

# The Bulletin



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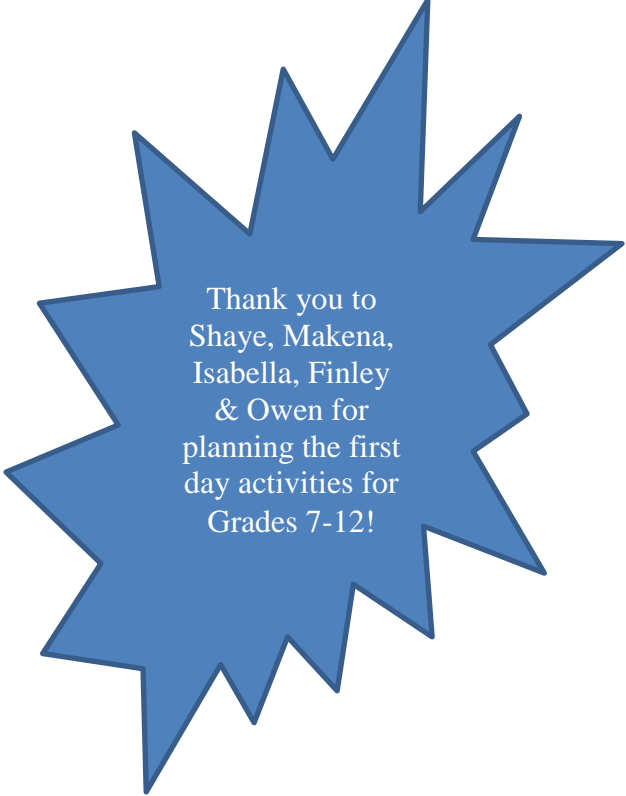
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## ***Upcoming Events:***

<i>Sept 29</i>	<i>Cross Country Race @ New Norway</i>
<i>Sept 29</i>	<i>Orange Shirt Day</i>
<i>Sept 30</i>	<i>Truth &amp; Reconciliation Day – school closed</i>
<i>Sept 30 &amp; Oct 1</i>	<i>HS Volleyball @ OLMP tourney</i>
<i>Oct 4</i>	<i>Panago Pizza hot lunch</i>
<i>Oct 4</i>	<i>HS Volleyball @ New Norway - league</i>
<i>Oct 5</i>	<i>JH Volleyball @ New Norway - league</i>
<i>Oct 6</i>	<i>Cross Country Race @ Camrose</i>
<i>Oct 6</i>	<i>Staff Meeting – dismissal at 2:15 p.m.</i>
<i>Oct 7</i>	<i>JH/HS Academic Awards Night @ 7:00 p.m.</i>
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<i>Oct 10</i>	<i>Thanksgiving Day – school closed</i>
<i>Oct 11</i>	<i>Staff Collaboration Day – school closed</i>
<i>Oct 12</i>	<i>JH Volleyball hosting CCHS - league</i>
<i>Oct 13</i>	<i>HS Volleyball hosting Viking - league</i>
<i>Oct 13</i>	<i>Subway hot lunch</i>
<i>Oct 14 &amp; 15</i>	<i>HS Volleyball @ Morinville tourney</i>
<i>Oct 17-21</i>	<i>Scholastic Book Fair</i>
<i>Oct 18</i>	<i>HS Volleyball @ Hay Lakes - league</i>
<i>Oct 18</i>	<i>Chopped Leaf hot lunch</i>
<i>Oct 19</i>	<i>JH Volleyball @ OLMP - league</i>
<i>Oct 20</i>	<i>Parent Teacher Interviews</i>
<i>Oct 21 &amp; 22</i>	<i>JH Volleyball @ CK tourney</i>
<i>Oct 25</i>	<i>HS Volleyball hosting Daysland - league</i>
<i>Oct 27</i>	<i>Papa John's Pizza hot lunch</i>
<i>Oct 27</i>	<i>HS Volleyball hosting Bashaw - league</i>
<i>Oct 27</i>	<i>Lifetouch picture retakes</i>
<i>Oct 27 &amp; 29</i>	<i>JH Volleyball @ Daysland tourney</i>

*\*\*of course, dates are subject to change\*\**



Thank you to  
Shaye, Makena,  
Isabella, Finley  
& Owen for  
planning the first  
day activities for  
Grades 7-12!



