

The Bulletin



BAWLF SCHOOL
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Upcoming Events:

<i>September 29</i>	<i>Orange Shirt Day</i>
<i>September 29</i>	<i>JH Volleyball @ Bashaw</i>
<i>September 29</i>	<i>Cross Country @ New Norway</i>
<i>September 30</i>	<i>Truth & Reconciliation Day – school closed</i>
<i>October 1</i>	<i>Staff Collaboration Day – school closed</i>
<i>October 1 & 2</i>	<i>HS Volleyball tourney @ OLMP</i>
<i>October 5</i>	<i>HS Volleyball hosts New Norway</i>
<i>October 6</i>	<i>JH Volleyball hosts New Norway</i>
<i>October 7</i>	<i>Decade Day</i>
<i>October 7</i>	<i>Staff Meeting – dismissal at 1:50 p.m.</i>
<i>October 7</i>	<i>Cross Country @ Camrose</i>
<i>October 11</i>	<i>Thanksgiving Day – school closed</i>
<i>October 12</i>	<i>HS Volleyball hosts Daysland</i>
<i>October 13</i>	<i>Cross Country @ Bashaw</i>
<i>October 15 & 16</i>	<i>HS Boys Volleyball @ CACHS</i>
<i>October 15 & 16</i>	<i>HS Girls Volleyball @ Morinville</i>
<i>October 19</i>	<i>HS Volleyball @ Bashaw</i>
<i>October 20</i>	<i>JH Volleyball @ CCHS</i>
<i>October 22</i>	<i>JH Volleyball tourney @ CK</i>
<i>October 26</i>	<i>HS Girls Volleyball @ Viking</i>
<i>October 27</i>	<i>JH Volleyball hosts OLMP</i>

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Notes From Administration ~

It has been a very busy start to the year this year. We are so thankful for a great school - great students, great staff, and a great community! Our community has been extraordinary in communication and understanding as we work through our Fall season.

Classes are into the swing of things and students are working hard on their studies. With some of our High School courses working within the quarter system, many of them are almost half way through gaining their credits for these courses. This

flexibility is allowing our students to gain some valuable work experience within their schedules as well.

Cross Country Running has already had their first event in Hardisty and we had some great finishes by our athletes. Our volleyball teams have been going strong with our Senior teams competing in a number of tournaments and coming back with hardware. Our junior high teams start their league play this weekend and used the past weekend for a tune-up as they hosted their own tournament here in Bawlf. With the necessity of live streaming the games, things went rather smoothly as our teams prepared for the rest of their seasons.

With the recent swing in the COVID numbers and the declaration of Bawlf School as an “Outbreak school”, please be advised that all of our teachers will have their Google classrooms up and running. If your child will be away, please connect with your teacher through email and you can be added as a student as well to these classrooms. Please remember to use the COVID assessment checklist with your child/ children in the morning so that we can continue to see our numbers drop in our area. As discussed with our High school students this week, we want to pay close attention to the components that are within our control.

We would like to thank everyone for participating in Orange Shirt Day on September 29th and for raising awareness around truth and reconciliation and building positive relations. Also to all of our students and supporters for participating in the Terry Fox Run on September 21st. Bawlf School has been participating in this national event for 37 years and this year we raised \$3,279.75 to raise awareness and funds for cancer research! Thank you for your support!

This Friday, October 1st, will see our staff participating in our first Staff Collaboration Day of the year. We will be gathering together to collaborate on how to support students to ensure they experience 1 years’ worth of growth from where they were last year. Time is spent to review information we have on reading levels, math understanding and indicators such as attendance or wellness that helps us to know how to best support students. We will also be working to have PowerSchool opened for all of our classes and the community as well. It will be a very busy and productive day for all staff.

Thank you to our community in its entirety as the amount of support we have seen has been very generous. It has been a busy start up this fall and we have encountered a couple of hiccups along the way. As a school and a community, we feel that it has been a successful start-up and are looking forward to a great year.

School News

🐾 We are excited to kick off another school year here at Bawlf School. Would you believe, we are starting the eighth year in our “new school” already? We’ve had some additions to our staff this year, so here is a listing of homeroom teachers as well as all the staff. If you have concerns with your child, please contact the homeroom teacher first. Their emails are listed as well.

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Custodians	Rick & Linda Szott Morgan Bast Emily Ingraio	

🐾 **Yearbooks** - The Bawlf School 2021 yearbooks have finally arrived and been distributed to families who ordered and paid. The yearbook girls put a lot of hard work into planning and creating vibrant pages to depict a most unusual, but still successful and memorable year. If you did not order in the spring but are still wanting a yearbook, there are extras that can be purchased at the office for \$30 each. Hurry and don't miss out!

🐾 **We will be calling!** If your child is going to be absent or late, please call the school in the morning to let us know (780-373-3784). We also have voicemail so you can call anytime at night or early morning to leave a message if that works as well. In addition, you can also email BOTH of our Administrative Assistants (cloesch@brsd.ab.ca and bszott@brsd.ab.ca) as well as your child's homeroom teacher. If we don't hear from you, we will be calling!

🐾 **Lifetouch School pictures** ~ Lifetouch was here on Tuesday to take individual school pictures. As there were a few students missing, as always, they will be returning on Monday, November 1st in the morning for another session.

