

# The Bulletin



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## *Congratulations to our Class of 2019*



*Emily Bridger*

*Jordyn Cook*

*Colby Craig*

*Sienna Erickson*

*Travis Krayco*

*Devin Naslund*

*Kyla Nemeth*

*Autumn O'Donnell*

*Christopher Pohorelic*

*Danielle Robitaille*

*Donny Saddleback*

*Kori Sheets*

*Everly Sroka*

*Madelyn Szott*

*Jared Tennant*

*Jenna Tennant*

*Hunter Wellington*

*Cale Yurkoski*

### *Upcoming Events!*

May 22-24 – Grade 5 & 6 Ranch Camp

May 24 – Class Farewell

May 28 – Comic/Graphic Novel Book Fair

May 28 – East Side Marios hot lunch

May 28 – JH Track Divisionals in Camrose

May 29 – Kindergarten Orientation @ 1:30

May 29 – Green Certificate testing @ Vermilion

May 29 – Fine Arts Night (Grades 5-12) @ 7 p.m.

May 29 – HS Track Zones @ Red Deer

May 30 – Show'n'Shine (JH & HS)

May 31 – School Closed

June 3 & 4 – Kindergarten Year-end Field Trips

June 4 – JH Track Regionals in Camrose

June 5 – Homemade hot lunch

June 5 – JH Drama Performance @ 7 p.m.

June 6 – Staff meeting – early dismissal @ 1:52

June 7 – Staff PD day – school closed

June 10 – Panago hot lunch

June 10 – French 10/20 Part A

June 11 – BEST AGM/School Council AGM

June 12 – Elementary Track Meet

June 12 – School-wide picnic

June 13 – Secondary Athletic Awards @ 2 p.m.

June 13 – Social 30 Part A diploma

June 14 – Work Experience timesheets due

June 17 – French 10/20 Part B

June 17 – Grade 5 & 6 Bowling

June 18 – Subway hot lunch

June 18 – Last day of regular classes for HS

June 18 – Social 10 Part A/English 20 Part A

June 19 – Grade 4 field trip to Reynolds Museum

June 19 – Last day of regular classes for JH

June 19 – Social 7 Part A/LA 8 Part A

June 19 – LA 6 Part B PAT

June 19 – Social 30 Review in AM/Chem 30 Review in PM

June 20 – Grades 1 & 2 to Botanic Gardens

June 20 – Grade 3 to Indigenous Day in Camrose

June 20 – Social 6 & 9 PAT

June 20 – LA 7/Math 8/Science 10/Math 20

June 20 – Bio 30 Review in AM

*June 20<sup>th</sup> – Last Bulletin of the Year*

## Notes From Administration – by Mr. Gau & Mr. Chanasyk

May has arrived and spring activities are in full swing. It is a very exciting time as we approach June and Class Farewell this weekend. Congratulations to our grade 12 Class of 2019 for all of your hard work and your contributions to our school community. The staff and entire school community is very proud of you!!

It is also an extremely busy time for all staff as preparations are underway for the next school year. Over the next month we will be working on budgeting, staffing, and timetabling needs. As you are probably aware, there have been changes to the way in which staffing decisions are made at the school. Similar to last year, BRSD is responsible for allocating the number of teaching and support staff for each school, instead of this being a site based decision. This is to provide equity among schools in the Division and to help offset declining budgets that are the result of reduced student enrollment in BRSD. Our administrative team has met with BRSD to discuss our staffing needs for the fall.

On June 6<sup>th</sup>, the students will have an opportunity to recognize and say farewell to Mr. Yuha and Mrs. MacFadyen. Both have been an integral part of our school and we will miss both of them greatly, but we wish them both well in their retirement and future plans.

Track season is now underway and our senior high athletes have already participated in two events. All of our High School athletes will be moving onto Zones next week. Junior High students have been preparing for track and field in their physical education classes and their first meet is next Tuesday in Camrose.

Tonight we get to recognize and celebrate the achievements of our grade twelve students. This year's theme, Let the Adventure Begin, reminds us that in life there are many challenges and many things in life that come to an end, but they usually lead into something new and exciting. The ceremony is open to the public and will commence at 7:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Congratulations to all of our grade twelve students and on behalf of the staff of Bawlf School, we would like to wish you all the best in all your future adventures.