Thank you to Jorja  
and Morgan for  
helping out with  
school pictures on  
Tuesday! You kept  
us all organized!

## Notes From Administration ~ *from Mr. Bartlett*

The start of another school year has come and gone. We are thrilled to welcome both existing and new students to Bawlf School. A special welcome to our 3 international students who have joined us this year from Japan, Spain and Belgium. The student enrollment at Bawlf School has increased slightly from last year with 305 students currently enrolled. The numbers are evenly spread across the grades with the following breakdown: K- 23, Gr. 1- 3= 71, Gr. 4-6= 73, Gr. 7-9= 71, & Gr. 10-12= 67.

We are also excited to have several new staff members joining the school this year. Miss Thea Young is filling in for Mr. Longhurst while he continues to be on leave. Mrs. Janessa Matthew is helping to split the Grade 5 class for part of the day. Mrs. Chantal Johnson is teaching a Grade 1/2 class while Mrs. Donohue continues to be on medical leave. As a staff, we are excited to take on the challenge of making this school year a successful one for your child.

Students were welcomed back with our annual Welcome Back Pancake Breakfast. Thank you to Battle River Implements for the use of their grill and to Nutrien Rosalind (Dallas Barber) for sponsoring this event. It was really nice to bring the tradition back after having to forgo the last couple years. We also held a very successful open house with those in attendance having the opportunity to meet their child's teacher. Mrs. Barber and Mr. Chanasyk led attendees in a PowerSchool information session. We know that it is a busy time of year and appreciate those parents who were able to stop in. Teachers are entering comments and marks in, so please ensure that you have logged in and gotten into PowerSchool. A reminder that email is our primary way of sending out information, so please check your email for information that might have gone to spam, etc.

Our student athletes have been busy with cross country, golf and volleyball. High school golfers competed in the Zone Golf Championships in Camrose. The team, consisting of 4 males and 1 female, endured a cold and wet day on the course, but represented Bawlf School well. Several Grade 4-12 students have taken on the challenge of cross country this year. The team has already competed in two meets this season with a few more yet to come. The high school volleyball teams have had a great start to the season with both winning the Westakwin Challenge Cup this past weekend. The junior high teams have also successfully started league and tournament play and just successfully hosted a tournament on the weekend. Mini slammers have also begun holding practices and will begin game play next week. We have enjoyed strong participation again this year with these programs. Thanks to the parents who continue to support these programs and teams. Also thank you to our Wildcat coaches:

Mr. Chanasyk - Cross Country

Mrs. Barber & Mrs. Matthew- Mini Slammers

Ms. Ortman- Jr. High girls

Mr. Chase Opsal- Jr High boys

Mrs. Gjesdal- Sr High girls

Mr. Munro & Mr. Rasmuson- Sr. High boys

The Bawlf Principal's Advisory Committee, formerly School Council, held its first meeting of the school year this week. Thank you to those who attended, all parents are welcome to attend these meetings. This is a great way to become informed of what is happening at the school as well as provide meaningful feedback to the school on a variety of issues.



## School News

🐾 **Reminder** ~ Every school day, the doors open at 8:20 a.m. Please don't arrive prior to that. There is no supervision for students before this time.



🐾 **Reminder** ~ Please email **both** our Administrative Assistants, as well as your homeroom teacher, if your child is going to be absent, late or if you have any questions. Both of them do not work every day so we don't want to miss any of these emails.

🐾 **Reminder – POWERSCHOOL** – please always be checking your email for school emails from teachers and Admin. If you still need to sign up, here are the instructions. Remember, there will be no printed report cards this year so you need to sign in to PowerSchool to look at your child's marks, comments and attendance.

### PowerSchool Sign Up

1. Go to <https://brsd.powerschool.com/public/home.html>
  2. Click on "Forgot Username or Password".
  3. Your username will be Firstname.Lastname
  4. An email will be sent to the email we have on file.
  5. PowerSchool Mobile app is available for download (free), enter code: NTPH.
- Please contact the school if you have any difficulties.

🐾 **School fees** ~ Fee statements were emailed directly from our Rycor program on Tuesday afternoon. Please check your junk email if you did not receive them, as apparently some went that. Payments can be made online ~ it's easy to set up and use!

