

The Bulletin



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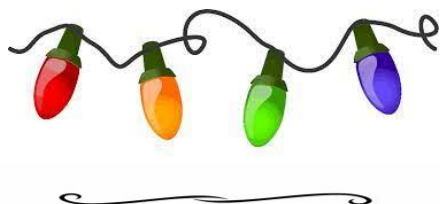
Notes From Administration ~

Upcoming Events:

<i>Dec 20</i>	<i>Christmas Break begins</i>
<i>Jan 3</i>	<i>School resumes</i>
<i>Jan 6</i>	<i>Papa John's pizza hot lunch</i>
<i>Jan 6</i>	<i>HS Basketball @ New Norway</i>
<i>Jan 6</i>	<i>Staff meeting – early dismissal @ 1:50 p.m.</i>
<i>Jan 7 & 8</i>	<i>HS Boys Basketball tourney @ Daysland</i>
<i>Jan 7 & 8</i>	<i>JH B & G Basketball @ Hay Lakes tourney</i>
<i>Jan 10</i>	<i>JH basketball hosts New Norway</i>
<i>Jan 11</i>	<i>Subway hot lunch</i>
<i>Jan 11</i>	<i>Grade 9 LA Part A PAT (Provincial Achievement Test)</i>
<i>Jan 12</i>	<i>Social 30 Part A Diploma</i>
<i>Jan 13</i>	<i>BEST Ham & Egger lunch</i>
<i>Jan 14</i>	<i>Staff Collaboration Day – school closed</i>
<i>Jan 14</i>	<i>Grade 12 Cap & Gown pictures</i>
<i>Jan 14 & 15</i>	<i>JH B & G Basketball tourney @ CCHS</i>
<i>Jan 20</i>	<i>Booster Juice hot lunch</i>
<i>Jan 20</i>	<i>HS French final Part A</i>
<i>Jan 21</i>	<i>English 10 Part A final</i>
<i>Jan 21</i>	<i>HS French final Part B</i>
<i>Jan 21 & 22</i>	<i>JH Basketball Tourney @ New Norway</i>
<i>Jan 24</i>	<i>Grade 9 LA Part B PAT</i>
<i>Jan 24</i>	<i>Social 30 Part B Diploma</i>
<i>Jan 25</i>	<i>Physics 20 Diploma</i>
<i>Jan 25</i>	<i>East Side Marios hot lunch</i>
<i>Jan 26</i>	<i>Grade 9 Math PAT</i>
<i>Jan 26</i>	<i>Math 10 final</i>
<i>Jan 27</i>	<i>English 10 Part B final</i>
<i>Jan 27</i>	<i>Math 20 final</i>
<i>Jan 27-29</i>	<i>HS Basketball Quad Tourney</i>
<i>Jan 31</i>	<i>Semester Break – school closed</i>
<i>Feb 1</i>	<i>First day of Semester 2/Quarter 3</i>
<i>Feb 2</i>	<i>Grade 7-12 report cards go home</i>

of course, dates are subject to change

Next Bulletin: January 27th



Hello Wildcat families!

We have had quite a month, well to be honest, quite a year. We are so thankful for our community and for the support that we have received in this time. We appreciate all that you do to support our students. After the past year and a half, we are thankful that we have been able to have classes in person and thankful that we have been able to return to some activities that we have been missing.

We are so thankful to all of those who make this place tick - our educational assistants, our learning commons facilitator, our administrative assistants, our teachers, our custodians, our bus drivers. Everyone has been very adaptable and we really appreciate all the effort being put in. Our staff has been working extremely hard and are looking forward to the winter holidays so that we can recharge and continue to do amazing things in the new year. Thank you.

Basketball is up and running. More information about the Junior High boys team will be shared in the new year. Thanks to Miss Marusak, Mrs. Lyons, Mr. Raynard, Mr. Watson, Mr. Munro, and Mrs. Rasmuson for coaching and Mrs. Holm for helping organize it all! Already our Senior Wildcats have been in tournaments and congratulations to both boys and girls for taking gold.

Our Student Advocacy group (SAVY) has been surveying our Junior and Senior High students to see how they are doing with students and wellness, and have some follow up activities planned for the new year.

Thank you to our Grade 7s and Miss Marusak for collecting toiletries for the Open Door with their literary device project!

