ALCOMA'S NEWSLETTER

May 2026

Important Dates

May 1 - Kindergarten Day
May 1 & 2 - Badminton Zones in Brooks
May 7 - Alberta Prairie Meats Delivery
May 7 - PreK to Gr.3 Fire Truck comes to Alcoma
May 10 - Mothers Day Brunch at Rainier Hall @ 11:00 am
May 12 - Kindergarten Guest - Lambs
May 13 - Gr 6 Immunizations
May 14 - Hot Breakfast
May 14 - Junior High Track Meet in Bassano
May 15 - No School
May 18 - No School Victoria Day
May 19 - CTS Trailer arrives
May 21 - Gr. 9 PAT English Part A
May 22 - No School
May 25 - Gr 6 Sweet Tooth Field Trip
May 26 - SAC Meeting @ 2:00 pm
May 26 - Hot Lunch
May 28 - Tacky Tourist Dress Up Day
May 28 - Gr. 4 to 6 Track Meet in Duchess
May 29 - Kindergarten Day
June 2 to 4 - JH Camping Trip
June 4 - PreK to Gr 3 Year End Field Trip

Sports

Mixed Badminton JH High

Medicine Hat Mega Tournament

Brawley & Alex - 2nd in Boys Doubles Bantam
Gavin & Ashley - 3rd in Mixed Doubles Midget

Griffin Tournament Gr. 6

Hunter & Wilhelm - 2nd in Boys Doubles Gr. 6

JH Zone Qualifiers

Louis & Sebastian - 2nd in Boys Doubles Bantam
Kloee - 2nd in Girls Singles Midget
Ella & Harlow - 3rd in Girls Doubles Midget
Ashley & Gavin - 2nd in Mixed Doubles Juvenile

May Birthdays

May 3 - Carter
May 11 - Chloe
May 16 - Kade
May 22 - Hunter

April Birthdays Celebrated



Missing Mrs. Dahl

Thank You's

- To Mr. Irwin for coaching badminton
- To all parents and friends who purchased from the Alberta Prairie Meats Fundraiser
- To Bruce Balog, Mrs. Dahl and the junior high students for coaching mini-basketball.
- To the parents who ran hot breakfast
- To Mrs. Dahl for running Jump Rope for Heart.
- To Ashley Christensen for baking goodies for the Spring Tea.
- To our "Performance Stage" sponsors!
- To the Van den Hoek family for donating beans for our sensory bins.
- To Mr. Graham for being a great student teacher.

CLASSROOM NEWS

Miss. Polson

With the success of the trap building project with the Junior High students, we are continuing with hands-on activities to explore both plant and animal life cycles in Science. We have planted our seeds and look forward to finishing The Wild Robot. Our class enjoyed the challenge to create and perform a play in one week. It was so much fun and we thank all of the parents and community members who came to support us. As we make our way into the last months of school, we will continue to strengthen our math and literacy skills while enjoying the beautiful sunshine!

Mrs. Davidson

This month in Kindergarten the students continue to learn the alphabet and letter sounds while also working hard to learn how to spell their first and last names. We are now learning our numbers 1-20 and continuing to learn more sight words. They really enjoy looking through books to find the words they know. This is something they could be doing at home to help develop their reading skills. We have also been practicing memorizing phone numbers, and several students are already close to knowing them. Once a child has their phone number memorized, they will have the exciting opportunity to practice making a phone call to a parent from the school — so families may soon receive a very special surprise call! Aryiah has enjoyed learning to write her name and phone number. Corwin enjoys learning the alphabet. Clay enjoys learning everything, especially the alphabet, and Benjamin likes anything and everything, especially learning his phone number.

Our young gardeners have also been to the greenhouse where we planted peas and beans. They get to go water them in the hopes of seeing the first sprouts appear as we learn more about how plants grow.



Mrs. Dahl

Congratulations to everyone involved in the wonderful performances! I was so impressed by how confident and engaged the students were—you should all be very proud.

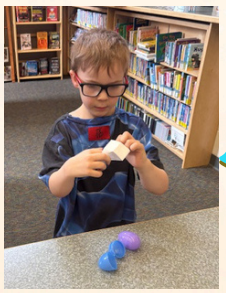
A special thank you to Mr. Graham. Even after graduating the day before, he still came back to support the performance. Thank you for everything you've done for the 4–6 students, and best of luck as you begin your journey as a certified teacher.

Looking ahead, I'm hoping for warmer weather so we can begin our track and field unit. In math, we're moving into fractions, and in reading and writing, we'll finish the year exploring figurative language and poetry. I'm looking forward to ending the year strong!