🐾 **School Fees** ~ School fee invoices were sent home on Monday with students. For Elementary students, these are all the fees that will be assigned for this school year. For Junior High and High School, additional fees will be assigned per Quarter (term), as Option classes change, so please look for invoices again near the beginning of each Quarter. Instructions are the bottom on the invoice on how to pay online. If paying via cheque, please make payable to Bawlf School.

🐾 **Annual Terry Fox run** ~ On Tuesday September 21st, Bawlf students ventured out into the Village to take part in the Terry Fox Run. We are very proud to say it was the 37th year we have participated and fundraised for this important event. It was a beautiful afternoon and the walk/run was enjoyed by all. As a school we raised \$3,279.75 for cancer research. Thank you to all who made pledges and supported the event.



🐾 **Snack Shack** ~ by Mrs. Kroetsch ~ Our school “Snack Shack” will be opening at the beginning of October. We will once again be carrying similar pre-wrapped meal items and snacks as in the past. There will be items such as mini pizzas, pizza pockets, a variety of Michelina’s frozen meals, Kraft Dinner, Mr. Noodles, chocolate milk-to-go, etc. as well as snack items such as baked chips, pretzels, popcorn, granola bars, crackers, cookies, gum and fruit snacks, etc. Sorry, there is no Milk Program this year but we hope to have the chocolate Milk-to-Go in either the 310 ml or 473 ml sizes.

🐾 **High School Students Union** ~ Welcome back! We have 19 Gr. 10, 11 & 12 student leaders ready to add some fun and excitement to the school year. With the help of Mrs. Sharp and

Ms. Nycholat, plus Mrs. Kruchten, students will be planning as many Covid safe activities as possible.

First theme day - Decade day! This will happen on Thursday, October 7th. Grade 11 members have this organized and watch announcements for the details.

Fall Kick off will happen before the Thanksgiving weekend, and school clothing orders are being planned for November so you can update your Wildcat gear soon!

Athletics

🐾 **HS Girls Volleyball** ~ by Mrs. Gjesdal ~ The Sr. Girls Volleyball team has had an excellent start of the season! We went to our first tournament just a couple days after school started, and regardless of the minimal practice time, the girls showed incredible skills and teamwork. The girls were able to demonstrate great flexibility with varying lineups and positions. Regardless of who was on the court and where, the girls were able to be successful throughout the tournament. They finished first at the Augustana tournament, defeating a strong team from HJ Cody in Sylvan Lake.

The next weekend, we attended the Wetaskiwin Tournament and the team continued to show strong fundamental skills which lead to another great tournament win. This group of young women have some great talent and have a lot of potential for the season. We hope to continue to be able to play, improve and have fun throughout this season. Wish us luck and hopefully you can have the opportunity to watch this team in action, virtually or whatever is available! Go Wildcats!

🐾 **HS Boys Volleyball** ~ by Mrs. Myers ~ The Senior Boys Volleyball team had a very early start to the year. After having last year off they were more than ready to jump back on the court and play.

First up was the Augustana tournament on September 10th and 11th. The boys started off slow, as to be expected, but soon picked it up and earned some good wins under their belt. They made playoffs and ended up getting 5th overall in the tournament. Next up was the Wetaskiwin tournament on the 17th and 18th. The boys showed up and played hard every game, they claimed the 1st spot in the pool and then went on to the semi -final against Bashaw. They won that game and then found themselves in the final against Wetaskiwin. The boys worked hard and pulled out the first gold medal of the season! Finally, we played our first league game on the 21st against Cornerstone and added another win to our stats.

So far we are pleased with the direction the team is heading and with hard work in our gym during practices, we should have a pretty successful season. Our next action up is the Forestburg league game on the 28th and then the OLMP tournament on October 1st and 2nd.

🐾 **Junior High Volleyball** ~ Our volleyball season has been off to a great start. Both junior high boys and girls have made it to the playoffs in the two tournaments that they have participated in so far and are 1-0 so far in league play. Having

been a long time since game play, there has been a lot of learning so far! **BOYS:** The Junior High Boys volleyball team has been very busy this September. We have attended 2 tournaments and played some league games as well. The boys have been learning a lot and having some fun. It is so great to see all their smiling faces enjoying the great game of volleyball! We still have lots left to learn and many opportunities to play!

🐾 **Cross Country Running** ~ It's been a great start to our season with over 30 runners participating in the Hardisty Invitational last week. Congratulations to all the runners! It is not easy, otherwise everyone would do it! Our top ten finishers included - Remi Thue - 7th, Kyed Thue - 8th, Mac MacDonald - 2nd, Hedda Rookmaker - 3rd, Luke Stang - 2nd, Kitly Thue - 4th, Madelyn Herder - 2nd, Jhett Thue - 2nd, Jordan Steil - 7th, Kate MacDonald - 1st, Blayze Thue - 1st, Brook Schacher - 4th, Ben MacDonald - 7th. Our next race is the Spartan TOUGH race and is a fundraiser for Parkinson's. Keep running!

School Council

Welcome to another school year. School council will be holding our AGM September 29 at 7pm. The meeting will be done virtually if you would like to attend please email BawlfSchoolCouncil@gmail.com and we will send you the link. The Hot Lunch Program is back again this year. Everyone should have received the letter outlining the program. If you want to receive reminders to order and when lunch dates are coming up please join the remind class by going to remind.com/join enter class code **d2h9aa**. If you have any questions about school council please do not hesitate to send us an email.

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