

# The Bulletin



**BAWLF SCHOOL**  
*Achieving Excellence*

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## Upcoming Events!

- Dec 19 Last day of classes (of the decade!)
- Dec 20 School closed
- Jan 6 Mad Platter hot lunch
- Jan 6 JH Basketball league games @ CCHS
- Jan 9 Staff Meeting – early dismissal @ 1:50
- Jan 9 HS Basketball league games hosting New Norway
- Jan 10 Panago hot lunch
- Jan 10 & 11 JH Basketball tourney @ Hay Lakes
- Jan 13 JH Basketball league games hosting OLMP
- Jan 14 BEST/Parent Council meeting @ 7 p.m.
- Jan 14 Social 30 Part A Diploma
- Jan 15 Boston Pizza hot lunch
- Jan 17 Staff Collaboration Day – School closed
- Jan 17 & 18 HS Boys Basketball tourney @ Bashaw
- Jan 17 & 18 JH Basketball tourney @ CCHS
- Jan 20 JH Basketball league games hosting New Norway
- Jan 20 Chopped Leaf hot lunch
- Jan 22 Math 30 Diploma

Next Bulletin: January 23<sup>rd</sup>

## Notes From Administration – Mr. Chansyk

Merry Christmas! The last one of the decade! Ack, that's scary! A special thank you to Mrs. Kruchten, Rebecca Bridger, the High School Students' Union, and all those who helped organize the annual turkey dinner on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The money raised helps support student activities throughout the year. Thank you if you helped or came out!

Our December 6<sup>th</sup>, Collaboration Day was spent in conversations around our students. Staff worked together to

plan out next steps needed to support our students. These conversations are really important in *Achieving Excellence*!

Basketball is well under way! JH Wildcats hosted their home tournament this past weekend, thanks to Mr. Munro and our coaches Mr. Banack, Mrs. Banack, Miss Marusak, Mrs. Lyons and all of the concession workers for their work in making it a great tournament. Best wishes to all teams in upcoming tournaments. Go, Wildcats!

A special thank you to Mrs. Barber and all the staff that helped with the Christmas Concert performance. Well done to our elementary classes and all of our band classes who worked so hard and we hope you enjoyed the performance! Thanks to the Grade 5's for hosting and the Grade 8's who decorated! Thank you to everyone for bringing a food bank item as well.

We held our annual school-wide Christmas luncheon on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Mrs. Erickson, Mrs. Szott and all the staff and parents that helped make this happen (Michelle Beattie, Cheryl Henderson, Julie Huseby, Dwayne and Cheryl Holowachuk, Janice Steil, Crystal Kelland, Leanne Nelson, and Heather Cunningham). Thank you to Ember Resources, John and Christee Langkamp, and an anonymous donor and all the parents and students that brought items for this event. This is just another great example of what it means to be a supportive and caring school community!

Students in Junior High get to go ice fishing this afternoon! That should be a great experience! Thanks to Mr. Gau and Mr. Munro for arranging it.

With winter upon us, we are in the season of bus route delays and cancellations and we would like to remind everyone of the notification system. If there is a change to the bus schedule, it will appear in an ALERT banner about half way down of the school and BRSD website. Every family affected by a bus route delay or cancellation should also receive an automated phone message. **It is also important that students dress appropriately for the weather during cold winter days!**



**Grade 3 Gingerbread House building** ~ The grade threes built their gingerbread houses on December 13<sup>th</sup>. This project covered outcomes in Art, Science and Social Studies. Thank you to Sady Bjorge, Carolyn Brown and Ronelle Gerber for coming in to make icing. The houses were on display in the library and went home on Christmas Concert night.



## School Council

On behalf the School Council I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Healthy Happy New Year.

Council's upcoming meeting dates: January 14/20, March 10/20, May 12/20, Annual General Meeting June 9, 2020

Also attached to the newsletter is a poster detailing three upcoming parent sessions that we will be offering. January 14<sup>th</sup> is a presentation on Drugs and Alcohol, February 25<sup>th</sup> we are offering the Kids Have Stress presentation (this is geared towards ECS-Grade 6 age children) and on March 10<sup>th</sup> we are offering a Teens Stress presentation. Although it is not mandatory to RSVP, we are asking that parents please try to do so in order to let the presenters know how many people will be there. If you are able to come please email [bawlfsschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bawlfsschoolcouncil@gmail.com) or text 780-678-7165.

**I want to encourage all parents to participate in the Thoughts Exchange that is happening by our Board of Trustees, you should have received the link to the 'survey' please take the time to participate, share your thoughts and rate those of others. This is a chance for your parental voice to be heard.**

## Breakfast Program

We were fortunate to receive \$900 for our Breakfast Grab & Go Program from "Show Kids You Care"!

Show Kids You Care leads a national network of meal programs for kids living in poverty and other difficult situations in Canada. The programs are run by teachers, community workers, parents and other volunteers who get up each morning to bring and serve nutritious breakfast, lunch and even after school snacks to hungry kids.

They raise money from compassionate Canadians and companies and help fund the cost of food and equipment needed to store and serve these meals. They also work to educate the public about child hunger issues and the need for a national meal program. Currently they partner with more than 700 programs across Canada feeding almost 150,000 children each and every week. Their goal is to increase that to 250,000 kids.

## Hot Lunch Program

Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers that have come in to sort, distribute and make our lunches as well as those families that have offered to donate to our homemade lunches. Without this support we would not be able to offer this program the staff, students and council are very grateful for the continued support.

## BEST

The next BEST meeting date is January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. All parents welcome.

