

ÉCOLE A.E. BOWERS ELEMENTARY



THE BUZZ

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!
WE WOULDN'T BEE THE SAME WITHOUT YOU!

June 2025



ADMIN MESSAGE

Can you believe we're in June already? The school year has absolutely flown by. We've had a lot of fun this past month with field trips and spirit days, and we will be continuing to enjoy the beautiful weather that June brings upon us.

This month we are striking that ever important balance of keeping routines intact, celebrating student accomplishments, and transitioning our students into next year. We recognize that June is a month full of excitement and emotions, as change is wonderful and difficult all at the same time!

We are happy to be growing next year, which means we won't be having a farewell assembly since our Grade 4 English and 5 French Immersion students will be staying one more year.

Mme Hooper and Mrs. Friesen

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

"Dress As a Pirate Day"

June 2nd

Pirates! Black Skull Crew

June 3rd - 6PM

Pirates! Kraken Crew

June 5th - 6PM

Field Day!

June 6th - AM

"Running Rabbits" Performance

June 12th

"Beach Spirit Day"

June 19th

"Last Day of School"

June 25



INTERESTED IN HELPING OUR SCHOOL?

Friends of A.E. Bowers and our Parent Council meet on the second Thursday of each month. Our next meeting is **Thursday, June 12th at 6:00PM** and will take place in AEBs staffroom. All are welcome!

Our Friends of A.E. Bowers Society meets monthly to discuss events, fundraising activities, and the future needs of our school. If you are passionate about fundraising, come and join us, we have lots of work to do!

School Councils have a vital advisory role, representing parent and community perspectives in school decision-making. Councils also facilitate communication between the school and the community.

We are actively seeking members for the 2025-2026 school year. Be sure to stop by to see what all the buzz is about!



LITERACY AND NUMERACY REASSESSMENTS FOR GRADES 1-3

Some students in Grades 1-3 who have been receiving intervention support in literacy and/or numeracy will be reassessed on one or more provincial assessments in late May to early June. Please note: Not all students will be reassessed. Kindergarten students are not required to be reassessed. Final data will be returned to RVS in August; your child's next-year teacher will have access to the information to make informed decisions about intervention supports needed.

Thank you for your understanding and support in our ongoing commitment to support student learning. If you are unsure if your child is being reassessed please reach out to their teacher. Read more about understanding provincial and divisional assessments on the RVS website.

ASSESSMENT AT RVS: NUMERACY AND LITERACY INTERVENTIONS

Rocky View Schools is sharing a series of articles on the division website regarding assessments: the process of gathering data about student learning. This information is intended to help provide greater insight into why and when assessments are done and encourage ongoing communication between teachers and families to support student success.

Read the second article in our series this month, [covering numeracy and literacy interventions at RVS](#). Our earlier article, [Understanding Provincial and Divisional Assessments](#), is also available on our website.

REGISTER NOW TO SAVE ON TRANSPORTATION FEES

ROCKY VIEW SCHOOLS (RVS) HAS OPENED TRANSPORTATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2025/26 SCHOOL YEAR THROUGH SCHOOLENGAGE. PARENTS/GUARDIANS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER BY JUNE 30 TO RECEIVE A \$40 DISCOUNT OR BY AUG. 1 TO ENSURE BUS SERVICE FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL.

IN RESPONSE TO RISING COSTS, TRANSPORTATION FEES HAVE INCREASED FOR THE COMING SCHOOL YEAR. A LIST OF FEES IS AVAILABLE ON THE RVS WEBSITE. FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT TO OFFSET SOME OF THE TRANSPORTATION COST. ELIGIBLE FAMILIES MAY ALSO APPLY TO HAVE THEIR TRANSPORTATION FEES WAIVED BY COMPLETING A TRANSPORTATION FEE WAIVER.

THE JUNE 30 EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT OF \$40 IS EXTENDED TO EACH OF THE FIRST TWO KINDERGARTEN – GRADE 12 STUDENTS IN A FAMILY, WITH ADDITIONAL STUDENTS RECEIVING \$20 OFF IF REGISTERING EARLY. A MINIMUM PAYMENT OF 50 PER CENT IS DUE AT REGISTRATION. BUS SERVICE MAY BE CANCELLED UP UNTIL OCT. 31 TO RECEIVE A FULL REFUND FOR ALL FEES PAID.

FAMILIES ARE URGED TO REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO ENSURE A SMOOTH START TO THE FALL. TO GUARANTEE SERVICE FOR THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE AUG. 1. STUDENTS REGISTERED AFTER THIS DEADLINE MAY EXPERIENCE DELAYS OF TWO TO THREE WEEKS BEFORE THEY CAN RIDE THE BUS. A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO REGISTRATION, FEE INFORMATION AND MORE IS AVAILABLE ON THE TRANSPORTATION SECTION OF THE RVS WEBSITE.

