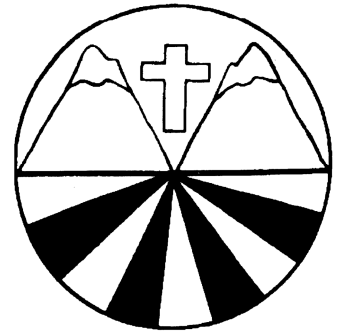


# Lifeline



"Bringing family and school together"

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Call the office if you have a question about any of the activities that are taking place.

## FUNDRAISING



### APPLE PIE SALE

Today was the deadline to order Apple Pies. If you missed it you can call the school office tomorrow morning with your order. Please remind the people that have

ordered from you to pick up the pies on *Monday, October 2, from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Rocky Bakery & Deli.*

Helpers are still needed - phone Denise Piers at 845-6368 to sign up.

### DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

*Saturday, November 4, 2006*

Tickets are now on sale for \$15

Plans are well underway for our Silent Auction and Dinner. We are very happy to report that Cheryl DeBruyn and the Terpsma's have agreed to provide some musical entertainment for us after supper. The dinner theme is Italian. We are looking for items for the Silent Auction. Some suggestions are: hay, gift certificates (for babysitting, dinner, housework, dessert a month for a year, gift baskets filled with preserves), firewood, quilts, table runners, woodworking items, paintings, knitted items and the list can go on and on. Please call Trudy 845-6192 if you can donate something. Tickets can be purchased at the school office, from Trudy, or at Modern Electric. This is a wonderful way to meet fellow school supporters in a relaxed, informal setting and a good place to come and do all your Christmas shopping.

**DINNER THEATRE** – If you are interested in being part of the dinner theatre next spring, call Corinne VanSteenis at 845-4522 or Tammy Black at 845-4486.



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**WELCOME** to Tracy and Paddy Reed, a new family to Rocky Mountain House and the school. They have Dakota in grade 3, and Shelby in grade 2.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6** – Wild Rose School Division is closed on that day, however buses will be running for St. Matt’s and our school. Please let the bus driver know if your student won’t be on the bus.

### See You At The Pole

**When:** Wed., Oct. 25 at 8:00 a.m.

**Where:** RCS Flagpole

Let us meet together and start the day off right! Come and join us for prayer and devotions by the flagpole.

“For where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them.” Matthew 18:20

## SINK OR SWIM

### Values

A value, according to the American Heritage Dictionary is, “a principle, standard, or quality considered worthwhile or desirable.” Recently while attending a workshop I was asked the question, “What are your school’s values?” My instinctive reaction was to scorn the question. I did not immediately have an answer. Instead I quietly evaluated the question. I fear that in my silence I appeared to be something of a buffoon. One of our teachers came to my rescue by quickly answering that we have Christian values. Since that time I have been wondering why my first reaction to the question was so negative.

In education circles the word ‘values’ has been thrown around a lot. ‘Values clarification’ has been a goal of public education for some time. The term suggests that schools will teach each child in accordance with the values of their personal culture, heritage, and religion. This notion is often criticized as unrealistic or impossible to carry out. Lately, the term has been much more democratic in nature. Our values are the principles, standards, and qualities that Canadians agree are worthwhile or desirable. To me, this democratization cheapens the term. The term ‘value’ suggests the possibility of evaluation or appraisal. The qualities and principles that Christians hold dear are beyond our scrutiny.

The Bible speaks of laws, commands, and fruits of the Spirit. These things are far more powerful and meaningful than mere values. Whether or not we agree with these Biblical norms is irrelevant. They are an expression of God’s will for us. Having said that, I don’t think that we have to cast the word ‘values’ from our vocabularies because it is in some way unchristian. Rather, when we use the term we ought to be cognizant of the fact that as Christians we take the term to mean something very different than the rest of the world.

Rob Duiker, Principal



### Feedback Corner

**September 28, 2006**

This is the place to make requests, provide comments, ask questions, give encouragement, and make suggestions. This month we would like to hear from you about a teacher who made a difference in the life of your child.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

**FROM THE TREASURER** – Book fees and membership fees were due by September 15. If you have not yet paid these fees, please do so promptly.

**SCHOOL PICTURES** were taken today. Pictures should be back in 3 or 4 weeks. Retakes will be on Tuesday, November 14.

**TERRY FOX RUN** – Toonie for Terry – Friday, September 29, is “The Terry Fox National School Run Day”. It will be amazing that on the same day millions of students and educators will be running/walking for cancer research. We are asking that every student brings \$2.00 to participate; we will be meeting on the cement pad at 2:00 p.m. Thanks for your support. As Terry said in 1980, “If you’ve given a dollar you are part of the marathon of hope”.

## Third Annual Alumni Hockey Tournament *Wednesday, December 27*

It’s time to start getting your team in shape. Try to get as many Rocky Christian School alumni or spouses as possible (parents also counted). For safety reasons we are setting a minimum age of 15 years old (grade 10). Full equipment/no contact. Cost is \$200/team. Call the school to register your team.

## S ✦ P ✦ O ✦ R ✦ T ✦ S

**VOLLEYBALL** practices have begun. Game days are on the October calendar. Please come out and cheer on our teams.

**HOCKEY** practice starts on Thursday, October 12, from 12:10 – 1:10 p.m. Following is a list of the equipment needed. If you are interested in helping coach hockey, please call the office.