As we prepare for our next school year, we are working so that transitions for students to new grades are as smooth as possible. We hold three orientations for students that are moving into new divisions. Our ECS orientation will occur on Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. This gives incoming kindergarten students and their parents an opportunity to learn about the ECS program and visit our wonderful school. Parents of students moving into high school, had the opportunity to learn about high school diploma requirements, programming in high school and scholarship information at our Grade Ten orientation night

held at the end of April. In the next few weeks, Mr. Gau and Mr. Chanasyk will be meeting with our grade six students to help prepare them for junior high. If you were unable to attend one of these meetings and have any questions, please contact us at the office. On May 17<sup>th</sup>, our staff had the opportunity to meet during our collaborative day to discuss student successes and next steps. What a fantastic day of sharing and thank you to all of our staff for your hard work this school year in making sure that ALL students are striving towards “*Achieving Excellence.*”

As we move into the final weeks of the school year, it is important that students remain focused on their classes and are setting time aside to begin to prepare for upcoming exams. If they require extra resources or support with preparing for final exams, please do not hesitate to contact their classroom teachers. For a list of all scheduled final exams in June, please see the calendar that is included later in this newsletter and that is posted on our website.

## School News

**🐾 Class Farewell** ~ We are excited and very proud to be able to celebrate with our 18 Grade 12 students, and their families, friends and community members, their Class Farewell! They will all look so amazing! Just a reminder to their parents, below is the timeline for the day.

Here is the itinerary again:

4 p.m.: Class Photo at School

5 p.m.: Banquet at Bawlf Community Hall

7 p.m.: Exercises in School gym (approximately 2 to 2.5 hours long)

Congratulations to all of them!

Please see below some of the priceless advice our current Grade 1 students are giving them, as they “Let the Adventure Begin” in their life beyond Grade 12.



### Grade One Advice to the Graduating Class of 2019

- Don't be scared. You can do it!
- Be nice to others.
- You still have to follow the rules.
- Watch out for strangers.
- Don't talk to people on the street you don't know but it's okay to talk to your boss.
- You're not allowed to go wherever you want. You have to go to school and to work.
- Take care of your pets and farm animals.
- Be quiet when others are sleeping in your apartment building.
- Listen to your boss.

- Don't eat too many snacks or you'll get a tummy ache.
- Eat healthy food.
- You'll have to cook your food, set the table, and clean the dishes.
- Get married and buy a house.
- Don't forget your family.
- Keep track of your money.
- Don't bring your animals to work.
- Take care of your kids when you have them.
- Keep your house or apartment clean.
- Listen to your parents.
- Talk to your parents on the phone.
- Remember to eat foods that are good for you and take care of your allergies.
- Don't forget your phone.
- Take care of your computer.
- Be happy with your job.
- Don't cheat when you do your homework.
- Keep a picture of your mom and dad and family at your place so you can remember what they look like.
- Look after your teeth because Mom won't be around to remind you.
- Make good friends.
- Concentrate hard on your work.
- Don't spend your money on junk.
- When you go somewhere always remember your wallet and your phone.
- Don't forget your stuff at your parents' house.
- Don't take dangerous chances.
- Remember your alarm clock so you're not late for school or work.
- Don't forget your homework and backpack.
- Don't forget your good luck charm.
- Don't forget your friends.
- Remember to lock your doors every night.
- Have fun being a grownup and a parent.
- Have fun and good luck!

🐾 **Happy Harbor Comic Book Fair is coming to Bawlf School!** The Learning Commons will be hosting a Comic Book/Graphic Novels Book Fair on Tuesday, May 28th from 9:30 am until 3:30 pm. *(This event had to be rescheduled from February when buses were not running due to very cold weather)*

Along with the latest Graphic Novels and Comic Books being available for purchase, Happy Harbor Comic Book Fair also brings along 2 professional comic creators and will be there to talk one-on-one to students about their art! Students are encouraged to bring their drawings as well. Hopefully, students will enjoy their experience with local artists.

Please remember this is a one day event and any purchases will need to be made that day.

Please watch the CTV News Segment below or check out the attachment to this bulletin for further information.

<http://edmonton.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=889205&binId=1.1203428&playlistPageNum=1>

🐾 **Bus Driver Appreciation Day** was on Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Our Elementary students presented them all with thank you cards, notes and posters, thanking them for getting them to and from school safe and sound every single day. Not only for that, but for the friendships, the smiles, the waves, and the connections that happen. We truly appreciate what you do! They were treated to Tim Horton's coffee and specialized cupcakes, generously donated by *Cute and Classy Cakes (Tania Greenwald)*.