Mrs. Takeda

A big BRAVO to all of our students for the productions they put on with New West Theatre, and our kinders who sang and recited a poem at last weeks spring tea! Thanks to our Jr. High students for whipping up the cream puffs that were served as part of the goodies. Our Jr. High students also recently completed an appetizer challenge in Foods. Jandre and Gavin took first place with antojitos, although there were many delicious appies, including nachos, cheesy spinach dip, dumplings, bacon cheddar deviled eggs, and more! It's always a win in foods when we get to enjoy so many treats! Grades 4-6 students have also just finished presenting their "lip sync" projects! They were able to choose a live performance or a video presentation for the class and we had a variety of both. It was evident they all put in a great amount of effort and enjoyed themselves! Well done everyone!





May 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Kindergarten Day Badminton Zones	2 Badminton Zones in Brooks
3	4	5	6 Alberta Skills in Edmonton	7 Alberta Prairie Meat Delivery Kindergarten Fire Truck Visit	8	9
10 Mothers Day Brunch @ Rainier Hall	11	12 Surprise Visit for Kindergarten Class	13 Gr 6 Immunizations	14 Hot Breakfast JH Track Meet in Bassano	15 **No School**	16
17	18 **No School**	19 CTS Trailer Arrives	20	21 Gr 9 PAT English	22 **No School**	23
24	25 Gr 6 Sweet Tooth Field Trip	26 SAC Meeting @ 2:00 Hot Lunch	27	28 Spirit Day Tacky Tourist Gr 4-6 Track Meet in Duchess	29 Kindergarten Day	30
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EVENTS

Track & Field Meets

Please back approicate clothing for Track and Field Meets. Water bottles, hat and runners is needed. Please pack a lunch. Concession will be available.

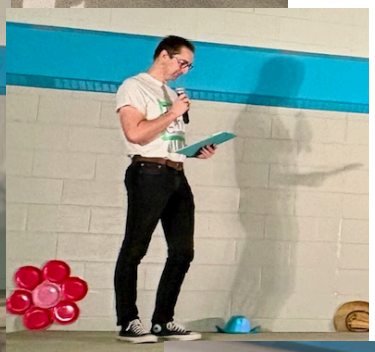
ALCOMA HAPPENINGS

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New West Theatre & Spring Tea















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Mini Basketball Season!























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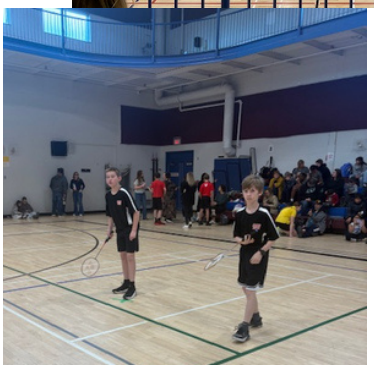


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Badminton























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MAY

April Golden Student of the Month



Jonah
Gr K-3



Ember
Gr 4-6



Blake
Gr 7-9

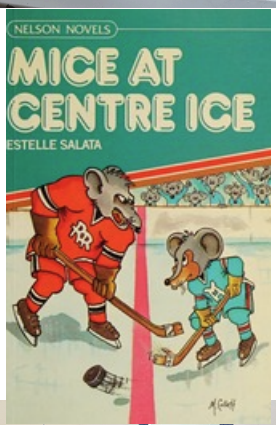
Education Week

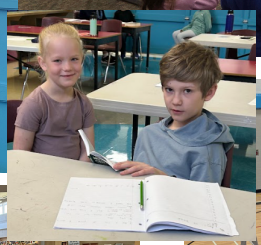


























ALCOMA HAPPENINGS

PAT Dates for Grade 6 and Grade 9

(Grade 4 and 5s will write the same days as grade 6 students.)

(Grade 7 and 8s will write the same days as grade 9 students.)

May 2026

Thursday, May 21 - Grade 9 English Language Arts Part A

Friday, May 22 - Grade 6 English Language Arts and Literature Part A

June 2026

Thursday, June 4 9 AM–10 AM Grade 6 English Language Arts Part B

Tuesday, June 9 - Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B

Thursday, June 11 - Grade 6 Social Studies

Friday, June 12 - Grade 6 Science

Monday, June 15 - Grade 6 Mathematics Part A

Tuesday, June 16 - Grade 9 Mathematics Part A

Thursday, June 18 - Grade 6 Mathematics Part B

Friday, June 19 - Grade 9 Mathematics Part B

Monday, June 22 - Grade 9 Social Studies

Tuesday, June 23 - Grade 9 Science





School Fundraiser WITH

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Book a Pre-K intake through our Early Learning Office (403) 793-6700 ext: 6208 or visit our website for more information.