- Helmet with face shield
- Neck guard
- Shoulder pads with chest protector
- Elbow pads
- Gloves
- Hockey pants with belt or suspenders
- Protective cup
- Socks with suspenders
- Sharp skates and shin pads
- Practice jersey with socks

Rocky Christian School provides game jersey and socks.

**SPORTS FEE** - Don’t forget to pay your **sports uniform fee**. This year the fee is \$15.00 for each extra-curricular junior high sport (hockey, volleyball, and basketball) that you participate in.

## SWIMMING POOL AND ARENA SCHEDULE

### SWIMMING

E.C.S.: 2-3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20  
 Grade 1/2: 2-3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20  
 Grade 3/4: 2-3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, Oct. 11, 25, Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Dec. 6  
 Grade 5/6: 2-3:00 p.m. on Fridays, Oct. 13, 27, Nov 3, 17, 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15

### SKATING

ECS: 2-3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, October 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19  
 Gr. 1/2: 2-3:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, October 10, 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19  
 Grade 3/4: 2-3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14  
 Grade 5/6: 2-3:00 p.m. on Fridays, Jan. 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 23, March 2, 16, 23  
 Grade 7-9 girls: 10:30-11:30 a.m. on Mondays, January 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12, 26, March 5, 12, 19  
 Grade 7-9 boys: 12:10-1:10 p.m. on Thursdays, starting Oct. 12

**WORLDWIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS** – It’s A Go!! February 2007 is the target date for building a Christian School in the Dominican Republic through Worldwide Christian Schools.

How can you help:

- Pray
  - for the planning and project
- Make a tax-deductible donation
  - to the school
  - or First CRC Rocky (earmarked “Share The Joy”)
- Participate
  - We are looking for 3 or 4 more adults to join us
- Support
  - Join us for an “End of Harvest Turkey Supper” on Friday, October 27, at 5 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. at First Christian Reformed Church.
  - To reserve your spot or if you have any questions, phone Josephine Belder (845-4487) or Arlene Leenstra (845-6757)
  - Free will tax deductible offering

Thanks in advance for your generous donations. The goal is to raise \$10,000 for material. Airfare and lodging is to be paid for by participants.

Rocky Christian School collects money during our Christian Education Week in the spring. Part of that money goes to Worldwide Christian Schools to be sent to a Christian School in the Dominican Republic for school supplies.

**CLUB MOO** for November has a total of 21 days. Cost is 50¢ a day. Please return the form to the office by **Thursday, October 26**. If you wish to prepay for more months, count the school days in each month and make a note on your order of how many months you are paying for.

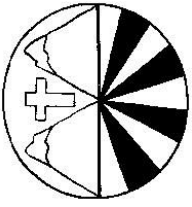


**MOO CLUB**

I wish to enrol \_\_\_\_\_, Grade \_\_\_\_\_, in CLUB MOO and request the following milk order. Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost for \_\_\_\_\_ month.

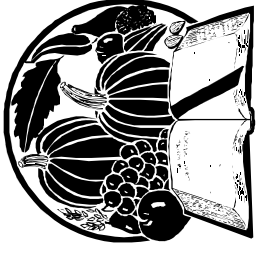
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<b>Chocolate Milk</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>TUES</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>THURS</b>	<b>FRI</b>
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# OCTOBER 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	<b>2</b> <u>Apple Pie Sale</u> Pick up pies from 1-6:00 p.m. at Rocky Bakery & Deli  <u>Volleyball</u> RCS @ Les. - B teams	<b>3</b> <u>Volleyball</u> St. Dom's @ RCS - A teams <b>Grade 5/6 soccer</b> Ponoka @ RCS - 4:15 p.m. P.R. Meeting	<b>4</b> <u>Volleyball</u> RCS @ WCHS - A girls	<b>5</b> Hot Lunch <b>Grade 5/6 soccer</b> Rimbey @ RCS - 3:30 p.m. Ed. Com. Meeting	<b>6</b> School closed for WRSD/regular school day for RCS. Buses will run.	<b>7</b>
8	<b>9</b>  <b>THANKSGIVING</b>	<b>10</b> <u>Volleyball</u> DT @ RCS - A teams Promotions Meeting	<b>11</b> <u>Volleyball</u> RCS @ WCHS - A girls	<b>12</b> <u>Volleyball</u> RCS @ St. Matt's - A teams Board Meeting	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Grade 5/6 soccer tournament in Rimbey @ 10:30 a.m.
15	<b>16</b> <u>Volleyball</u> RCS @ St. Dom's - A teams	<b>17</b> <u>Volleyball</u> Pioneer @ RCS - B teams Finance Meeting	<b>18</b> <b>C.S.I.</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Teachers' Convention</b> No School	<b>20</b> <b>Convention</b>	<b>21</b>
22	<b>23</b> <u>Volleyball</u> RCS @ St. Dom's - A teams	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> See You At The Pole! 8:00 a.m. <u>Volleyball</u> Condor @ RCS - B teams	<b>26</b> Newsletter goes out	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
29	<b>30</b> <u>Volleyball</u> St. Matt's @ RCS - B teams	<b>31</b> <u>Volleyball</u> WCHS @ RCS - A girls				

"Give thanks to the LORD; call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.  
Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts." Psalms 105:1-2