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Principal's Corner

On April 30 we had our last School Council meeting of the school year. We had lots of good discussion about the school budget for 2024-25 school year. Based on the numbers provided to our school, we are having to plan for a 1.5 full time equivalent teacher reduction for 2024-25. There is little doubt that this will have an impact both curricular and extra-curricular activities. I don't anticipate any reductions in course offerings available, but the number of course offerings likely will decrease in addition to some increases in class sizes in some courses. The drop in student enrollment, at JR

Robson and the entire BTPS school division, is the biggest contributing factor. Our next meeting will not be now until September.

On April 30 BTPS hosted their annual Public Speaking Contest and I want to congratulate Bentley Buckingham and Olivia Elder who represented our school. Both did an excellent job, and Olivia was able to secure a silver medal in Division IV.

Just a reminder that May 3 is a professional development day for teachers. The JR teachers are headed to Blue

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Around the School



Grade 7 Science students created fossils out of molds.

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Want to know what is happening in the school?

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Website:

jrrps.ca
School Calendar
<http://jrrps.ca/Calendar.php>

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<https://www.facebook.com/JRRobsonSchool/>
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Principal's Corner Continued

Quills to do a tour of the residential school and then we are off to Fort George for a tour of that historic site. We are all looking forward to these learning opportunities. On May 5th, it is National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women. Thank you to Mr. Maier for creating a classroom activity for the students to participate in to raise awareness for this Day and what it means. Also thank you to Ms. To and the students who helped create an awareness display in our showcase.

On June 3, we will host the VES Grade 6 class for the annual Grade 7 orientation day. Every year we invite the Grade 6 class to attend our building for the day and go through a typical day class schedule. We look forward to them joining us.

Superintendent's Public Speaking Contest

Buffalo Trail Public Schools hosted the 12th Annual Superintendent's Public Speaking Competition on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at J.R. Robson School in Vermilion. They hosted over 50 students, staff, parents, and family members while also broadcasting it live to schools and families who were not able to attend.

Congratulations to our Marauders who participated:

Bentley Buckingham was in Division III (Grade 7-9).

Olivia Elder was in Division IV (Grade 10-12) and won Silver!

[Official Results](#)

May 5th is the national
day of awareness of
**Missing and Murdered
Indigenous Women
and Girls (MMIWG)**

Also known as Red Dress Day



Counsellor's Corner

Thank you to all parents and students for your quick response with regards to completing the online registration for the 2023-24 school year. Timetabling can begin. The timetable will be developed over the course of the next month or so and student timetables will be available in June.

The annual **Try-A-Trade Event** was held in Lloydminster on April 30, 2024. The grade 10 students tried some new trades and made job connections.

Grade 9 students attended Lakeland College's Lloydminster Campus Tour on Monday, May 6, 2024 for a tour of the campus. Thank you to Lakeland College and Buffalo Trail Public Schools for facilitating this event.

Attention Grade 12 Students:

- **Diploma exams are to be written in June. Please plan around your exam schedule.**
- **High School students in the RAP program** should apply for the RAP Scholarships. Please see this link: <https://tradesecrets.alberta.ca/apprentice-services/get-financial-support/scholarships/>
- **Rutherford Scholarship & other Government Scholarship Applications:** Check out: <http://studentaid.alberta.ca> for the information about registering. You need to

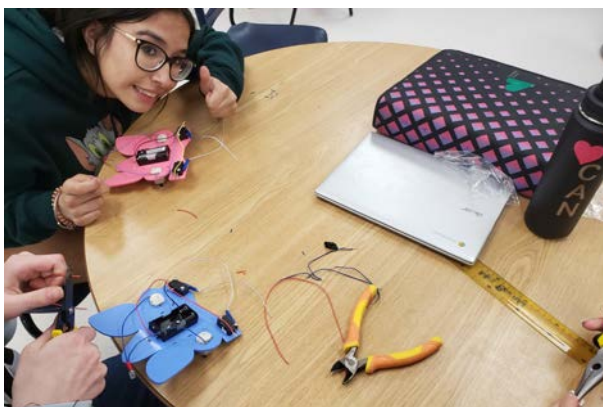
apply one month prior to beginning your post-secondary studies to receive the scholarship.

- **Student Loan Information:** Student loan information will also be found at <http://studentaid.alberta.ca>
- **BTPS Student Email Accounts:** These accounts will be disabled/expire three months after you have left school. Please make sure you change your email addresses if you have important contact information coming to these addresses.

Work Experience, RAP & Green Certificate Students: If you are enrolled in this program, you will need to hand in **your hours and evaluation forms at the end of May** for any hours which you earned during the school year. A **new program agreement must be in place to earn summer hours.** See Mrs. Hart or Mrs. Polishuk for more details.