Thank you to Mrs. Kruchten and the HSSU for their activities and efforts to make Bawlf School a great place to be!

Thank you to our parent council for their time and efforts and to BEST for their support of our school as well!

We have been able to celebrate Christmas in many different ways. Our big tree was up in the Commons, there was some amazing door decorating, classrooms were decked out and the Learning Commons and the office were all decorated up. Our Christmas Concert was done virtually, which you can still see if you go to our Wildcats Live page (there was an issue with the volume! Technology!). Our Junior and Senior High have been entertained at lunch with a karaoke contest, which will definitely be done again! Thanks to Isabella and Miss Nycholat for organizing that.

We had our traditional Christmas Luncheon - thanks to Mrs. Szott for organizing! It is a very big event and we are so thankful to the staff who helped with groceries and preparing. A big thank you to the parents who came in to help prepare, serve and clean up! A big thank you to Ember Resources, Mr. Mikes, and an anonymous donor for their sponsorship. A big thank you to Santa Claus, his Elf, and our Wildcat for visiting all of our elementary classrooms to spread some Christmas cheer! A big thank you to the Lions Club for following all the guidelines so that the students were able to enjoy a Christmas treat bag. Even some of our buses have been decorated! Christmas is coming!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and hope that you are able to enjoy the time with family. With the Christmas season there are usually so many distractions that, although we are with our family throughout the holidays, we sometimes don't focus on them in the hub-bub. Take this time to focus on the family: create stuff, sing stuff, read stuff, play stuff and in the end strengthen those relationships that will see you through tough times.

'Twas the week before the break, when all through the school
 Many little humans were stirring, as the temperatures turned cool.
 The decorations have been hung through the halls with care,
 While the aroma of hand sanitizer hangs in the air.

And then in a twinkling, we arose from the clatter,
 To look around the school to see what was the matter,
 And here it was our students and staff bustling in sight
 As we say to all, Merry Christmas and Good night.

School News

🐾 Powerschool App ~ If you haven't downloaded the app yet, you really should! It is very slick! Most JH/HS students have been informed as to how to do this, so if you need help getting on, just ask your student. The district code you will need to enter is: **NTPH**. The app is always up to date for marks entered and attendance.

🐾 Christmas Luncheon ~ Everyone's favourite tradition occurred yesterday as the entire student body and all staff were able to sit down and enjoy a Christmas meal together. It was awesome! Loads of smiles, lots of food and great fellowship

were evident everywhere ~ and it was so great to see. A huge thank you to Ember Resources for their donation of \$1000 towards this event – they continually support our school with this generous donation to make this tradition take place. Also, thank you to MR. Mike's (Ryan and Colleen Konowalyk) for the donation/pickup/delivery of the buns, and also to an anonymous donor as well. In addition, thank you to the Bawlf Lions Club for brining treat bags for all the students – what a super treat for them all! Thank you to some of the staff that did all the shopping for supplies, plus some who came in at 7:00 last Wednesday morning to make the hashbrown casseroles, and to Mrs. Kruchten, Isaiah, Sarah and Katharina who prepared the hams in the counter ovens. And this wouldn't have been possible without our parent volunteers that came in to help organize and serve! Thanks to Julie Huseby and Cheryl Henderson for coming in at 9:30 to start preparing things and to the following for helping serve and clean up: Chelsea Bergstrom, Heather Cunningham, Kait Davies, Gail Flemming, Emily Herder, Whitney Huseby, Crystal Kelland, Colleen Konowalyk, Linda Pederson, Michelle Van Petten and Kerri Yuha. Also, thank you to Santa and the Wildcat for showing up to make the day even more special! The Christmas atmosphere was magical and very welcomed, especially after missing last year.

🐾 Learning Commons ~ Book Fair ~ A big thank you to everyone who supported our Scholastic Book Fair!!! It was a huge success thanks to all your generous support. We were able to purchase over 125 new books for our library and received credit for future purchases from Scholastic. I believe our students enjoyed the fun and excitement of our book fair and were able to find some great books to read. Happy Reading!!!

🐾 2021 Legion Literary & Poster Contest ~ Our students submitted entries to the Daysland Legion branch for judging at the District Level. The following were winners from our school that won at District and will be moving on to the next level, which is the Command level. Congratulations to our Wildcats!

