



**Achievement at River Valley School**

Literacy is the foundation of school success, and something that receives significant attention at River Valley School. It starts in Kindergarten building on the vital work done by parents in those early years, focusing on an exposure to wonderful books, and the joy to be found in listening to a story well told. Experimenting with print moves into the telling of their own stories, which capture both their imagination and ours as well. Students continue to build their literacy skills as they grow, progressing from storyboard writing in the earliest grades, to Middle School students writing, illustrating and sharing stories, poems, essays and more. The daily 02 Time block continues to provide the time for intense focus on both the areas of reading and writing, as the basis for academic success.

Mathematics work is also key to moving learning forward, and we are tackling that from a variety of angles. This includes innovative strategies, working with some of our in-house numeracy experts, and accessing division office support as they build a Mathematics Framework to support our work. It also includes a universal Mathematics assessment called the MIPI (Math Intervention Programming Instrument), that each student worked through in the Fall.

Assessment of our progress in these areas is supported by the use of various tools, which tell us specifically how each and every student is doing, and how we can help them do better. In reading we use something called a Jerry Johns assessment to help us determine where students are at, as well as the HLAT (Highest Level of Achievement Test) that focuses on writing. The CESD Literacy Framework then provides numerous strategies to help teachers with strategies to move students forward. As noted above, the MIPI and Mathematics Framework provides similar data and support in the area of numeracy. We use all this data to determine programming from the beginning of the year for each student, and continue to assess throughout the year to determine next steps. Collaboration days continue to be used to examine research based strategies to help each student (both strong and struggling) move forward to reach their academic potential. 02 Time and collaborative days are integral to helping us personalize learning for kids, and we appreciate the support provided at home as well with bedtime stories, counting out the cutlery when setting the table, working on those multiplication tables, and modeling a love of literacy yourself – thank you!

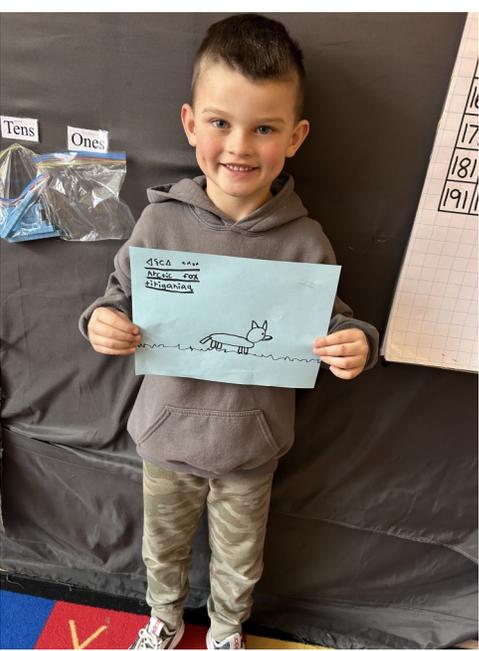
Cheers,  
Leslie Cooper-Shand  
Principal

	March 08, 2024 Collab Day No Students		March 15, 2024 Green Day All Kindergarten Attend		March 29/April 1, 2024 Good Friday Easter Monday No Students No Staff
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Important Dates to Remember

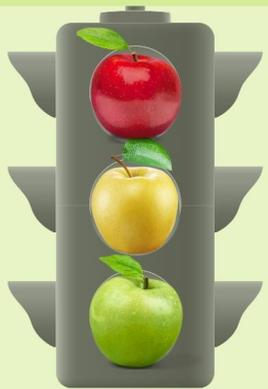
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
				<b>1 Day 1</b>  Gr7/8 Ski Trip Nakiska  All Kindergarten Attend
				<b>8</b>  Collab Day No Students
<b>4 Day 2</b>	<b>5 Day 3</b>	<b>6 Day 4</b>	<b>7 Day 5</b>  Gr. 5 Curling  School Council Family Movie Night Ice Age @ 6:30PM	<b>8</b>  Collab Day No Students
<b>11 Day 6</b>	<b>12 Day 7</b>  Subway Day	<b>13 Day 8</b>	<b>14 Day 1</b>  Screenagers #3 6:15PM—All Parents Welcome  Gr 7 Band Trip	<b>15 Day 2</b>  Green Day  All Kindergarten Attend  Gr 7 Band Trip
<b>18 Day 3</b>	<b>19 Day 4</b>  School Council 4:00PM	<b>20 Day 5</b>  Outreach Presentations Kind to Gr 5	<b>21 Day 6</b>  Outreach Presentations Kind to Gr 5	<b>22 Day 7</b>  Gr 7 Band @ Kiwanis
<b>25 Day 8</b>  Parent Teacher Interviews	<b>26 Day 1</b>  Parent Teacher Interviews  Pizza Day	<b>27 Day 2</b>  Parent Teacher Interviews	<b>28 Day 3</b>	<b>29</b>  Good Friday No Students No Staff



Students working on translating their animal found in Iqaluit to Inuktitut which is the language the Inuit speak!

