sales. If your child has an allergy or special diet, it is up to you to provide separate food for your child that day\*\*\*\*\*

You do not need to pre-order - just send money with your child that day!

Grades 3 & 4 are to send dessert this month. 

Thank you for supporting your Parent Council!



### Pink Shirt Day

On **February 28th** we encourage everyone to practice kindness and wear pink to symbolize that you do not tolerate bullying. If you did not purchase the *Nice Needs No Filter* shirt through the school, please feel free to wear a pink shirt of your own.

#### What is Bullying?

Go to this website for information courtesy of Red Cross Canada:

https://pink-shirtday.squarespace.com/what-is-bullying/

### February 14th is Red/Pink Day @ Round Hill School!



Wear your favourite red or pink clothing items to celebrate Valentine's Day!

### **Skating Party**



Weather permitting, we are hoping to take our entire school to Miquelon Lake to skate on Thursday, **February 22**.

Our K-4 students will leave the school at approx 10:00 am to skate in the morning and our 5-9 students will leave the school at lunch time to join them for a hot dog roast.

The K-4 will head back to the school after the hot dog roast and our 5-9 students will skate for the afternoon. They will return to the school in time to catch busses.

Any parents who wish to join us are certainly welcome! Some help with tying skates and roasting hot dogs would be greatly appreciated as well. If some parents could bring roasting sticks that would also be appreciated. Please let Mr. Nederlof know if you are able to bring roasting sticks.

Please make sure that your child has skates and a helmet for that day and appropriate winter wear.

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### ECKS (Dis/Re)Connect

### Parent Series 2018

### Join us for this FREE event that supports families living in the digital age.

Technology is changing every day, bringing us scientific breakthroughs never thought possible, access to information we never dreamed of, entertainment we couldn't imagine, and more. However, as we watch the world change before our eyes we also have questions about the impact this has on our children, ourselves, and our future.

### The Teen Brain and Tech:

Angela Hill, ECDSS Edmonton. Referencing current understandings of brain development and the latest research on the impacts of media, this session will explore both sides of the technology debate - informing families to support children and teens in developing healthy connections both online and off.

### Apps 101 & Students, Pics and the Law:

Patrick Whittleton, 21st Century Learning BRSD. The ins and outs of Snapchat and Instagram.

Const. John Fernhout will discuss the potential legal ramifications students creating, sharing, or sending sexual images or videos ("sexting") of themselves or peers.

### WHEN

February 21, 2018 6-8 pm

### WHERE

### Ecole Charlie Killam School 4809-46 Street

Please let us know you're coming so that we have enough materials prepared.

All welcome!









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# February 2018



| Sunday | Monday                                    | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday                                 |
|--------|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| 28     | 29  | 30   | 31  | 1<br>Early Dismissal:<br>Staff Meeting                            | 2<br>Report Cards  | 3  |
| 4      | 5   | Farm Safety Presentation  Mini-Dunkers' Game Here After School | 7 Basketball: @ Cornerstone                                       | 8   | 9<br>Ski Trip<br>(Gr 3-9)  | 10                                       |
| 11     | 12  | 13   | Basketball: Hay Lakes here Red/Pink Day!                          | 15  | No School: Prof. Learn. Ser.  Basketball: Boys' Tourney in Vermilion | Basketball: Boys' Tourney in Vermilion   |
| 18     | No School:                                | 20   | Basketball: @ Ryley  (Dis/Re)Connect Event @ Ecole Charlie Killam | 22<br>Skating Party @<br>Miquelon Lake<br>(weather<br>permitting) | 23  Basketball: Girls' Tourney in Bashaw                             | 24  Basketball: Girls' Tourney in Bashaw |
| 25     | Basketball: Tie-Breaker Games (if needed) | Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room     | 28 Pink Shirt Day!  | 1   | 2  | 3  |

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## March 2018

| Sunday | Monday                      | Tuesday                    | Wednesday | Thursday                                 | Friday   | Saturday                 |
|--------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--|--|--------------------------|
| 25     | 26                          | 27                         | 28        | Early Dismissal Favourite Character Day! | No School: Staff Collaboration Basketball: Regionals | 3  Basketball: Regionals |
| 4      | 5                           | 6                          | 7         | No School:<br>Teachers'<br>Convention    | 9  No School: Teachers' Convention                   | 10                       |
| 11     | 12                          | 13                         | 14        | Rocks & Rings                            | No School  | Happy St Potricks Day    |
| 18     | 19                          | 20                         | 21        | 22                                       | 23   | 24                       |
| 25     | 26  No School: Spring Break | No School:<br>Spring Break | 28        | No School:<br>Spring Break               | 30<br>No School:<br>Good Friday                      | 31                       |

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