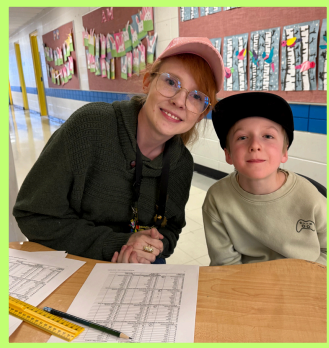
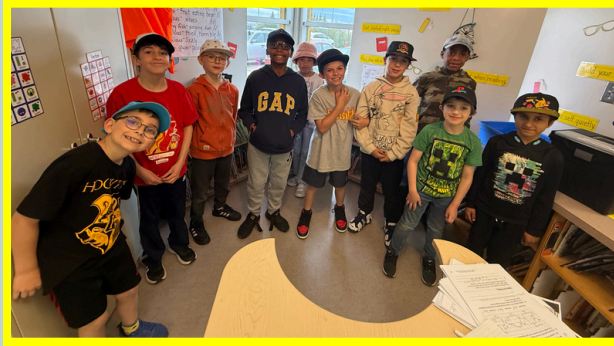




HATS ON FOR MENTAL HEALTH

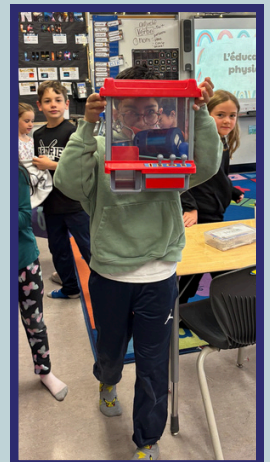
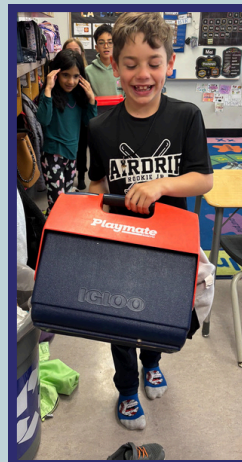
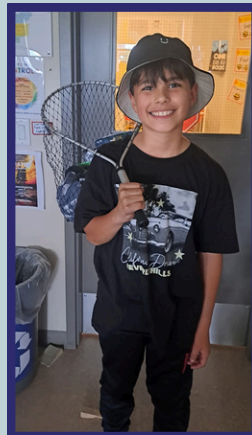
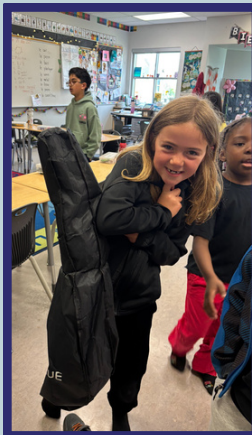


A.E. Bowers staff and students participated with other schools in RVS and all across Canada to wear their hats and show support for normalizing recognizing the importance of Mental Health and Wellbeing for all.



ANYTHING BUT A BACKPACK DAY!

Students and staff brought their belongings to school in anything but a backpack!
Check out these fun and creative ideas!



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?



Students in Grade ½ Schlichter got to meet with Liz Shannon to learn about how RVS Grounds Crews plant and take care of gardens around schools.

Next steps are to work together to plant flowers in the garden!



WADE THE WATER DROP

Wade the Water Dude from the City of Airdrie came to drop off rain barrels for our outdoor learning/garden project!

Thanks, Wade!



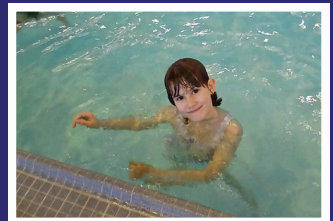
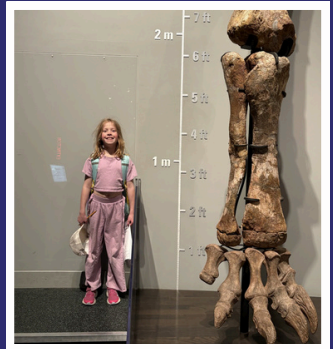
THE TOOTH FAIRY

Our Grade 1s enjoyed a visit from the Tooth Fairy courtesy of YouFirst Dental and Dr. Manon Foidart. Students practiced brushing and learned how to keep their teeth clean and healthy.



CHECK IT OUT!

So many things happened this month. Take a look at everything we have been doing - swimming lessons, building bat houses, presenting at the Calgary Zoo's Conservation Champion's Festival, and field trips to The Confluence and The Royal Tyrell Museum!



LITTLE RED READING HOUSE

Congratulations to 4Me for reading the most minutes in our school Read-a-thon! As a special treat, they were able to visit the Little Red Reading House. Check out their adventures!



5W & 4/5L enjoyed a day of hiking in Kananaskis.

QUACK, QUACK!

Check out these sweet little ducklings that waddled through A.E. Bowers recently.