Cross Class Buddy reading and Valentine's Day cookie decorating.

When do absences become a problem?



**Chronic absence**  
18 or more days

**Caution Zone**  
10 to 17 days

**Good attendance**  
9 or fewer absences



\* Fall Planning is already starting - please register ASAP!

# Ready, Set, Go!

## Welcome to Online Kindergarten Registration!

Chinook's Edge will be accepting Online Kindergarten Registrations starting January 8, 2024 for the 2024-2025 school year. Please visit our website at [www.cesd73.ca](http://www.cesd73.ca) for Kindergarten information!



RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL FUNDRAISING SOCIETY  
 &  
 RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL  
 PRESENTS

**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

Bring the family and watch Ice Age in the RVS Gym!

**MARCH 7, 2024**  
**DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM**  
**SHOWTIME AT 6:30 PM**

**ENTRY \$2 PER PERSON**

**JUICE \$1**

**POPCORN \$2**

There is no childcare at this event. Please ensure an adult is present.



Spelling Bee 2024 Champs  
Samantha M. Ryatt S. Mallory C.



School Council  
Last month a presentation around the book Sparked, and this week members engaged in learning and a fun self-assessment around Executive Function as area staff are learning more about at RVS.

**Nutrition Grant**

We are again this year using a Nutrition Grant to provide milk to students once a week.



Grade 2 Lego Groupies Club Chopstick Warmup Challenge



### Pink Shirt Day

We watched the movie "Home" at RVS this week to facilitate great kindness conversations!

Grade 2 practiced being kind to themselves while enjoying the beautiful weather outside.



Well done Science Fair Participants! This year RVS had 33 projects and 52 students involved! Those who placed in the top three for each grade have been invited to attend the next country level Science Fair in Olds. Good Luck! Please make sure your MSTs Science Fair Forms are into Mr.West by February 16th if you plan to attend.

### Participants

- Grade 2 Isabella Hickman with Volcano  
Jack Griffin with Sail boat pop bottle
- Grade 3 Piper Storey and Ella Young with Volcano and dinosaurs  
Liam Marshall with Volcano  
Sophye Galarza and Jayla Jackson with Magneto Robot  
Maddi Barry and Katelyn Hope with The exploding volcano
- Grade 5 Gracie Flanagan and Josephine-Rae Duke with Crystals  
Avery Steele and Wren Cunningham with How do magnets work?

### Honorable Mentions

- Kindergarten Arlo Hus with How does a boat float?
- Grade 1 Emmie Allison with Light Bulb Electricity
- Grade 3 Emelia Pugh and Keaton Luck with Volcano  
Kali Gafner and Kyleigh McAndrews with Volcano
- Grade 5 Hattie Blackhurst and Jillian Boulton with Can a Lemon Power a Light?  
Bryn Shyback with Rethink your sports drink

### Second Place

- Kindergarten Lauryn Gunderson with Why does the ladybug have spots?
- Grade 2 Huckleberry Hus and Cooper Willick with Volcanic Ash effects on plants
- Grade 3 Waylon Jansen and Owen Hompoth with The power of potatoes!
- Grade 4 Raegan Rock and Brynlee Lunde with Bubble Gum
- Grade 5 Abby Fisher with Invisible Ink
- Grade 6 Leah Mackenzie and Lizzy Downey with Life in space
- Grade 7 Teagan Reardan and Sebastian Mueller with Life of a scorpion

### First Place

- Kindergarten Sawyer Forster Miller Forster with Double Trouble Bubbles
- Grade 1 Jack Brenneis with What soil helps plants grow best?  
Riot Shyback and Maverick Jansen with The Cookie Bro's
- Grade 2 Stetson Cox with Gravity  
Beau Gleeson with Is it a Rock? Or is it Wood?
- Grade 3 Isabelle Brink and Aubrey Mikal with Food Waste
- Grade 4 Jorja Rosch with Don't eat snow!
- Grade 5 Henley Rock and Sadie Fricker with Best way to remove mascara
- Grade 6 Gemma Hawkins with Pulsar
- Grade 7 Chloe Dziadek and Brooklyn Butts with What are you really drinking?
- Grade 8 Karsyn Surtees and Mikaela MacNeil with What is deja vu?



