

Robert Warren School

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Weekly Message

Dear Robert Warren families,



It's hard to believe December is almost here! We've been fortunate to enjoy great fall weather, allowing students to spend time outside during PE and lunch. Yesterday marked our first indoor lunch day, as temperatures dipped below -20°C. As we move into December, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the cold weather—we know this can sometimes be easier said than done!

Our Senior Girls basketball team has had an incredible season and will play in the Division B Finals on **Monday, December 2nd**, at **7:30 PM at Wilma Hansen**, against RT Alderman. The Senior Boys team also had a fantastic season, finishing in the Division A Semi-Finals. Congratulations to all the athletes, coaches, and parents for their hard work and dedication this season. Go Warriors!

The Robert Warren **Winter Concert** will take place on **Tuesday, December 10th**, at Dr. E.P. Scarlett High School. If your child is part of the band program, please ensure they attend all rehearsals this week. We're excited to hear the wonderful music they've been preparing since the start of the year!

Thank you for your continued support as we head into the holiday season.

Kristal Derbyshire, Principal



Exciting Opportunity: Virtual Student Exchange with Spain!

We are thrilled to offer Grade 9 students the chance to participate in a virtual student exchange program with Spain (Asturias), facilitated by Alberta Education. This 6-week program runs from February 3 – March 16, 2025, where students will be matched with a partner in Spain. They will engage in two online video conferences per week to improve their Spanish language skills and learn about each other's cultures. The program also includes a mandatory one-hour orientation to prepare students for the exchange.

On Tuesday morning, December 3rd, Grade 9 students will have the opportunity to attend a presentation by Brian Clark from International Education Services, who will provide more details about the exchange and answer any questions. Last year, students who participated saw marked improvement in their oral language skills, with gains in fluency and pronunciation. Many students also made lasting friendships, staying in touch through platforms like WhatsApp, FaceTime, and email. This exchange is not only a great way to improve language proficiency but also an opportunity to build connections that last well beyond the program. There is no cost for students to participate.

For more information and to apply, visit Student Exchange Programs. The application is due to Srta. Soltész by Thursday, January 9, 2025.



REMINDER: Be Brave Hitmen Game Forms Due!

Permission forms for the **Be Brave Hitmen Game** on **Wednesday, February 26, 2025**, are due by **December 2, 2024**. This Pink Shirt Day event supports anti-bullying and promotes kindness and bravery. The \$24 fee (added to school fees) covers transportation, a game ticket, and a "Be Brave" T-shirt. Don't miss out—return your form soon! For more details, refer to the parent letter sent home or contact the school office. We look forward to a meaningful and memorable day for our students!



Athletics

Basketball

Sr Girls

- Division B Finals
 - o Monday December 2nd RW vs. RT Alderman at Wilma Hansen 7:30pm

Wrestling

- Practice Monday 3:30-4:30pm & Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm
- Quad Meets
 - Wednesday December 4th at Dr. EP Scarlett from 6:30-8:30pm
 - Please note Parking will be limited as there is a High School Quad meet being held prior to our Quad meet.
 - Parents/volunteers will be needed for scorekeeping
 - o Wednesday December 11th at Western Canada from 6:30-8:30pm
 - Tuesday December 17th at Dr. George Stanley from 5-7pm



Band

Band Rehearsals:

o Grade 7 Band: Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m.

o Grade 8/9 Band: Thursdays at 7:30 a.m.

• Jazz Band Rehearsal: Wednesdays at 7:30 a.m.

• Choir Club Rehearsal: Wednesdays at lunch

• Winter Concert:

All groups will be performing at the Winter Concert on **December 10**th.

• Concert Tickets:

Tickets for the Winter Concert are now on sale! Order forms have been sent home with students and must be returned by **December 5th**. We are also seeking items for the **Silent Auction** that will be held during the event. If you have anything to contribute, please contact Mrs. Gilliland.

• Communication:

Please check your email regularly for updates and announcements about band activities.



Volunteer for Our AGLC Casino Supporting Robert Warren and the Band Program!

Join us for our AGLC Casino fundraiser, a key event supporting Robert Warren School and the band program. Just one volunteer shift can bring in \$2,300 to enrich programs for all students!

Key Details:

- Sign up for one or both days (same position required for both).
- Training provided on-site—no experience needed!
- Volunteers must be 18+, have valid photo ID, and no criminal record.
- Meals provided during shifts.

Support our school, meet great people, and make a difference!

Sign Up Link - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094DAFA92FA1FEC52-53125400-robert



Upcoming Dates

- December 10 Robert Warren Band Concert at Dr. EP Scarlett
- December 20 Last Day before Winter Break
- January 6 Classes resume
- January 23 Centennial High School Open House 7-8:30pm