🐾 **Elementary Track Meet by Mrs. MacDonald** ~ The Bawlf Elementary will be having their track meet on June 12<sup>th</sup> at the school. This will be a combination of traditional track meet and cooperative activities. Students will be competing in same grade groups at a variety of events. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in Grade 4-6 will receive ribbons that were generously sponsored by The Bawlf Recreation Association. Students in Grade K-3 will receive a certificate. As well, participants will be working to earn points for their multi-grade teams. Students will earn points for each event completed, as well as for earning ribbons. At the conclusion of the day, teams that have earned the most points will receive ribbons. The events will start at 9:30 and we will be finished by 2:30. Students are asked to wear appropriate clothing for both physical activity and the day's weather. It is also recommended that they wear sunscreen and bug spray. They may bring snacks and a water bottle in a bag that they can carry with them. Please note that if it is a rainy day, the events will be held in the school. The year end picnic sponsored by Central Agencies is also that day. Hotdogs and watermelon will be served. You do not need to send a lunch with your child, unless you choose to. Thank you to the Bawlf Recreation Association for lending us their barbeque and to all of the parents that are helping with the lunch and the track meet! All students, parents, and staff are welcome to attend and we hope to see you there!

**Spring Concert** ~ We are one week away from Spring Concert! The Drama group has decided not to join us for Fine Arts night, and they will be performing the following week. The Spring Band Concert will be held on Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. in the gym. All Band students from Grades 5 - 12 are expected to attend. The goal of the Band program is to perform in a concert to show the year's work. Students will receive a mark for performing for an audience. Students will be expected to arrive between 6:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.. There is no specific dress code, but I would request that they dress nice. We look forward to having you join us. ECS to Grade 4 do not perform in this concert, only Band students.

**Kindergarten Registration** – Kindergarten is designed for children who will be five years of age before December 31, 2019. Register your child at the school office or call the school office at 780-373-3784 for more information as soon as possible. Birth certificates are required as part of the registration package, as well as legal land description and 9-1-1 address. Mrs. Thomsen, our Kindergarten teacher, will be having an orientation class for all pre-registered Kindergarten students. This is designed to help new Kindergarten students become familiar with the school prior to the beginning of the school year. **Orientation is May 29<sup>th</sup> (see below)!**



**Kindergarten Orientation** ~ You are invited to attend Kindergarten Orientation 2019-2020 on **May 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm** in the Kindergarten room. The purpose of this Orientation is to help prepare your child (and you!) for Kindergarten. We will check out the classroom. You will be able to ask questions regarding Kindergarten and receive information such as a school supply list. You will be able to complete the registration forms for your child, if not already done (please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate if not done). We will have a presentation regarding bus safety and have a chance to ride the bus around Bawlf. Alberta Health Services will also give a presentation regarding programs and services they offer children. Please bring your Kindergarten child with you! We hope you will be able to attend! If you are unable to attend, please contact the school and information will be sent home. Thank you. ~ Mrs. Thomsen

**High School French Trip** by Mlle Marusak ~ Bonjour tout le monde!  
On May 8th the high school French class traveled to Edmonton for their annual French trip. We started off the day with a trip to Café Bicyclette where the girls practiced reading and ordering from a menu written in french and experienced some French foods. The macarons were a tasty favourite! After brunch we traveled to the Citadel Theatre to watch Shakespeare's "The Tempest". As a nice surprise students got to experience the play both in English as well as in American Sign Language. It was a successful day and a great chance for students to practice their French in a real world setting. À mes étudiants, merci de votre attention et de votre participation en français cette année!

**Grade 12 Scholarships!** Grade 12 students received Bawlf School scholarship information in March. Rutherford scholarship application, student loan information, and specific Bawlf School scholarships were discussed. This information can also be accessed on the Bawlf School homepage under Students > Scholarships

**High School Students and Parents!** Check out our website, under the Students tab, look at the Scholarship link. There is a list of all the scholarships available to apply for, as well as other post secondary information that is very valuable! Lots to know!