## CESD Honour Band

Students from RVS Band participated in the 2024 Division Honour Band. A full day of sectionals and group rehearsals with a guest conduction and an evening performance.



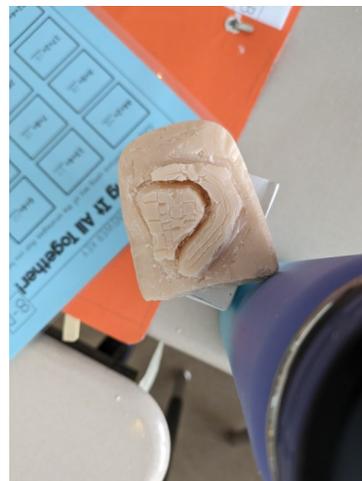
## Pink Shirt Day Gr 5 Stuntastics



Outdoor Broomball in the snow



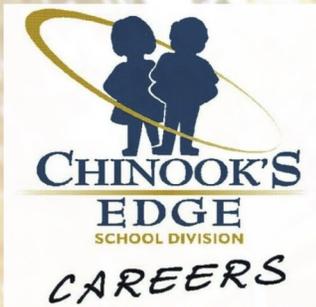
MS Academic Awards



Gr. 2 Soap "Stone" Carving

# Dance





Are you looking for a part time job that doesn't involve weekends or summers?  
Would you like to have a positive influence on our school aged youth?

## We're looking for dedicated individuals to join our team as School Bus Drivers!

### What You'll Do:

- Safely transport students to and from school
- Follow designated routes and schedules while adhering to all traffic laws and safety regulations.
- Conduct pre-trip and post-trip inspections to ensure the bus is in optimal condition.
- Provide exceptional customer service to students, parents, and school staff.

### What We're Looking For:

- Valid Driver's License (minimum Class 5 - non GDL)
- Strong communication skills and ability to interact professionally with peers, students and staff.
- Commitment to safety and reliability.

### Why Join Us:

- Competitive pay and benefits package.
- Comprehensive paid training and ongoing support.
- Flexible schedules to accommodate your lifestyle.
- Be part of a supportive team dedicated to the safety and well-being of our community's children.

# APPLY TODAY:

[www.cesd73.ca](http://www.cesd73.ca)

under

Careers/Support  
Staff/Spare Bus  
Drivers

403-227-7072

[transportation@cesd73.ca](mailto:transportation@cesd73.ca)

GRADES 7-12

# MARCH



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
<b>NEW!</b>	<b>BE kind</b>	<b>I BELIEVE IN YOU!</b>	<b>it's OK to ASK for HELP</b>	1 <b>Movie Night</b> 6-9pm \$2 pizza Slices & free popcorn!
<b>DROP IN</b> 4 3-6PM	<b>YOUR POTENTIAL IS ENDLESS</b> 5	<b>DROP IN</b> 6 3-6PM	<b>DROP IN</b> 7 3-6PM <b>ART NIGHT</b> 6-8PM	8 <b>SING OR CHEER!</b> NO PRESSURE! 6-9PM <b>KARAOKE</b>
<b>DROP IN</b> 11 3-6PM	<b>Believe in Yourself</b>	<b>DROP IN</b> 13 3-6PM	<b>DROP IN</b> 14 3-6PM	15 <b>Let's Bowl</b> Road Trip. Must Pre-Register! 6-9pm
<b>DROP IN</b> 18 3-6PM	<b>YOU CAN DO IT</b> 19	<b>DROP IN</b> 20 3-6PM	<b>DROP IN</b> 21 3-6PM	22 <b>Hang Out</b> FREE Ice cream Floats! 6-9pm
<b>DROP IN</b> 25 3-6PM	<b>make Happiness a Habit</b> 26	<b>DROP IN</b> 27 3-6PM	<b>DROP IN</b> 3-6PM <b>SUNDRE CITIZENS</b> 6-7PM 28	29 <b>Happy Easter!</b> <b>CLOSED</b>

Life Happens and sometimes things change.

