

Thompson Telegraph

At Sarah Thompson School we nurture relationships, agency, belonging, and inclusion to cultivate academic success and personal wellness for everyone.



It is hard to believe that there is only one month of school left! June is an exciting and busy one for everyone. Classes are all a buzz finishing up curriculum, year-end projects, assessments, field trips, and other amazing events!! With the weather becoming nicer, it is tempting to take more long weekends, but we do ask you limit these, as regularly attending school remains very important. Be sure to check the school calendar for all important dates and contact the office or your child's teacher if you require clarification. Here's to another great year!!!!

In honour of National Indigenous History Month and National Indigenous Peoples Day, June 21st, STS will be placing emphasis on activities that recognize and celebrate the history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis across Canada. On June 3 we will be welcoming Henri Giroux, a Cree educator, author, and storyteller from Driftpile First Nation. Henri is the author of *Sharing the Land We Call Home*, a thoughtful and engaging picture book for children ages 5–9. During her visit, Henri will read her book and facilitate an interactive author session with students, helping them explore Treaty 7 and land acknowledgments through the eyes of a visitor. And on June 18th we will once again be welcoming Syrianna, Sage and Skye Running Rabbit to teach us all about some Indigenous dancing. Be sure to ask your child(ren) all about it!



Have your say...OurSCHOOL Survey

Thank you so much to all families for completing the OurSCHOOL survey. If you haven't had a chance to complete it... it's not too late, you have until June 6th. This survey gives you the chance to **provide your feedback anonymously** into school initiatives. The survey is voluntary, but we encourage you to participate, so we get a better understanding how you feel the school supports learning, positive behaviour and promotes a safe and inclusive environment. Click [here](#) to complete the survey. Thanks so much!

Are you Moving?

If your child is planning to attend a different school than STS next September, please let the office know as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly.



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Report Cards

With year-end approaching, teachers are once again busy assessing their students and inputting grades and comments into PowerSchool. We want to take the opportunity to remind you that a child's learning is cumulative and not all learning outcomes are 'graded' equal. Teachers prioritize outcomes they feel are necessary for success in the next grade; literacy and numeracy skills continue to be our focus. Therefore, you may notice your child's 'grades' change as teachers start to input the more heavily weighted cumulative outcomes. As report cards are now digital click [here](#) for instructions on how to view and print your child's report card. Report cards will be available on June 25, 2025. In the meantime, please continue to check PowerSchool for information regarding your child's progress and do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher should you have any questions.

Grade 5 Transition and Farewell

The grade 5 transition is off to great start! Our Learning support Team met with Langdon School's team on May 23rd to discuss our kids, specifically those with SSP's. A small group of grade 5's went over on May 26th for a pre-tour, and on May 30th all of our 5's went to Langdon School for a tour and stayed to enjoy the Spring Band concert. On June 12th LS grade 5's will be joining us for our 'Granny Awards' play and then again on June 17th for a 'Picnic-n-Play'! And as a reminder, the grade 5 ceremony will follow the play (certificates and BBQ).

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:

1. **Not all students** will be reassessed.
2. **Kindergarten students** are not required to be reassessed.
3. 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](#).

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.

Please support our Grade 5 Field Trip Fundraiser!

We're selling fun school supplies and cool items to help raise money for our final exciting Grade 5 adventure as Sarah Thompson students!

Here's what's available:



Popcorn and Diamond Pens \$3.00
Pop-it Pens and Rainbow Erasers \$2.00
Seashell Erasers \$1.50
Posters \$3.00
Bookmarks for just 50 cents!
Items can be purchased during lunch.



It's back.....

'Stock-Up for Summer Reading' Book Fair

which will run June 9th-13th!

Students will be able to purchase books during their regularly scheduled library times, during lunch recess or on the evening of Tuesday, June 10th from 3:00-6:00.

STS Day!

We need your help!