**YEARBOOK INFORMATION! PLEASE READ! PLEASE NOTE:** *If we do not sell enough books this year, it will be the last year for a Bawlf School Yearbook.*

We are sending each family an order form (youngest or only child) for a pre-order of this year's yearbook (delivery will be in the fall). You can return the order form, along with a cheque for \$30 to the office. If you would rather pay online, please let Mrs. Szott know, and that will be set up. **\*\*As of today, only 12 books left to sell, so do not delay in ordering!\*\***  
~ Mrs. MacFadyen

## School Council & BEST News

### BEST:

BEST has had a fantastic year! Thank you to all of our supporters!

Fundscrip has raised \$2,817 to date, and is increasing all the time thanks to all those who have switched to paying for everyday purchases with gift cards! This is our easiest fundraiser and the boost in support this year has surprised and delighted us. If you would like to learn how to join Fundscrip online to make direct purchases, please contact Everly at 780-679-8885 or go to [fundscrip.com](http://fundscrip.com) and use supporter code UDJFXB.

Ham and Egger lunches raised \$2,242 this year! Many thanks to our coordinator, Miriam Rookmaker, all the VOLUNTEERS (we couldn't do this without you!) and those who graciously donate all the supplies! So appreciated!

Wipf's Greenhouse fundraiser netted \$1,038! We'd like to hear your feedback on this one, do we want to make this 'annual flower sale' an annual event?

Big Box Fundraising numbers are still being tallied, as we'll have some boxes leftover to sell once all return and orders are distributed. Estimated profit will be \$3,600. You guys rocked this one again!

Gift Card winners:

Stanly Mattinson, Gavin Gallon, Rayna Hafso, Noah Sowery  
Class Pizza Party winners: Grade 2

By supporting BEST you are providing additional educational opportunities for Bawlf School Students. Funds raised support costs of field trips, special in class presentations (LEGO Create & Learn, guest speakers), purchases of equipment and maintenance of the running track.

Join us for the AGM June 11 at 6:00 at the school.



**BEST Foundation**  
Bawlf Educational Support Team

## Parent Council:

### From your School Council;

Council met on May 16. The agenda is posted on the website if you would like to view it. The minutes will be posted within 2 weeks. It's been a busy couple of months with school activities hot lunches and meetings. We also saw a provincial election and are patiently waiting to see how that will affect the Alberta Education System. Currently there is no word on what will happen with the current curriculum redevelopment that has been going on. I was fortunate to attend the Alberta School Councils Association Annual Conference and AGM April 26-28. This year marked the 90th Anniversary of ASCA. It was a very informative weekend. This year's conversation exchange focused on "How do school councils promote positive engagement and meaningful "bridging" in the community to benefit student success." Saturday morning Diane, Karen and myself started off the event with our presentation on **Building**

**Positive Relationships with School Councils.** The presentation was a celebration, from three perspectives, of the impact of building and maintaining positive relationships between School Councils, School Boards and School Divisions. I have to admit it was very nerve wracking to speak to 400+ people, but it was an honor to be asked and a humbling experience nonetheless. I want to thank the BRSD Board of Trustees for sending delegates to this conference every year. On May 2 I attended one of the four evening sessions that the Board of Trustees held regarding the current electoral wards, the areas that each of our trustees is elected from. Are these areas still right areas? Are they working for our division, our schools and us as families in the division? It was an educational session, and we look forward to hearing more from our trustee's in the future. On May 29 I will be attending the final COSC meeting of this school year. Other business: We will be using the google volunteer form again next year. Please take the time to fill in the form when it is emailed to you. The information is valuable to both School Council and BEST. Just a reminder to all parents / guardians that the school has a twitter account and it is a great way to see what is happening at the school. Check out the school website. Until next time, enjoy the weather and we hope to see you at the AGM in June. Best Regards Christee Langkamp School Council Chair.

**Grab & Go Breakfast Program:** The program continues to be a success and once again a huge thank you to Mrs. Miske for all of your help this year. Thank you to Mrs. Barber for organizing the junior/senior high bins for us and the leadership class for helping out with the elementary area. We have had a couple of cereal days which have been a big hit (approx. 200 served) so we would like to attempt to have those at least monthly next year. Thank you to the parent volunteers that have come in those mornings to help out – Chelsea Bergstrom, Leanne Nelson, Trudi Duheme, Erica Bacso and Terry Lynn Sereda. Muffins mornings were also a big hit. There have been 2 of those since January (roughly 725 muffins have been made and consumed) There will be one maybe two more scheduled by the end of the school year. Thank you to Christee Langkamp for providing these for the students. The breakfast program will also be supporting the diploma exam student's test mornings with donating juice/water and granola bar prior to writing the exams. Just a reminder this program is free of charge and is available to all students at the Bawlf School.