Watch for Wipf's Greenhouse Fundraising forms to come out in January!

## Athletic News

**High School Girls Volleyball** ~ by Mrs. Holm ~ Well, the high school girls volleyball season has come to an end. After defeating CACHS in the finals at Zones, we made the long trip down to Bow Island to compete in Provincials. The girls lost their first round robin game to Acme but then went on to win the rest of the round robin games and placed second in their pool. We then defeated Foremost in the quarter final which put us up against CACHS in the semi-final. We lost the first set, but battled back to win the next two and a chance at the gold medal. The girls played hard but could not defend against the 6'2" Acme girls. The team should be very proud with winning a silver medal at provincials. Well done girls! I would like to personally thank all the parents for their support throughout the season, from bringing food for our home tournament, working the concession, and cheering on the side lines. Thanks for a great season!

**🐾 High School Basketball** ~ Here are our rosters for our High School Wildcats this season!

Boys	Girls
Reagan Baumle	Zoey Baker
Connor Holowachuk	Grayce Flemming
Brenden Irvine	Emily Grouette
Jessey Lewicki	Halle Huseby
Chase Masson	Shalane Munro
Colton Raynard	Hope Reimer
Casey Severson	Natasha Siewert
Ashton Sroka	Jordyn Watson
Wade Stordahl	Coch: Jody Watson
Thomas Sware	Asst Coach: Dennis Sereda
Owen Tomaszewski	
Coch: Rob Longhurst	
Asst Coach: Al Dyck	

**🐾 Junior High Basketball** ~ Here are our rosters for our Junior High Wildcats this season!

Boys	Girls
Scott Barber	Amy Borman
Erik Buchart	Makenzie Bratrud
Michael Dingman	Madison Dyck
Ethan Hegholz	Jaycee Ellis
Austin Herder	Shaye Flemming
James Langard	Shelby Hafso
Ben MacDonald	Megan Herder
Koal Masson	Makena Huseby
Nathan Nikiforuk	Makayla Raynard
Tyler Nikiforuk	Brook Schacher
Dom Pasychnyk	Isabella Schacher
Cory Sereda	Ashley Siewert
Brock Sware	Edyn Van Brabant
Griffin Van Petten	Taryn Watson
Coch: Lucas Banack	Coch: Melisa Marusak
Asst Coach: Sharon Banack	Asst Coach: Janine Lyons

**🐾 High School Girls Basketball** ~ Senior Girls started their season with a tournament in Breton. We have 15 girls on the team and they are all ready and eager to represent Bawlf School. The girls came out victorious against Hay Lakes with great contributions by all players. The girls are coached by Mr. Sereda and Mr. Watson ~ the girls are learning lots of new phrases from Mr. Sereda and finding out how crazy Mr. Watson really is! The past weekend, the team was in Edmonton at the Elevate tournament, where they had the opportunity to play a top 10 2A team in the province as well as a team from British Columbia and Saskatchewan. It was a great learning experience for the girls and shows just how much work we have to do this season. Mr. Watson and Mr. Sereda are very excited for the season and are hoping that the girls have as much fun this season as we are having coaching them. Next action for the team won't be until January where they play New Norway at home on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

**🐾 High School Boys Basketball** ~ The High School Boys basketball team is off to a great start this year. We placed 2nd in our first tournament in Vermillion and finished 6th out of 16 teams in the Icebreaker in Forestburg. We are currently sitting at 1-1 in league play. In the New Year, we return to face New Norway in Bawlf on January 9th. The team is young with a tremendous amount of potential. I am looking forward to the season getting into full swing.

**🐾 Junior High Boys Basketball** ~ The JH boys have been busy this season, it started by taking third place in the Tip Off Tournament in Ryley. They have only played in one league so far which was in Bashaw, unfortunately losing that game. This past weekend the boys competed in their own tournament, with two wins and one loss, resulting in second place finish. Thank you to all the parents and staff, who donated food and volunteered their time in the concession. Thank you to the fans who came out and cheered on their local teams and Lucas Banack who filled in for a ref and who donated 100 Remax water bottles for our tournament. The stands were full for every game, the players appreciated every cheer shouted for them. Come out and support our team in the new year, check our school website for up and coming games and tournaments.

**🐾 Junior High Girls Basketball** ~ The Junior Girls have started their season off strong! They competed in their first league game on December 9th and defeated Bashaw. The team also hosted their home tournament on December 13th/14th and won gold against Hay Lakes in the final. Even though the season has just begun we have made huge improvements as a team. Great job, Wildcats!

**🐾 Minidunkers (Gr 5 & 6)** ~ The Mini-Dunkers have started practicing. Their games will begin on January 27 at Bawlf School. Please see the schedule below. We welcome all fans to come out and cheer us on! Thank you, Mr. Longhurst for coaching the team this year!

<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Jan 27</b> Daysland @ Bawlf- end at 5:00pm
<b>Week 2</b>	<b>Feb.3</b> Bawlf @ Forestburg- home at 5:45 pm
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Feb.10</b> Killam @ Bawlf- end at 5:00 pm
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Feb.24</b> Viking @ Bawlf- end at 5:00 pm
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>March 9</b> Bawlf @ Sedgewick - home at 5:45 pm
<b>Final Tournament: March 19 at Viking - home at 3:15 pm</b>	

## Community News

### **BAWLF HOMECOMING MEETING**

Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m. at the Bawlf Village Office Council Chambers.

Please plan to attend if you would like to be on the committee or to be involved in any way!

Homecoming 2020 will take place July 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> and will correspond with the launch of the New History Book!

Please info call Kathleen at 780-373-2250



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