NOW OPEN!

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Meat orders will be coming the week of May 7th. TBD

KINDERGARTEN and NEW STUDENTS

Grasslands Public Schools

REGISTRATION



NOW OPEN!

IN-SCHOOL or ONLINE

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Children turning 5 years old by December 31, 2024 are eligible to register for the Fall. Students attend the school closest to their residence. There is no cost to attend half-time Kindergarten.

If your child is turning 5 by December 31, 2026 you can come and register in-school or online

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAY

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY MAY 9TH 10-3PM

ROLLING HILLS SPRING

R. HILLS COMMUNITY HALL

MARKET & GARAGE SALES

Contact Shelby by <u>April 24th</u> to rent a table or host a garage sale at 403-363-0195 (Tables $25 & Supplied)

Thank you Mr. Graham for being a part of our school!



RAINIER COMMUNITY CLUB'S 4TH ANNUAL

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

- all are welcome -

WHEN | DATE: MAY 10, RAINIER COMMUNITY HALL | TIME: 11:00 AM 2:00 PM

TICKETS

$15 IN ADVANCE *(until May 3rd)*
$25 AT THE DOOR
$5 KIDS 6-11
Kids 5 & under are free!

MENU

Pancakes, Sausages, Hashbrowns, Scrambled Eggs, Berry Compote, Coffee, Tea + Juice

Mimosas, Shandys and Bailey's will be available for purchase

TO PURCHASE TICKETS:
tickets will be available with Corrie or Danielle at Alcoma School (until May 3rd)
From Cyndi (403-992-5835) or Dennis (403-376-6667)
or at the door on the day of the event

ROLLING HILLS GIANT PUMPKIN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

Join the 2026 Giant Pumpkin Growing Competition
$50 gets you 5 seeds ready to plant when spring arrives.
Receive a GPGA Seed Depth Tool and Journal with the purchase of a seed packet.
Seeds available now in person at the Rolling Hills Post Office or online at
https://www.rollinghills.ca/general-store.html
If your seeds do not germinate, please contact us for replacement seeds.
Official competition growing begins April 1, 2026

Grow big. Win big. Great prizes up for grabs!

Adult Category - 18 & up	Youth Category - 17 & under
1st Prize - $1000 + GPGA hoodie	1st Prize - $500 + GPGA hoodie
2nd Prize - $750	2nd Prize - $300
3rd Prize - $500	3rd Prize - $100

Join us this fall for the Giant Pumpkin Growers Ball, featuring live and silent auctions and the giant pumpkin weigh off followed by a family-friendly dinner and dance.
All proceeds go toward supporting the Rolling Hills Ag Society and Community Hall Board

For more information or to donate, please contact
Desirae Davidson 403-362-9261 or Shelby Ross 403-363-0195

Follow us on Facebook
Rolling Hills Giant Pumpkin Growers Association
for updates, photos, and announcements!

ALCOMA SCHOOL

To Whom it May Concern,

On behalf of Alcoma School and Alcoma Parent Advisory Council, we are reaching out to invite you to partner with us in an exciting and meaningful initiative—raising funds for a new performance stage for our students.

As our school community continues to grow, we are proud to see a significant increase in student performances, assemblies, and events. Unfortunately, our current stage no longer meets our needs. It is worn, difficult to move, and does not meet current safety standards due to its height and condition. This has created challenges for both students and staff and limits our ability to host events safely and effectively.

To better support our students and enhance their learning experiences, we are working toward the purchase of a new stage, complete with stairs and a transport trolley. The total cost of this project is approximately $15,000.

We are seeking support from valued community partners like you to help make this goal a reality. As a token of our appreciation, any sponsor who contributes $500 or more will have their name permanently engraved on a plaque displayed on the new stage—recognizing your commitment to supporting education and the arts in our school.

This project represents more than just a physical upgrade—it is an investment in creativity, confidence, and community spirit for our students. With your support, we can provide a safe and inspiring space where students can shine.

Payments can be made by cheque to Alcoma Home and School or e-transfer to alcomahomeandschool@gmail.com.

We would be grateful for your consideration of this opportunity. If you have any questions or would like to discuss sponsorship options, please feel free to contact us at Alcoma School at 1.403.362.3741 or email danielle.graham@grasslands.ab.ca.

Thank you for your time and for supporting our school community.

Sincerely,

Alcoma School
Alcoma Parent Council