

The Bulletin



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Upcoming Events:

March 24	Subway hot lunch
March 24	Travel club departs!
March 25	2 nd Annual Battle of Alberta – Oilers vs Flames
March 26-April 3	Spring break
April 4	School resumes
April 4	English 30 Part A diploma exam
April 4	East Side Marios hot lunch
April 6	English 30 Part B diploma exam
April 7	Pape Johns pizza hot lunch
April 7	Green Shirt Day
April 11-13	HS Ski Trip to Jasper
April 12	Quarter 3 ends
April 13	First day of Quarter 4
April 13	HS Badminton – City/County playdowns
April 14	Reports cards go home for all students
April 14	Panago hot lunch
April 14	JH Badminton Divisionals
April 15	Good Friday – school closed
April 18	Easter Monday – school closed
April 19	Subway hot lunch
April 20	HS Badminton – Area playdowns
April 20	K-6 Parent Teacher Interviews
April 21	JH Badminton Regionals
April 28	Booster Juice hot lunch
April 29	Staff Collaboration – school closed
April 30	HS Badminton - Zones

of course, dates are subject to change

Next Bulletin: April 27th



Notes From Administration ~

Our Junior High students finally got to go ice fishing last week! A huge thank you to Mrs. Steil for helping to get everything set up and to Mr. Herder and Mr. Rookmaker for their much needed help as well. We didn't get a bite, but it was a beautiful afternoon outside! Our Junior High also got to go skiing/snowboarding to Canyon Ski Hill. Thanks to Mr. Munro for driving and Miss Ortman and Miss Nycholat for their help as well on both of these events!

Thank you to all the parents who joined us for the Grade 7-12 Parent Teacher Interviews last week. After Spring Break, it will be a sprint to the end of the third quarter (April 12th) and we start the last quarter on April 13th. Report cards for ECS-Grade 12 will go out April 14th, and ECS-Grade 6 Interviews/Conferences will be Wednesday, April 20th. At any time, if you have questions or concerns, please reach out to teachers!

With the weather giving us some more hours of sunlight, it is important for all of us to remember that a proper sleep is still very important to our overall health!! It is essential!

A huge thank you to BEST and the Bawlf Recreation Board for their generous support of various activities and programs. We greatly appreciate it!

We've had many great in-class things going on - be sure to check out Twitter and Instagram for updates! One big event was our Grade 6's organizing a Book Tasting. With help from Mrs. Kroetsch, students engaged "customers" to give them a taste of a variety of great books. Well done Grade 6's!

Another big thank you to all of our coaches and players and supporters of our basketball season. Congratulations to a great group of athletes! Both our Senior Boys and Girls had great seasons (Boys Bronze at Zones, Girls Bronze at Provincials) and our Jr Girls finished with Bronze at Regionals. Jr Boys finished just out of Regionals but all the Jr Boys had great seasons. Badminton for High School has started, and Junior High will start after the break. Thanks to Mr. Watson, Mr.

Munro, Mrs. Rasmuson, Miss Marusak, Mrs. Lyons, Mr. Raynard, and Mr. Tyler Nikiforuk for your coaching efforts and dedication! Can't play without coaches! To the players, we are so proud of your efforts! Despite a crazy year, you demonstrated great resilience and determination. To our supporters, thanks so much for driving, cheering and supporting!

Our SAVY Group has been hard at work surveying students in Grades 7-12 about clubs and groups they might be interested in. These groups will be starting after Spring Break. Make sure and look for the sign-up sheets.

Many activities and programs are in the works for spring, so stay tuned for more information coming!

Thank you to all the parents, students, community members and staff who selflessly help promote and build our Wildcat culture. Our students work very hard as do all the stakeholders in their education. We are proud that they choose to be Wildcats and to further the legacy. Go, Wildcats!

School News

🐾 **WILDCAT SPIRITWEAR!** ~ Interested in Wildcat Spirit Wear? Check out our new online store at <https://bawlschool.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.

ALL Kindergarten registrants who require bussing MUST register with BRSD Transportation, regardless if they have an older sibling already riding the bus. Online registration for this opens on June 1st.

🐾 **2nd Annual Battle of Alberta Jersey Day** ~ This Friday, March 25th, we will be having our 2nd annual Oilers vs Flames fan competition. Which team has more fans in our school? Wear your jerseys, shirts, pants, tattoos, socks, and whatever else to show your support for your team!



