

The Bulletin



BAWLF SCHOOL
Achieving Excellence

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Upcoming Events:

Feb 25 & 26	HS Boys & Girls bball @ Hay Lakes tourney
March 1	Papa John's Pizza hot lunch
March 2	JH Ski trip to Red Deer
March 3	100 th Day of School – Pajama Day!
March 3	Staff meeting – early dismissal @ 1:45
March 4 & 5	BRSD JH Basketball Regionals
March 8	Hot breakfast for all students
March 10	East Side Marios' hot lunch
March 11	HS Basketball Zones
March 15	Panago Pizza hot lunch
March 17	BEST Ham & Egger lunch
March 17-19	HS Basketball Provincials
March 22	Mad Platter hot lunch
March 24	Subway hot lunch
March 26-April 3	Spring break

of course, dates are subject to change

Next Bulletin: March 23rd

Notes From Administration ~

Happy February! We are fully into the second semester and planning for next year has begun. If you know of families who are interested in ECS (fifth birthday falls before December 31, 2022), please let them know that ECS registration is open. Check out our website for information.

A big welcome to Bianca who joins our Grade 10 class from Brazil! She will be with us starting March 1st until June, and a big thank you to our Grade 10's in advance for their welcoming spirit.

Our Pink Shirt day had many different aspects throughout the school. Our Grade 3, 4 & 8 groups all had various activities to educate and bring awareness to the issue of bullying and harassment. Mrs. Kroetsch has been very busy with selecting readings for her classes and also the celebration of literacy week in which we had some guest authors and many exposures to different genres through the week. .

It seems that winter and the cold weather will just not let go, so please ensure students are dressed for the weather!

We have a Junior High ice fishing trip, a Junior High ski trip, reading buddies and all of our basketball teams are winding down with the playoffs coming up shortly ~ just to name some highlights! Thank you to all the staff, volunteers, and coaches for organizing and making these events happen. And thank you to all the hot lunch volunteers, it is greatly appreciated!

Thank you to all of our BEST volunteers who did a phenomenal job for helping us out with fundraising this year. A big thank you to BEST itself for this continued support of our school.

Senior High students have access to myPass and myBlueprint to keep track of their courses and grades and to help prepare them for life after high school. myPass is run by Alberta Education and has the official credit count and has a checklist students can look at to see how they are progressing towards graduation. Students should go into myPass after Semester 1 to see that their courses are in there and to see their credit count. Junior high and senior high students also have access to myBlueprint. Grade 7-10 students have been working on post-secondary possibilities using this site, so please talk to your student about how they have been using this site!

School News

🐾 WILDCAT SPIRITWEAR! ~ Interested in Wildcat Spirit Wear? Check out our new online store at <https://bawlfschool.entripyshops.com/>. Hoodies, pants, shorts, hats, water bottles, bags, so many choices and a lot of it is customizable! See the poster attached!

🌸 Kindergarten Registrations now accepted for 2022-2023

~ Kindergarten is designed for children who will be five years of age on or before December 31, 2022. Mrs. Thomsen, our Kindergarten teacher, will hopefully be having an orientation class for all pre-registered Kindergarten students, but it will be dependent on Covid protocols. This is designed to help new Kindergarten students become familiar with the school prior to the beginning of the school year. Orientation day for new ECS students will be held prior to the end of the school year. If we are unable to hold this event, pre-recorded videos of all items will be sent via email to all parents.

We are also accepting registrations for any students that will be new to Bawlf School for the 2022-2023 school year, Grades One-Twelve.

Registration forms can be picked up at the Bawlf School office (please call ahead) or found either on the Bawlf School or Battle River School Division websites.

Birth certificates are required as part of the registration package, as well as legal land description and your 9-1-1 address. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Bawlf School at (780) 373-3784.

🌸 **Breakfast will be served!** ~ On Tuesday, March 8th, Mad Platter Catering will be here to serve up a hot breakfast for all students and staff! Yum! We will be in contact with those parents that have students with food allergies. This is paid for by the President's Choice Children's Charity *Power Full Kids Eat Well* program.

🌸 **News from the Learning Commons ~ by Mrs. Kroetsch** ~ *Literacy Week* was January 23rd - 27th. and we celebrated during library classes by doing activities and enjoyed making literacy crafts in Grades ECS - 6.