Essays		
Junior	1 st place	Luke Stang
	3 rd place	Emrence Law
Senior	1 st place	Makayla Raynard
Poems		
Junior	1 st place	Bennett Malaka
Senior	1 st place	Makayla Raynard
Posters (colour)		
Junior	2 nd place	Olivia Henderson
	3 rd place	Seth Beaumont
Intermediate	2 nd place	Brooklyn Vickers
	3 rd place	Seth Beaumont
Senior	1 st place	Amy Borman
Posters (B & W)		
Intermediate	3 rd place	Kyla Taylor-Stuckey
Senior	1 st place	Makayla Raynard
	2 nd place	Katherina Yestrau

🐾 **HSSU News** ~ Students were busy with Christmas event planning including the Christmas Karaoke and Christmas Luncheon. Proceeds to the Christmas Karaoke were directed to the Grade 7 Open Door donation drive.

🐾 **Yearbooks** - The yearbook crew is back at it again this year! They've been diligently taking pictures of school events and have been choosing colours and fonts to create your 2022 yearbook! Just a reminder if you have not yet purchased a yearbook for the 2021 school year, there are still some available in the office! \$30 each!

🐾 **Cam Lyster Memorial Dodgeball Tournament** ~ *by Mrs. Lyster* ~ Crohn's and colitis Awareness Month is held every November. The prevalence of these Inflammatory Bowel Diseases is increasing and especially in younger and younger people. Every year, I present information about these diseases to the Grade 10 CALM class so that they will be aware of the symptoms and also have compassion and understanding for anyone they may know diagnosed with these illnesses. To make it memorable, every year the HSSU and I put on the Cam Lyster Memorial Guts and Glory Dodgeball Tournament. This year, it took place from Tuesday, November 30 to Friday, December 3. The staff team has been dominant, winning the coveted cup for the past three years. To sweeten the pot, Mr. Dimond told the students that if the Kings and Queens of the Throne lost this year, students would have the opportunity to throw pies at the losers. With that kind of incentive, it didn't take long for the teacher team to fall! This year, the victors were the Grade 12 boys, the Purple Coilers, consisting of: Sam Schiele, Matt Hrabec, Casey Severson, Justin Pedersen, and Parker Bratrud. The Kings and Queens of the Throne was made up of: Mr. Dimond, Mr. Munro, Mr. Chanasyk, Ms. Marusak, Mrs. Barber, and Mrs. Enright.

In second place were the grade 11 boys, The Pretty Pumpkins: Griffin Van Petten, Owen Rasmuson, Finley Rasmuson, Tyler Nikiforuk, and Michael Dingman.

Third place went to the grade 10 boys, The Average Joes: Erik B, Austin Cunningham, Austin Herder, Dom Pasychnyk, and Tyson Petrie.

Special mention goes to our grade 11 girls team: Makena Huseby, Edyn Van Brabant, Bryn Weinkauff, Shaye Flemming, and Isabella Schacher.

There were many "poop related" door prizes handed out that week with Jorja Craig, Michael Dingman, Morgan Krause, Claire Dingman, Taryn Watson, Justin Pedersen, Shaelyn Bidal, and Izabella Kelland winning the daily prizes. The three Grand Prize winners were: Madelyn Herder, Haydyn Barrie, and Megan Herder.



Tuesday, December 7th was Pie Throw Day and students were charged \$2.00 for every throw. The teacher participants were Mr. (student teacher), Mrs. Lyster, Mr. Munro, and Mr. Dimond. A lot of fun was had by all, whether they threw a pie or just watched! This year, each participant paid \$5.00 to play with all funds raised going to Crohn's and Colitis Canada in memory of Cam. With the proceeds from the entry fee and the pie throw, \$170 was donated. Thank you, Bawlf School, and I can't wait to get the Cup back next year!



🐾 **Grade 3** continued with their Science Topics B and C: Building With and Testing a Variety of Materials. They built toolboxes and they turned out great! Thank you to Bryan Bjorge for cutting the pieces for us! Also, they built Gingerbread houses on December 7 and they turned out great! Thank you to Colleen Konowalyk and Elissa Hellekson for coming in and making the icing!



🐾 **Class Farewell** ~ An updated email was sent home regarding the banquet decision. The evening will be the following for the Class of 2022:

Ceremony Date: Friday, May 27, 2022

Formal Class Picture 6:00 pm at Bawlf School

Ceremony 7:00 pm - School Gym

Upcoming events:

Class Meeting - Friday, January 7th at 11:45

Cap/Gown Photos by Smart Photography- Friday, January 14 - times will be booked when we are back from Christmas break.