🐾 **Travel Club ~ by Mr. Munro** ~ Tomorrow is the BIG day! After many, many months of the unknown, we are finally going to be on our way! Twenty high school students will be departing, along with Mr. Munro, Mr. Yuha and Mrs. Lyster, to tour the countries of Italy and Greece. We will be flying from Edmonton straight to Amsterdam tomorrow afternoon, then on to Athens, then taking a ferry to Italy. We return on Saturday, April 2nd. Looking forward to hearing all about the experience!

🐾 **Class Farewell** ~ Planning for Farewell is wrapping up as not all Grade 12's are taking Biology or Science next term. The evening will be as follows:

Friday, May 27: Ceremony at 7 pm

Class Picture at 6 pm

Doors Open to guests at 6:15 pm

Details regarding reserved seating, additional guests and invitations will be sent out in early April. Please watch your emails.

🐾 **Learning Commons ~ by Mrs. Kroetsch**

Book Tasting

A very big THANK YOU to the Grade 6 Class and Mrs. Barber for participating in our "Book Tasting" in the Learning Commons. The Grade 6 Class did a wonderful job of presenting their tastes (Appetizer/Main Course/Dessert) of a number of books for Grade's ECS - 3 to enjoy last Friday when the Learning Commons turned into the Wildcat Snack Shack. Also, thank you to parents who came to check it out. Great job Grade 6 Class!!!

March Fun for Grades ECS - 2

To celebrate the **100th day of school** we had a search in the Learning Commons for numbers up to 100 and then lined them up across the floor.

For **St. Patrick's Day** we went on a Treasure Hunt for gold.

New Books

Our students are continuing to enjoy all our new library books as they hit the shelves...awesome reading students!!! Spring and Easter books are now on display for our student enjoyment.

Happy Spring from the Learning Commons!

🌸 **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.)

🌸 **Little Caesars Fundraiser ~ by Mrs. Holm** ~ The Junior and Senior high basketball teams participated in a Little Caesars Fundraiser. Together they sold 316 kits raising \$1,896.00. Top selling families were Hafso, Sereda, Masson and Thue. Thanks everyone for a job well done and to all those who supported the fundraiser.

🌸 **Grade 5 & 6 Ranch Camp ~ by Mrs. Barber** ~ Thank you to all of the staff members and parents who contributed to the Grade 5 and 6 concession fundraiser for Ranch Camp. It was a great success and we raised approximately \$2,000! As donations have continued to come in, I am sure that there are people that have been missed, but thank you to the following people for their donations of food or funds:

Crystal Kelland, Erin Mayou, Janet and Tony Thomsen, Danielle Vriend, Leanne Bjorndalen, Juliana Capone, Sadie Bjorge, Nichole Krause, Lori Beaumont, Calvin Malaka, Jen Crawford, Tenille Paul, Hailey Ortman, Colleen MacDonald, Sandra Borman, Shirley Lyster, Norine Johnson, Janice Kroetch, Theresa Kruchten, Brian Lindberg, Sharon Banack, Bev Szott, Pam Knudsen, Chelsea Bergstrom, Heather Bratrud, Kait Davis, Kerri Geisbrecht, Tara Miller, Amber Todd, Corina Thue, Melissa Skinner, Bernadette Bendfeld, Alison Stang, Amber Dodsworth, Krista Stenlund, Tara Kruger, Everly Larson, Nutrien Rosalind (Dallas Barber and Derek Friend).

We would also like to thank the following people for volunteering their time to work a shift or two to run the concession: Crystal Kelland, Kait Davies and family, Miriam Rookmaker, Corina Thue, Amber Todd, Hailey Ortman, Alexyn Nycholat, Colleen MacDonald, Amber Dodsworth, Jaclyn Schacher, Tara and Ken Miller, and Marie Blatz.

The students are excited for their upcoming trip in May!