Please follow us on Facebook and Instagram for our latest program updates!



To register for any of our events check out our Website. [www.thedensyc.org](http://www.thedensyc.org)



\$20.00

Grades 7-12

## Let's Glow

# Bowling

MARCH 15, 6-9PM

Join us for a night at the Olds Bowling Alley  
Transportation, bowling, pizza & pop included!

# Sundre On the Go



March 2024

Brought to you by Greenwood Neighbourhood Place & Sundre Family Community Support Services (FCSS)



**GREENWOOD Neighbourhood PLACE**

Office Hours:  
Tuesday to Wednesday  
8:30 AM to 4:00 PM  
Thursday 9:30AM-4:00PM

403.638.1011  
#5, 96-2 Ave NW  
PO Box 1846,  
Sundre AB, T0M 1X0

Email: info@mygnp.org  
www.mygnp.org  
CRA Charity No.  
866369374RR0001

Scan for Website Events Page



## INCOME TAX TIME IS HERE!

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX PROGRAM  
MARCH 5 - APRIL 30 | TUES - THURS | 10AM - 3PM

FREE Income Tax preparation if you qualify!

The following returns do NOT qualify:  
self-employment, business or rental income,  
capital gains or losses, bankruptcy, or  
deceased in the year.

Eligible Taxpayer Family Income  
Individual - Up to \$35,000  
Couple - Up to \$45,000  
Each Dependent add \$2,500

If you have mobility issues please contact us.





Call for info: 403.638.1011

# Happy Easter



## Health Care Aide Certificate Program

Providing you with the opportunity to be part of a health-care team.  
Starts May 2024 In Sundre

TO LEARN MORE AND TO REGISTER:  
CAMPUSALBERTACENTRAL.COM





PURSUING A CAREER IN THE HEALTHCARE FIELD?  
Sundre Hospital & Care Centre Auxiliary Society has a \$1,500 Scholarship  
For further information contact Pat Ball 403-638-2999

Greenwood Neighbourhood Place is your Community Resource Centre  
Connecting you to local Programs, Events, Services & Resources

# GREENWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLACE EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Current Plot Holders are invited to the

## Sundre Community Garden Annual Meeting

Thursday | March 28  
6:00PM-7:00PM

Community Centre Conference Room

For More Info:  
Renate 403.638.1011




## COFFEE, TEA & CONVERSATION

Wednesday | March 13 | 6:30PM-8:30PM

Circle talks are a foundational First Nations teaching, and are always confidential.

No Registration  
Location: Greenwood Neighbourhood Place Foyer

For more information:  
Renate 403.638.1011




## National Volunteer Appreciation Event

Featuring **BEN CRANE**

You must be an active volunteer for a non-profit organization in the Sundre area.

**FRIDAY | APRIL 19**  
7:00PM - 8:30PM

**SUNDRE ARTS CENTRE**

FREE - LIMITED SEATS REGISTER EARLY!

WWW.MYGNP.ORG  
403.638.1011




## COOKING UP CONNECTIONS

Wednesday | March 27  
4:00PM-7:00PM

Cooking With Friends

Location: Sundre Legion

Register at www.mygnp.org

\$10




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THIS SPACE IS FOR YOU



## FREE PUBLIC SWIM

Drop-In

Saturday  
March 24  
1:00PM-3:30PM

Sundre Aquaplex




## Seniors Art Programs

Sundre Seniors Supportive Living Facility  
Tues | March 19 | 10AM-Noon

Seniors Art in the Country  
Tues | March 26 | 10AM-Noon  
Bearberry Community Hall

Cost: Free  
Register at  
www.mygnp.org  
or 403.638.1011




Mark Your Calendar!

## Greenwood Neighbourhood Place FUNDRAISING AUCTION

SATURDAY | JUNE 1 | 7:00PM

Watch for details!  
Have an item to donate?  
Contact us at 403.638.1011

### GNP is Promoting & Supporting NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS with free postings

## Camp Evergreen Summer Camp

Registration is open!