Students have been:

- Making their own Valentines bookmarks
- Cutting out playdough letters
- Making letter or friendship bracelets
- Doing a lego word challenge
- Searching for letters & words in their very own "I Spy" kit
- Coloring bookmarks.

We have also enjoyed some very "Special" mystery guest readers during our morning announcements. A very big thank you to our special guest readers:

- Mrs. Szott
- Mrs. Loesch
- Mrs. Donohue
- Mrs. Zarski
- Mrs. Gjesdahl
- Camrose Kodiak's

During *Random Acts of Kindness* week we have been making a Kindness Tree where they wrote ways they could be kind on heart shapes and attached them to the tree. We have enjoyed

reading stories about being kind and *Valentine's Day* stories this past month.

Our new books from our Scholastic Book Fair are now out and displayed in the Learning Commons. Grades 5, 6 & 8 enjoyed a *Blind Date with a Book* where they had to choose from a brief description on the outside of a wrapped book, then unwrap it and enjoy reading for the next week.

🌸 **Yearbooks – Don't delay!** The 2022 Yearbook is shaping up to be pretty amazing, so don't forget to order one! Cost is \$30 to secure one for delivery in the fall, so don't delay! Cost is \$30 ~ drop off your payment to the office sooner than later! (Still a few 2021 yearbooks if you missed getting your copy! \$30 to the office.)

🌸 **School Fees** ~ The latest version of school fee invoices for this school year were sent home with students yesterday so if you haven't seen them yet, please ask your child. For Junior and Senior High students, Term 3 option fees have been applied and are on these latest invoices. Also, Grade 12 parents, grad fees are on these as well. Any concerns about fees can be directed to Principal Dimond.

BEST

BEST Foundation **Wipf's Greenhouse**

Thank you to all who ordered flowers for our fundraiser. We raised an amazing \$1915! These orders will be ready in May. We will let you know the exact date closer to May.

Casino

The Casino fundraiser was a success! Thank you to Angela Meyer, Bill and Crystal Kelland, Steph Enright, Corina Thue, Leah Thue, Tana Munro, Heather Carlson, Emily Herder, Jason and Leah Rasmuson, Erin Mayou, Amber Todd, Tanya Welch, Tara Miller, Matt and Kait Davies and Gordie Blatz for each working a shift at the casino. It is so appreciated!

Ham and Egger Lunch

The first Ham and Egger lunch was on February 3rd. Thank you to Miriam Rookmaker, Leah Thue, Tana Munro, Ainsley Severson, Alison Stang and Chelsea Bergstrom for their time in helping to prepare the ham and eggert that day. We would also like to express our appreciation to those who made donations: Janice Steil, Colleen MacDonald, Samara Schmidt, Terry-Lynn Sereda, Leanne Schwaiger, Andrea Cunningham, Bawlf School and the Szott family. The next ham and egger lunch will be March 17th. If you are interested in helping prepare or donate to this lunch, please contact Everly Larson at 780-679-8885.

Athletics



🐾 Junior High Girls Basketball ~ *by Ms. Marusak* ~ Mrs. Lyons and I are thrilled to announce that the Junior Girls finished first in their league giving them an automatic advancement to regionals! Woohoo! Other notable accomplishments include winning gold at their very last tournament of the year which was hosted in mid-February by Charlie Killam.

The team continues to work hard to fine tune things in their last remaining practices of the year before they head out to compete in regionals on March 4th and 5th.

These girls have been a blast to coach and spend our weekend and after school hours with and they should be very proud of the hard work and dedication they have put in this season. Please cheer us on at Regionals! Go Cats!

🐾 Junior High Boys Basketball~Team Black ~ *by Mr. Chanasyk* ~ What a good season with lots of learning and so much improvement! We ended up fourth in our division and didn't make it to Regionals, but we are very proud of the boys and how hard they worked and how much they grew this season. Big thanks to Mr. Colton Raynard and Mr. Tyler Nikiforuk for coaching and to all of our parents and supporters for driving and cheering!

🐾 Junior High Boys Basketball~Team Gold ~ *by Mr. Chanasyk* ~ These boys are going to be good. We have been working hard and have done really well in all of our tournaments and games! Thanks to all of the parents and supporters for driving and supporting us this season!

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