🐾 **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!

🐾 **Terry Fox Run** – On Tuesday, September 20th the school participated in the annual Terry Fox Run. Together staff and students raised \$3,055.30 for cancer research. Well done, everyone! Thank you to all community members and parents who helped by pledging a student.

🐾 **Scholastic Book Fair is coming!** ~ *by Mrs. Kroetsch* ~ We are so excited to have the Scholastic Book Fair back in our school! Our Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled to begin on **Monday, October 17th and run until Thursday, October 20th**. Students will be able to visit the Book Fair during their regular library classes or during noon hour. Students will be able to make their wishlists to take home or make their purchases during this time. There will be a special "Parent Night" for parents on Thursday, October 20th from 3:30 - 8:00 pm. We are so excited to once again have parents join in the fun. There will also be an online virtual book fair that students/parents can view books and order online. Please feel free to visit the virtual link with your child at:

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5187832>

(This will be active starting on Monday, October 17th and can be found on the Bawlf School website)

Please feel free to share this link with Grandparents, too! Extended families can participate in the Virtual Book Fair from the comfort of their own home. It's a great time to get some wonderful books for your children to read over the Christmas break.

Books purchased online will be shipped free of charge to Bawlf School where they can be picked up or sent home with students in individual private packages.

Remember, all purchases benefit our school and earn rewards that can be redeemed for books and educational resources for our school library.

Thank you in advance for participating in our Scholastic Book Fair and supporting our library! We look forward to seeing you at our Parent Night on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, from 3:30 - 8:00 pm. Happy Reading!



🐾 **Lifetouch School pictures** ~ Lots of great smiles were brought to school this past Tuesday and were captured by Lifetouch for school pictures. Lifetouch Photography is excited to announce the launch of a new way to access photos online. After much safety and security testing, Lifetouch developed a way for families to access their child's photo using their **student ID number**. Go to their website at [www.mylifetouch.ca](http://www.mylifetouch.ca), click on Student ID and follow the detailed instructions to view and order photos. **If you have any questions on this ordering process, you must call the Lifetouch Customer Care Line at 1.866.457.8212 or access the live chat on our website, [www.mylifetouch.ca](http://www.mylifetouch.ca).** Parents can still access their photos online by using their child's portrait ID and access code. By enabling the option of using your child's student ID number, gives people another way to access photos if they lose their proof sheet.

🐾 **Hero Wall Project ~ by Ms. Young** ~ As a school wide project for Remembrance Day, I would like to start a Hero Wall to be put up in the school for the month of November. If you have any relatives that have served, or are currently serving in the military, and would like to have that person honoured, please send a picture, name and possibly rank if known, how they are related to the student, and the student's name. Any other information you would like to share is also welcome.

Example: Lieutenant Colonel Steven Smith  
Great Grandfather to Jane and John Smith  
Served during WWII

Photos and information can be emailed to [tyoung@brsd.ab.ca](mailto:tyoung@brsd.ab.ca). Any hard copies of photos will be photocopied and returned to the student. Any questions about this project, please do not hesitate to contact me.

🐾 **JH/HS Academic Awards Night** ~ It is soon that time of year again to acknowledge our academic successes in Junior and Senior High AND we are back to celebrating it like we used to: on a Friday night on a long weekend so our previous Grade 12 students can make it home from post secondary and are able to attend! Celebration will be on Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the gym. Those that are receiving awards have been given an invitation. Parents and family members are welcome to attend!



🐾 **After School Swim Program** ~ Unfortunately, we are not able to participate in a fall program of the after school swim program however one is planned for the spring. Registration forms will be sent out at the beginning of February for this session. If anyone has any questions please feel free to contact Tanya Welch at 780-678-7686 or [tanya\\_terway@hotmail.com](mailto:tanya_terway@hotmail.com).

🐾 **High School Students' Union** ~ *by Mrs. Gjesdal* ~ September has been a whirlwind but we have managed to gather a great group of 30 students to create this year's High School Students Union! I'm not sure, but this may be the biggest group we have ever had! So with that being said, we are expecting BIG things to come from the minds of this big group! There is excitement in the air and lots of ideas buzzing around. Hopefully we will be able to bring our dreams to fruition! We will try our best to keep the world updated with our shenanigans through our Instagram page, and if it doesn't get posted, you'll have to ask your lovely child what fun things they have been doing at school. Here's to a great school year!