**EVERGREEN**

31404, Range Rd 52,  
Sundre, AB

Contact Info:  
main@camp-evergreen.com  
or phone: 403-638-4230  
www.camp-evergreen.com

## Sundre Creative Arts

Join us for a Paint-In  
Sundre Public Library  
Sat | March 16 | 11:00AM-3:00PM

Bring a project and your lunch  
Beginners and non members welcome

For info  
Phone Lila @ 638-4269  
Or Debbie @ 403-844-7887

SAVE THE DATE  
SUNDRE ANNUAL ART SHOW AND SALE  
Sat | April 27 | 1:00PM-5:00PM  
Sun | April 28 | 11:00AM-3:30PM  
West Country Centre  
Free admission, door prizes, refreshments available  
Everyone welcome

## Sundre Seniors Socialize

No March event  
(scheduling conflict)

SAVE THE NEXT DATE:  
Wednesday | April 10  
11:45PM-2:00PM  
Sundre United Church

55+ - single, isolated/lonely,  
NEWCOMERS  
Pre-registered: J Wicks  
403-638-1950

## Sundre Palliative Care Association

Welcome to monthly meetings!  
Thursday | Mar 14 | 2:00pm

What is a Death Doula?  
Thursday | Mar 28 | 6:30-8:30

Drop In Grief Group  
Thursday | Mar 28 | 2-4 pm  
Location: Main Ave Church, Sundre

Advanced Care Planning  
Thursday | April 4 | 6:30-8:30 pm  
Location: SSSL - North Doors

Info: Anne Brander 403-507-1255  
Sundrepalliativecare@gmail.com

## Sundre Municipal Library March Events

Armchair Travel  
Wed | March 13 | 6:30PM-8:00PM  
Travel the world in a series of Armchair Travel sessions

Drop-in + Play  
Wednesdays  
March 6, 13, 20, 27 | 12:00PM-2:00PM  
Parent guided play time  
For ages 0-5 with a caregiver

Family Gym Time  
Frid | March 15 | 9:30AM-11:30AM  
Location: Sundre Community Center  
Run! Jump! Play!  
Join us for the LAST Gym Time of the year!  
For ages 0-6 with a caregiver (in partnership with MVRN)

Teen Hangout (ages 11+)  
Thurs | March 7 | 3:00PM-5:00PM  
Games, food, and fun...just for teens!

Contact Information:  
(403) 638-4000  
prl.ba@sundre.ab.ca

## James River Cowboy Church

Free Ride To Cowboy Church

Wednesday Evenings  
Service starts at 7:00PM

Get picked up outside your door throughout Sundre and dropped off after the service.

Come for the music and sermon and stay for the fellowship!

Contact the Sundre Community Van to arrange transportation  
403-638-3266.

## Bergen Church

Sun | March 10  
6:30PM-7:30PM

Join Tyler and Rachelle Brooks for an evening of Praise and Worship. An uplifting time of traditional hymns, praise choruses and contemporary worship. Coffee and dessert to follow.

www.bergenchurch.ca



## Bergen Meet Your Neighbour

Sat | March 9  
Doors Open 5:00PM  
Potluck 6:00PM  
Bergen Hall  
Bring Potluck item to share & Business Cards to share  
Children Welcome  
Tell your Bergen neighbours!  
info@bergenhall.com  
www.bergenhall.com  
Sponsored by the Bergen Community Association

## Sundre Community Van Association

Have You Seen Our New White Van?

If you're 55 years of age and older we offer transportation for shopping, visiting, the library, local events, and you can even travel to Red Deer and Calgary.

Sundre in-town shuttle service  
Thursdays | 10:00AM-3:00PM & Tuesdays | 1:00PM-4:00PM

To Book:  
Call 403-638-3266 or email sundrecommunityvan@gmail.com  
Please book a minimum of one day in advance.



## Wills & Estates

Codey & Company Law  
10:00AM-Noon  
Lunch Provided

## Death Cafe

Intentional Conversation  
Informal 'death' dialogue  
Coffee & Cake 1:00PM-3:00PM

Saturday | March 16  
@ Beech Co Work 509-50 Ave. Olds, AB  
esvp by March 13  
587.796.1208 | sc@shopiceold.com

Sundre & District Youth Justice Committee  
Join our Team  
March 2024

Interested in helping youth who have made mistakes and been granted EXIS (Extrajudicial Sanctions by the Crown) or EJM (Extrajudicial Measures by the RCMP), avoid criminal records while being accountable for their actions in a fair and just manner through a restorative process?  
\*\*The only person who cannot sit on the committee are RCMP or Peace Officers, prosecutors, lawyers, or those within the judicial system\*\*.