🌸 **Green Shirt Day – April 7th** ~ In honour of the Logan Boulet effect, in support of organ donor awareness and registration across Canada, please wear green! Check it out at <https://greenshirtday.ca/>



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Ham and Egger Lunch

The Ham and Egger lunch on March 17 was a success! Thanks so much to those who volunteered to prepare: Miriam Rookmaker, Heather Cunningham, Corina Thue, Jen Crawford, Danielle Vriend and Tana Munro. We would also like to express our appreciation to those who made donations: Leah Thue, Alison Stang, Amber Todd, Everly Larson and Bawlf School. **Please note that we have changed the date of our next Ham and Egger due to Ranch Camp. The next lunch will be held on May 12!** If you would like to help prepare or donate to this lunch, please contact Everly Larson at 780-679-8885.

Athletics



🌸 **HS Curling ~ by Mrs. Enright** ~ Our Bawlf curling team wrapped up their season with a pizza and curling night on March 15th. Participating students showed great improvement in their skill development and game play over the course of the season. Next year we hope to enter a couple high school events and playdowns.

🌸 **Junior High Girls Basketball ~ by Ms. Marusak** ~ What an incredible season! It's hard to believe basketball is over for yet another year! The girls battled against bad weather and roads to finally participate in Regionals on March 11th and 14th. Their first game was supposed to be a match up against Forestburg. However, Forestburg was unable to attend regionals due to poor weather and roads. Our girls then battled against Sedgewick who we had not yet faced this year. We struggled with their height and pressure and came up a bit short with a heartbreaking loss. However, Bawlf girls are strong and they persevered against Hay Lakes in the bronze medal final and were victorious! Third in the entire Region is definitely something to be very proud of, and Mrs. Lyons and I are ecstatic to end the season with the girls on such a high note. We are very proud of our hard working group of girls and it has been a great season overall with tons of growth and development. Of course, every year us coaches must say a bittersweet goodbye to our grade nine players as they graduate from junior high basketball into high school sports. Mrs. Lyons and I have thoroughly enjoyed coaching and spending our time with each of our grade nines. We are sad to see you go but we know you will be great going forward! Additionally, I would like to thank our parents, our fans, video streamers, score keepers and anyone else involved in the season. None of this would be possible without you. Truly, thank you for what you do for our school and our student athletes. I am hoping we can

all find time to relax in the coming months as school team sports are finally winding down. Mrs. Lyons and I look forward to our returning grade eights, sevens and upcoming sixes for next year's season. Great work, Wildcats!

🐾 High School Girls Basketball ~ by Mr. Watson ~

The Senior Girls wrapped up their season last weekend with a bronze medal in Cremona at the 2022 Basketball Provincials. While they are disappointed not reaching their goal of the final, they fought hard each and every game losing in the semifinals to the Stirling Lakers by only 3 points. With every season we have to say goodbye to our Grade 12's. This year we have Emily Grouette and Grayce Flemming. Grayce always says how much she tolerates the game of basketball but we all know how much she truly loves it. She always works her hardest on the court, never letting anyone push her around. Emily was our defensive specialist. We always put her on the other team's guard and she shut them down. We are going to miss our Grade 12s in our next season.

A special thanks to all the people that came and supported these Wildcats. Thank you to the boy basketball team plus Mr. Chan Chan who came to cheer us on. A big thanks to Mr. Dimond for driving us and listening to our singing on the bus for the full 3 hours there and back. I am not sure how you can still hear after our whining to go see the puppies or the very loud singing happening behind you. We want to say thank you to our parents always supporting us before, during, and after games. We wouldn't have been able to do any of this without you.

🐾 High School Boys Basketball ~ by Leah Rasmuson ~

The High School Boys basketball team had a season to be proud of! We were tournament champions in 4 out of 5 tournaments that we entered including coming in 1st out of 14 teams in the Quint Tournament that hosted several strong teams from across the province. Our team was ranked as high as #4 in the province and consistently demonstrated that we deserved to have that title with a season record of 18 wins and 4 losses leading up to Zones. The Zone championship was hosted by CACHS in Lacombe and after a win against Eckville in the first round, the boys met a strong team from Consort in the semi-final and came up short by a heartbreaking 3 points. A win in that game would've secured a provincial berth so it was a tough pill to swallow but in true Wildcat fashion, the boys picked themselves up and went on to beat New Norway in the bronze medal match to finish the season. Several members of the team faced setbacks with injuries and illnesses throughout the season and although we would've loved to represent Central Zone at provincials, we learned a lot and know that we will come back even stronger next year. Congratulations to our graduating teammates: Justin Pederson and Connor Holowachuk – we will miss you guys next year!

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