**Hot Lunch Program:** Although we are not seeing the same numbers this year the lunch program is still going strong. As of May 15 there have been about 5854 orders placed (including garlic bread and fruit cups). We will continue to use Healthy Hunger next year for our online support. Please remember if you want to participate in the program but do not want the online option there is a paper option to order. Contact council at [bawlfschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bawlfschoolcouncil@gmail.com) for more information. We will be keeping the same line up of restaurants next year but will also be adding options of Booster Juice and Boston Pizza. We know that there are a lot of options but we are trying to meet the requests of many families. Some weeks next year will see two lunches once again. As the lunch schedule goes in soon we do not know the exam schedules for next year so we will do our

best to schedule around that but there is no guarantee that a lunch date will not fall on during the exam weeks.

### School Council AGM Announcement

School Council will be having our Annual General Meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Grade 12 Homeroom.

*School councils consist of parents, principals, teachers, secondary students who work together to support and enhance student learning. We are an advisory committee who will focus on what is best for all students in the school, consider the interests of all school community members, and represent the parent voice in the school community. We also run the Grab & Go breakfast program and Hot Lunch program.*

The agenda and previous minutes will be emailed to all families prior to the meeting.

If you would like to join Council please contact Christee Langkamp at [bawlschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bawlschoolcouncil@gmail.com).

Nominations will be open for the following positions:

Vice Chair (2 year term)

Secretary (2 year term)

Grab & Go Breakfast Coordinator (2 year term)

Non official parent members (1 year term)

We meet every other month for 1 ½ to 2 hours.

### Athletic News

It's Track time!

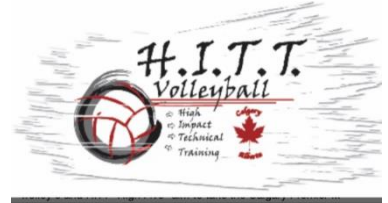
**Junior High track** kicks off on Tuesday, the 28<sup>th</sup>, with BRSD Divisionals in Camrose. Our JH Wildcats have been practicing and are ready to compete! Good luck!

**High School Track** ~ Our Track team has been very successful through 2 competitions (City/County meet on May 15<sup>th</sup> and Areas on May 22<sup>nd</sup>). We want to wish Kyla Nemeth, Cale Yurkoski, Devin Naslund and Halle Huseby the best of luck as they compete at Zones on Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>!

### Community News

**Bawlf History Book!** Please contact either Ron Pederson @ 373-2255 or Dale Uglem @ 373-3743 to order your copy! All orders require a \$40 deposit. Books will be available at the Homecoming in 2020. If you would like to order the original book, they cost \$100 and must be paid in full. Orders can be mailed to: Bawlf History Book, Box 82, Bawlf, T0B 0J0. Also, check out our Facebook page: Bawlf History Book.

**Raptors Volleyball** ~ We are going to be hosting a HITT volleyball camp again this year in Bawlf School from October 4-6. This is a huge opportunity to have elite coaches come out and work with the kids. The cost is \$110 for 3 sessions and will run as follows: Senior High: Oct 4 from 5-7 p.m., and Oct 5 from 9-11:30 and 1-3:30; Junior High: Oct 5 from 5-7:30 and Oct 6 from 9-11:30 and 1-3:30. Please register with Andrea Van Brabant as there are limited spots available @ 780-781-1119 or [volleyballavb@gmail.com](mailto:volleyballavb@gmail.com).



**Wedding Shower** Season is upon us! The following are all happening at the Rosalind Drop-In Centre.

Kyle Kvemshagen & Jordyn Riexinger – June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 1 p.m.  
Chance Szott & Maria Bourdages – June 9<sup>th</sup> @ 2 p.m.

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our website! [www.brsd.ab.ca/school/bawlf](http://www.brsd.ab.ca/school/bawlf)**

**PLUS! Find us on Twitter!  
@BawlfSchool ~ we tweet out almost daily of  
what's happening in our classrooms with  
exciting experiments, projects and planned  
events!  
Check. It. Out.!!!**