Ladies are traditionally in the afternoon, gentlemen in the morning. [Additional information here](#)

Athletics



🐾 **HS Girls Volleyball** ~ by Mrs. Gjesdal ~ What a fantastic season! We attended Provincials in Lacombe at the end of November and had a wonderful weekend. The girls dominated in their pool, finishing off with a convincing first place! In our down time, we tried to recreate a normal Provincials weekend by having a fancy banquet for ourselves, attending an awesome parade of lights, and having some fun, goofy hotel times together. If you get the chance, make sure you take a look at Mr. Munro's beautiful skin. He took part in our spa evening and let us give him a much needed facial, ha!

The girls continued to play exceptionally in the semi finals, and then moved onto the finals against the home team, CACHS. The girls won the first set, but in the second set, the CACHS team fought very hard and began digging all our hits. We went to a third set, and the girls worked hard and played together as a team. There were ups and downs but we came up short in the end with a final score of 14-16. It may not have been the ending we all hoped for, but from my perspective, I am still extremely proud of everything that this group of girls accomplished. They remained poised and accepted their silver medal with grace. It was an amazing season, full of so much fun and incredible volleyball. We have definitely learned from this season, and look forward to next year. Again, I am very honoured to have been a part of this team, and very proud of our provincial medal!

🐾 **HS Curling** ~ Mrs. Enright ~ The Bawlf school curling team had its first practice on December 7th at the Rose City Curling Club. Bawlf will be practicing with students from Daysland and Camrose Composite High School. December will be spent on skill development and refreshing our curling knowledge.

We are looking into attending a couple junior bonspiels in the New Year.

🐾 **HS Girls Basketball** ~ Coach Watson ~ Bawlf HS Girls have had two tournaments before Christmas. The first one they attended was the BP Classic in Camrose and despite only having 2 practices worked hard enough to make it to the final where they ran out of gas against a talented wrestling team from Beaumont. Our girls were then in the Royal Rumble hosted by OLMP and the girls won all three of their games handily to win that tournament. The girls are now looking forward to some well deserved rest and are getting ready for the new year.

🐾 **HS Boys Basketball** ~ Well, here we are, starting up another season of High School basketball! After ending the volleyball season on an upset, the boys have come back with a fiery edge. We came out flaming with a 5-2 record overall, going undefeated in the Royal Rumble last weekend, and placing 4th out of 16 in the Forestburg Ice Breaker tournament. Even though we haven't had the best luck injury wise, everyone has shown an outstanding amount of hustle and grit. As the season progresses, we are really excited to see fans in the stands when we resume in the new year, with our first home game January 18th against Forestburg! Hope to see you there! ~ by Connor Holowachuk, Ian Tomaszewski, Justin Pederson

🐾 **Junior High Girls Basketball** ~ It's been so good to get back into the swing of things for basketball! The girls have been working hard and practicing diligently leading up to the Christmas Break and are excited to play in their first basketball games after the new year. If you think about it, the majority of the team has not ever played an official game of junior high basketball so we are very eager to get going. After the break, the girls will head to a tournament in Hay Lakes on January 7th and 8th. They will also be hosting their first league game in Bawlf against New Norway on January 10th. Be sure to watch for live streams so you can cheer on our Wildcats wherever they are. Go, Cats, Go!



BEST

BEST Foundation

Thank you to everyone who ordered gift cards and meat boxes! We raised close to \$1,300 between the two. The winner of our gift card draw was the Yuha family. Congratulations!

Casino

We still need more volunteers to work at the casino on January 29 and 30 in Red Deer. We provide you with a free meal before your shift, as well as a free night stay in a hotel if you wish to stay overnight. Please contact Everly at 780-679-8885 if you would be interested in helping us out!

Ham and Egger Lunch

We are gearing up to provide ham and egger lunches again! The order form is included in the attachments. Please have order forms and payment handed in on January 3.

Wipf's Greenhouse

We will be fundraising through Wipf's Greenhouse again this year. The order form is included in the attachments. Please have the order forms and payment in by January 3. Orders should be available the week of May 15th.

We hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and enjoys their Christmas break!

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