We are looking for parent **volunteers** to help run stations at our year-end STS Day on June 23rd! Plus... we are looking for items to be donated to make the day a memorable one. Items include: face paint, bubbles, squirt guns and temporary tattoos.

If you are able to volunteer please click [here](#) to sign up.

Learning Commons

This is the last week students will be allowed to sign out books from the Learning Commons. All library books are due back the week of June 10th-14th. Overdue notices will start coming home the following week. If your child brings home a notice, please assist them in locating their book(s)! Any unreturned/lost items will be placed onto SchoolCash.

Post Card Design Contest

Today students were informed about designing a cover for the 'Welcome Back to School' POSTCARD! The winning postcard design will be used by all teachers this fall when they welcome students back into their classrooms.

REQUIREMENTS: Size: Design needs to be 4x6

Heading: Postcard needs a 'heading'... students were told to be creative. Here are some suggestions: 'Welcome to Sarah Thompson School', 'Welcome Back to School', 'Let the Adventure Begin', 'It's Back to School Time'.

All design submissions are due Friday, June 13th at 1:00pm and can be handed in at the office.

We look forward to seeing all the designs!!!



A huge thank you goes out to Garden Scents and Save on Foods for the donations made to our Garden of Gratitude Volunteer Appreciation tea held last week!

Volunteers Still Needed!

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the grade 5 Farewell BBQ June 13th. If you are able to help and are **not** a parent of a grade 5 student... we want our grade 5 parents to enjoy their child's farewell celebration, please click [here](#) if you can help out.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank FoSTES for their continued efforts and support. As a school community we are always working hard to ensure we can provide our school with the funds necessary to purchase equipment and programs that will enhance our children's experience at Sarah Thompson.

Some examples of the items/programs that FoSTES has funded this school year are:

- Robots
- Sports equipment
- Partial payment of swim fees and bussing for swim lessons (grades 3-5)
- FinS fish program plus bussing to release the fish in Strathmore
- Purchasing books and prizes for Battle of the Books/Lite
- Quest Theatre performance (in school)
- New iPads and Chromebooks
- Bussing to Heritage Park for Year-end AMA Patrol Picnic

For more information or to express interest in volunteering ... as we are always looking for more volunteers, please contact friendsofstesociety@gmail.com.

School Council

Our last School Council meeting of the year will be June 16th 1:15 pm in the Learning Commons. At last month's AGM, elections were held for Council positions, and we are pleased to announce that all positions were filled! If you are still interested in volunteering on Council, please join us! Thanks to all our School Council members that have volunteered their time to fulfill Council positions and to all the parents for attending meetings this year. Your participation, suggestions and feedback are greatly appreciated!



Click [Trellis Commons](#) to learn about all the exciting events happening in the area!

Click [here](#) for FREE Parent & Caregiver Education Sessions (MHCB Stepping Stones to Mental Health)

Click [here](#) for more information on Community Resources!



Sarah Thompson Schedule

A digital copy of June's Newsletter can be viewed on our website at thompson.rockyview.ab.ca.

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June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Milk Gr. 1 to Zoo Gr. 2 to Heritage Park	3 Milk Henri Giroux Author Visit	4 McDonalds Lunch	5 Milk Patrol Picnic Staff Appreciation Lunch	6 Milk NO KINDERGARTEN FINS Release	7
8	9 Milk BOGO Scholastic Bookfair	10 Milk	11 Pizza Hut Lunch	12 Milk Gr. 4 Blackfoot Crossing Fieldtrip	13 NO KINDERGARTEN Gr. 5 Farewell Play & BBQ	14
15	16 Milk School Council Meeting @ 1:15pm	17 Milk Granary Road Field Trip for Kindergarten	18 Subway Lunch Running Rabbits Presentation	19 Milk Splash Party	20 Milk NO KINDERGARTEN	21
22	23 STS Day	24 Monster Golf & Village Square Field Trip for Gr. 5 Glow Party	25 Last Day of Classes for 2025	26 Summer Vacation Starts!!!!	27	28