JAYS CARE - GIRLS AT BAT



This year, our school was proud to host a Jays Care Foundation Girls at Bat baseball team! The team was made up of enthusiastic students from Grades 3 to 5 who dedicated themselves to practicing once a week for 10 weeks. Thanks to the generous support of the Toronto Blue Jays, the school received \$800 worth of equipment and each player received their own t-shirt and hat. Beyond learning the fundamentals of baseball, the team built strong friendships, developed their teamwork skills, and discovered a genuine love for the game. We're so proud of everything the Girls at Bat team accomplished this season. Here are a few photos of our 2025 team in action! Special thanks to Mme Schlichter for all her hard work making this opportunity happen!



INTRAMURALS

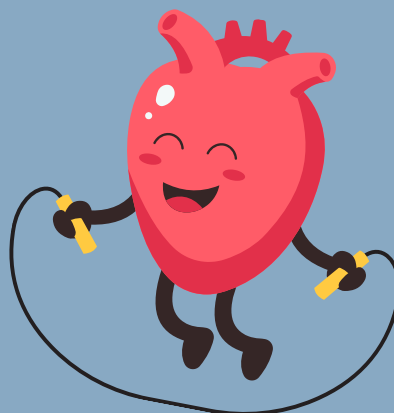
Congratulations to 4/5 L who won the Bowers Cup during soccer intramurals. Students are working hard on playing fair, being a good sport, and working together as a team.



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Skipping Makes Cents!

During the month of June, students are encouraged to bring in their change to support Jump Rope for Heart! We will have a large container, wearing a Jump Rope for Heart t-shirt, available at the office for students to drop their cents in. Larger donations can be made online using the information on the next page. Skipping Makes Cents - we can do it, AEB!



Presenting Partner



Support heart health with Jump Rope for Heart

Our school is participating in Jump Rope for Heart – a fundraiser that will encourage our students to get active, build healthy habits and give back.

Here's why we're participating

1. Money raised by our school helps Heart & Stroke drive important heart and brain research that will save lives, prevent heart disease and stroke and support families living with these conditions.
2. Jump is an inclusive event for all abilities to get kids moving and help them discover new and exciting ways to get active.
3. Students learn the EASY Healthy Habits that they can use to keep their hearts and brains healthy and help reduce their risk of developing heart disease and stroke later in life.
4. If our school fundraises more than \$1,000, we will receive 5% of our fundraising dollars back to put towards what we need most – or we can donate it back to Heart & Stroke.

How does Jump Rope for Heart work?

At school:

- Starting today, we'll be practicing some awesome skipping and heart-pumping activities!
- We'll be learning about Heart & Stroke's Easy Healthy Habits to keep our hearts and brains strong and healthy to help prevent heart disease and stroke
- It all leads up to our Jump Event Day, where we'll celebrate what we've learned and the funds we've raised with fun jump rope stations, games, activities, and more. It's going to be a blast!

Our Jump Event Day is:

Friday, June 20th

To learn more about Jump Rope for Heart visit jumpropeforheart.ca

At home:

- You can help support lifesaving research by collecting donations from family and friends.
- There is no cost to participate.
- Fundraising starts now until our Jump Event Day
- Jump Rope for Heart uses an online fundraising platform. To register, create a personalized fundraising page for your child using the link below. When you register, you'll also get:
 - Helpful fundraising tips and ideas
 - Information and tools about the EASY Healthy Habits
 - Insights into Heart & Stroke's life-saving work

Register Now!

[AE Bowers Elementary - Airdrie](#)

or visit jumpropeforheart.ca/registration and search for your school



Do you have a child diagnosed with ADHD, or are wondering if your child might have ADHD? We will discuss information about ADHD such as symptoms and causes, resources available to support you and your child, the process of getting a diagnosis and explore parenting strategies that can help set your child up for success. You may also be interested in checking out the "Parenting Children with Anxiety" workshop on August 28, 2025 or October 30, 2025.

Age range: For parents/caregivers of children 5 - 12 years (ADULTS ONLY)

Date: Thursday, June 19, 2025

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Registration deadline: Thursday, June 12, 2025

Cost: No cost (donations gratefully accepted)

Location: Community Links, 211, 125 Main St. N.W., Airdrie



PARENTING CHILDREN WITH ADHD

Are you the parent/caregiver of a child with an anxiety disorder or that is experiencing stress that is overwhelming and impacting their day-to-day life? We will discuss information about anxiety such as symptoms and causes, look at resources available to support you and your child, and explore coping and parenting strategies that can help set your child up for success. You may also be interested in checking out the "Parenting Children with ADHD" workshop on June 19, 2025, August 21, 2025 or October 23, 2025.

Age range: For parents/caregivers of children 7 - 14 years (ADULTS ONLY)

Date: Thursday, June 26, 2025

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Registration deadline: Thursday, June 19, 2025

Cost: No cost (donations gratefully accepted)

Location: Community Links, 211, 125 Main St. N.W., Airdrie



Parenting Children with Anxiety