

Wednesday Warrior!

January 4, 2017



Principal Message:

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

Before we share our updates this week, we would like to take a moment to share our appreciation for our community support towards our Christmas Hamper Drive. We were able to adopt 7 HWW families and provided gifts and food based on each family's wish list. Thank you to all the **staff, students, and parents** for their generous contributions. A special thank you to **Friends of Wise Wood** for donating 5 turkeys and 5 hams, **Southland Leisure Centre** for donating day passes to their facility, and **Mari's Sewing and Alteration** for providing free alterations to a donated winter coat. We could not have accomplished this without your help and thank you for making this a special time of year for these families.

At our School Council meeting in December, we heard from representatives from our student wellness group about a number of initiatives at HWW to bring awareness and strategies to alleviate anxiety and stress in students. One plan includes a **Fuel your Brain Breakfast Initiative**, where breakfast items will be available for students in the Main Foyer each morning during the exam period in January. In addition to the \$1000 from Co-Op that was donated to the wellness group, our School Council also donated \$400 and their volunteer time to support the initiative. Should you be interested in volunteering, please email Juanita Spielman at jaspielman@cbe.ab.ca.

As well, during the School Council meeting, we learned that thanks to the volunteers who helped run the casino in August, HWW has been allocated **\$66,650.00** to spend on supporting the growing wish-list items from our school – we will share this list during the February School Council and look forward the discussion on spending priorities.

Finally, we look forward to the parent presentation on *Drugs, Alcohol & Teens* **Tuesday, Jan 10 @6:30-8:00pm**. Our School Resource Officer, Cst. Sally Zerk will also be in attendance at the presentation. Should you be interested in attending, please RSVP to jaspielman@cbe.ab.ca

Have a great week!

Michelle Howell
Principal

Important Dates:

Jan 16-30 – Final Exams ([Please click here for dates](#))

Jan 19 - Diploma Mark Appeals (9:00 -12:00)

Jan 26 - Appeals Non-Diploma (9:00 – 12:00)

Jan 31 - Semester 2 Begins/ Report Cards distributed in Homeroom

School Updates:

January Exams

- Exams run from Jan.16th -30th
- Exam schedule was posted Oct.28th/16
- Please double check your exams times and add them to your calendar/phone

- Please remember your ID and all writing materials
- International Students- please pay for your exams on myPass- contact Mr. Barile if you have a concern
- There is **no** regular bus service during exams – students are responsible to find their own way to school and are expected to be on time for exams

Essay Writing Contest

Beaverbrook Vimy Prize: Students aged 15-17 are invited to participate in an essay writing contest to win a trip to see Vimy Ridge and other WWI and WWII sites this summer. Please see Ms. Bamford in Room 120 for details. The deadline for entry is March 1

Can you host an International Student?

CBE and the Canada Homestay Network (CHN) have a number of homestay hosting opportunities coming up. We invite you to welcome an international student studying at **Henry Wise Wood** into your family for one semester or a full year.

For more information visit www.whyihost.ca/calgary or call CHN at (403) 456-6426.

There is also a link to an on-line application to be a host family:

<http://www.canadahomestayinternational.com/applicationprocess.html>

Athletics:

Happy New Year Warriors! Welcome back to a short but sweet basketball season for the month of January. This week all teams are practicing for their games next week and at the end of the month.

Here's something new: The Sports Quote of the Week.

"Gold medals aren't really made of gold. They're made of sweat, determination and a hard to find alloy...guts!"

Creative Arts:

Henry Wise Wood's Theatre Department is excited to announce that this year's production will be ***The Musical Little Shop of Horrors!*** Anyone interested in being a part of this production, either on or off stage, **MUST** come to a mandatory information meeting **Wednesday January 11**, during lunch starting at 11:50 in the Drama room 138.

In addition, we are also looking for a rehearsal pianist so any students, or staff, that are interested in assisting by offering their piano skills please see Mrs. Kirton-Peterson in the drama room asap.

All singing levels and experience levels are encouraged to come! Looking forward to seeing a whole lot of you on Wednesday

Student Services:

CBE e-learn online

Registration for Winter Session courses ends on **February 13, 2017**. Course access for Winter Session core courses begin on February 2, 2017. Courses taken in this session must be completed by June 14, 2017.

Pre-learn, CALM and CTS courses are available all school year with ongoing weekly access.

Career Chatter

Attention Girls in Grades 10 and 11. Are you considering studying Engineering at University? If you're thinking about it you should take advantage of this: **Women in Engineering day at University of Calgary, Feb 22, 2017**. The event includes information on engineering, demonstrations and presentations by the different departments in the Engineering faculty, and a panel discussion lead by successful female engineers. Space at this all-day field trip (with lunch provided) is limited and is available on a first-come first-serve basis. Please see Ms. Boehr, the Student Services secretary, to sign up.

Two Great Dual Credit Opportunities (Short Notice!)

- a. **Health Care Aide Certificate Program** – This two-semester program is offered at **Bow Valley College** beginning in February 2017 and continuing in Sept. 2017. Upon completion of the two semesters, the student will need to complete a 200 hour practicum before they are granted the Certificate. This program is in high demand at BVC (approx. 8 month waiting list) and graduates are in very high demand in various Health Care settings. For more information about this program visit the BVC website at <http://bowvalleycollege.ca/programs-and-courses/health-care/health-care-aide-programs/health-care-aide-certificate-full-time>

- b. **Criminal Justice Studies Diploma** – This one-semester program in February 2017 can provide students with 10CTS credits toward their high school diploma and 6 credits (two full courses) toward completion of the Bow Valley College Criminal Justice diploma. Further information about his program can be found on the BVC website: <http://bowvalleycollege.ca/programs-and-courses/justice.html>

If either of these courses is of interest, please see Mr. Smith in the Student Services office for further information and an application form.

HWW Online Resources – Over the past few weeks, Mr. Smith has been updating the Henry Wise Wood Career and Education Planning pages on the school website. There are some excellent links on that page, definitely worth exploring for information that will be helpful for planning your future. Check it out! <http://www.henrywisewood.com/career-and-education.html>

For more information please go to our [School Website](#) or download our HWW App from the Google Store