Good luck to our junior high students as you participate in the **school track and field meet on Wednesday, May 15, 2024.** Lunch will be served on that day.

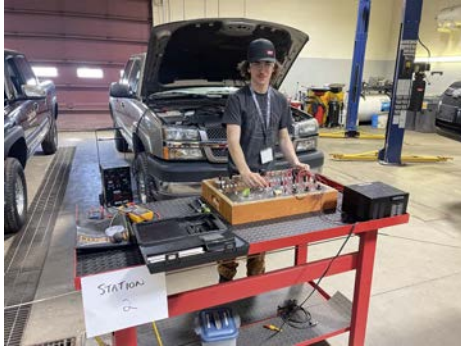
We will be welcoming the Grade 6 class from VES on **Monday, June 3, 2024 for Grade 6 Orientation.** **Grade 7 students** will be staying home as we introduce the Grade 6s to J. R. Robson.



Grade 9 Science students wired “bugs” then let them loose to race each other.



Explore, Create, Achieve



JR Robson had two contestants enter the Lakeland College High School Regional Skills Competition on Monday, April 22, 2024. The two categories and names of the students that entered were: Hunter Carlson – Mechanics



After the ELA 20-1 class listened to Chapter 1 of *Lord of the Flies*, they had to analyze Golding's description of the island to create modeling dough microcosms. Students will continue to work on their islands and add to them throughout the novel.



Kane Fadden – Electrical
The two boys did very well and had an amazing experience learning and showing off their talents. The two of them were excellent representatives of JR Robson School.



35 senior high art students attended the Art field trip to Edmonton last Friday. We stopped by Allard Hall, MacEwan's fine arts campus located downtown, to have a look at the Graduate Exhibition, tour the studios and learning spaces, and hear the program director explain how to apply for various art-related studies. From there we walked to Yunshang Noodle House for lunch, where noodles are made fresh and broth is cooked for 12 hours. Mr Bates was our bus driver and navigated us from Vermilion to downtown Edmonton, to a vibrant area of 124 Street where we broke into small groups to visit up to 7 private art galleries. Packed day!



Marauder Sports



Junior High Badminton had a great season. The Girl's Singles McKenna McLachlan placed silver at BTPS highway 16 North and silver at BTPS Finals in Irma School. The Girl's Doubles Alexis Foulds and Daisy Doney placed silver at BTPS highway 16 North and 3rd at BTPS Finals in Irma School. Congratulations to all of the junior high badminton players on having such a successful season.



JR Robson student Emma Howe is pictured (bottom left) with the first ever U13 AA Female Hockey banner won over the Easter weekend! Emma and her team took home gold and had an undefeated regular season!



Mental Health Week MAY 6-12, 2024

This year's Mental Health Week theme is compassion. When we show compassion and kindness, it can make a difference.

We encourage you to check in daily this week for Move Your Mood ideas to try.



Interested in more ideas on how to create positive connections and build a healthy lifestyle?

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Thank You!

And once again, thank you to Cornerstone Co-op for their continued support of our meal programs.

June 2024 Exam Schedule

Date	Exams
Monday, May 13	ELA 9 Part A
Wednesday, June 12	Social 30-1 Part A Social 30-2 Part A ELA 9 Part B
Thursday, June 13	Math 9 Part A
Tuesday, June 18	Math 9 Part B
Wednesday, June 19	Social 30-1 Part B Social 30-2 Part B Social 9 ELA 10-1 Math 10C Math 20-1 ELA 8 ELA 7
Thursday, June 20	Science 9 Biology 20 Science 14 Science 24 Math 8 Social 7
Friday, June 21	No exams written on this day. Regular Instruction Day
Monday, June 24	Chemistry 30 Social 10-1 Science 10 ELA 20-1 Social 8 Science 7
Tuesday, June 25	Physics 30 Math 20-2 Social 10-2
Wednesday, June 26	Science 30

May Hot Lunch






Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

		hotdog & fries ¹		no school for students ³
chicken dinner ⁶		perogies & sausage ⁸		IT'S DAY ¹⁰ 
Subway Day ¹³	Booster Juice day ¹⁴	cheeseburger, hamburger, or hotdog ¹⁵	May Long Weekend begins. ¹⁶	May Long Weekend ¹⁷
May Long Weekend ²⁰		chicken ceasar salad & garlic toast ²²		IT'S DAY ²⁴ 
tortellini & pasta sauce ²⁷		Taco Salad ²⁹		IT'S DAY ³¹ 

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