## BEST

The BEST Foundation AGM was held on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. This year's members are Everly Larson, Corina Thue, Angela Meyer, Samara Schmidt, Leah Thue, Tana Munro and Tanya Welch! We are looking forward to planning some awesome fundraisers this year! Stay tuned for more details!

## Athletics



🐾 **High School Girls Volleyball** ~ by Mrs. Gjesdal ~ Well the volleyball season has started and the Sr. Girls are getting into a groove. We had our first tournament at Augustana right when we started at school. The girls got lots of playing in but lost in a tough semi final against a string team from Vauxhall. We then had a weekend break, then we were off to Wetaskiwin. We were able to get all our girls some good playing time and ended off second in our pool. We made it to the finals against St. Augustine and beat them in two sets. There is still lots of room for improvement and growth throughout this season and we look forward to lots more volleyball!

🐾 **Junior High Volleyball** ~ Both Junior High girls and boys teams have been off to a great start! In the first tournament, the boys finished in a three way tie for third and one point out of the playoffs while the girls finished fifth. In our home tournament last weekend, both girls and boys placed 2nd in their pools and both lost close semi-final games. League action started last week with the girls beating Charlie Killam and the boys losing a super close 3rd set. Excited about seeing how these Wildcats improve!

🐾 **Minislammers Volleyball** ~ by Mrs. Barber ~ After a few years of not having any Minislammer teams, we are excited that we will be back for another year of mini slammers volleyball for Grades 5 and 6 students who are interested.

This is the schedule for the Mini-Slammers games. Hopefully these will not change, but in the event that a game needs to be cancelled (inclement weather, team cancellation), parents will be notified as soon as possible

All home games will end promptly at 5:00 p.m. We will have 4 teams, so 2 teams will play at a time. If, for any reason, your child needs to leave by 4:30, let Mrs. Barber or Mrs. Matthew know ahead of time to make sure they play first.

Oct. 5 - Daysland @ Bawlf

Oct. 13 - Bawlf @ Forestburg (return approximately 5:45)

Oct. 19 - Killam @ Bawlf

Oct. 26 - Viking @ Bawlf

Nov. 2 - Bawlf @ Sedgewick (return approximately 5:45)

Early November - Final tournament hosted by Bawlf during the day (more information will be sent out at a later date). We will also be hosting a concession for this tournament and will be asking for donations as well as volunteers.

🐾 **Cross Country Running** ~ by Mr. Chanasyk ~ Our Cross-Country Running Wildcats have been off to a great start over the hills and through the woods! They have competed in the Hardisty Invitational on September 15<sup>th</sup>, and the Burma Hills Race on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Upcoming are the Spartan Tough on September 29<sup>th</sup> and the Vikings Race on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Congrats to Kate M for setting a new record at the Hardisty Invitational! 2.2 km in 10:31!

Here are the results from the Hardisty Invitational!

Julie S 9:45 (12), Haylee W 10:15 (19), Sloan M 10:31 (21), Natalie W 11:20 (28), Kane D 10:42 (27), Titus H 12:45 (40), Jack R 13:09 (42), Jole P 13:25 (43), Austyn W 13:54 (44), Jakob T-A 13:56 (46), Cooper A 13:58 (47), Breck G 10:55 (31), Cassie W 13:36 (37), Remi T 8:29 (5), Wyatt M 8:32 (6), Kyed T 9:25 (22), Henry E 9:27 (23), Riece W 9:46 (26), Mac M 7:46 (2), Lane B 8:39 (8), Hedda R 11:17 (8), Emrence L 12:08 (16), Kitly T 10:11 (2), Carsen B 11:27 (9), Dylan S 12:00 (14), Madelyn 10:33 (3), Jhett T 9:25 (1), Parker S 11:13 (24), Kate M 10:31 (1), Blayze T 9:36 (5), Chase H 10:54 (15), Colby B 19:20 (10), Shelby H 33:32 (22)! Well done everyone!

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**AND**

**NOW on Instagram!**

**@onthebawlf**