Contact information: sundreyjc@gmail.com

## SUNDRE SOCCER CLUB

### SPRING REGISTRATION

Soccer season will run  
May to June, 2024  
Location:  
Sundre Soccer Field  
5 St SE, Sundre, AB

Please watch the Sundre Soccer Facebook page for details regarding registration for the 2024 season.

Contact information:  
sundresoccer@hotmail.com



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday | March 1 | 11:00AM

Our Lady of Fatima-Catholic Church  
123-2nd Street, Sundre  
Light lunch to follow  
Contact 403.638.9632 for more info

## Alberta Healthy Living Program

Chronic Pain: Better Choices Better Health  
Starts Tuesday | March 19 | 9:00-11:00AM & runs for 6 weeks  
This workshop will help you discover new skills to use for day-to-day challenges of chronic pain.

Sleep Well  
Monday | March 11 | 9:30-11:00AM  
In this workshop discover what quality sleep means, how it relates to your health and tips for better sleep.

Diabetes the Basics  
Monday | March 11 | 11:30-11:00AM  
These workshops help you learn about diabetes and effective strategies to manage it.

Location: Zoom link is provided upon registration, to speak to your local health educator  
Contact: Andrea @ 403-552-8895  
Contact information: 1-877-314-6997 to register



## SUNDRE DAYCARE CENTRE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday | March 15 | 6:00PM  
Location: Sundre Daycare Centre  
Join us for our AGM to hear our year in review!

Contact information:  
sundredaycare@gmail.com

## Alberta Pioneer Camp

Summer Camp Registration Now Open!  
Summer 2024  
Location:  
Sundre and Rocky Mtn. House  
registration@pioneercamps.ab.ca

Summer Camps for all ages!  
www.pioneercampalberta.ca

## Sundre Caregiver Support Group

First & Third Thursdays Monthly  
1:30PM-3:30PM

For anyone providing care & support to those with healthcare needs.  
Sundre Seniors Drop In Centre  
For more info:  
Cindy Andrus 587-876-0943



## Sundre & District Museum Preschool Programs

Every Tuesday | 1:00PM-3:00PM  
\$5.00/child, in the museum gallery

Save the date  
Check out the new display going up at the end of February!  
Thank you to everyone who supported our Winterfest celebrations this year  
Buy your 2024 Memberships now!  
Call 403-638-3233 for more information.

## Cooking For Kindness Community Luncheon

Wednesday March 20 | 11:30AM-1:00PM  
Entertainment until 2:00PM  
SUNDRE LEGION HALL-110/PLATE  
More info & Transportation to or volunteer call:  
Lourelle at 403.638.3378

## SUNDRE WEST COUNTRY CENTRE

101 2nd Ave, by the Arena  
Wheelchair accessible.

### March Events

Music & Dancing | Sundays-1st & 3rd | 1:30PM-3:30PM  
Cribbage | Every other Sunday | 1:30PM

Pool & Snooker | Mondays | 9:30AM-11:00PM  
Carpet Bowling | Mondays | 1:00PM-3:00PM  
Canasta | Tuesdays | Noon

Stretching | Wednesdays | 10:00AM-11:00AM  
Games! | Wednesdays-1st & 3rd | 1:00PM-3:00PM  
Pool & Snooker | Thursdays | 1:00PM-3:00PM  
Carpet Bowling | Thursdays | 1:00PM-3:00PM  
Quitting | Thursdays

Floor Curling | Fridays | 1:00 pm  
Pot Luck | Last Friday of each month at 12 Noon  
Come join us!

## YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC

Ages 14-18  
Experiencing struggles with mental health  
Thursday | March 14  
1:30PM-3:30PM

Location: Sundre High School  
Contact Irma at Primary Care Network for appointment  
403.586.0371



## Family Movie Night

Thursday | March 7  
Doors Open at 6:00PM  
Showtime at 6:30PM

Bring the family & watch Ice Age  
Location: RVS Gym  
\$2 Per Person  
No children-in adult must be present

## River Valley School Fundraising Society & River Valley School Presents

Family Movie Night

Thursday | March 7  
Doors Open at 6:00PM  
Showtime at 6:30PM

Bring the family & watch Ice Age  
Location: RVS Gym  
\$2 Per Person  
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