

# The Bulletin



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*Achieving Excellence*

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## *Upcoming Events:*

<i>March 28</i>	<i>Chopped Leaf hot lunch</i>
<i>March 29</i>	<i>Good Friday – school closed</i>
<i>March 30</i>	<i>Travel Club returns from Spain and Portugal</i>
<i>April 1</i>	<i>Easter Monday – school closed</i>
<i>April 2</i>	<i>East Side Marios hot lunch</i>
<i>April 4</i>	<i>Staff Meeting – early dismissal @ 11:47 a.m.</i>
<i>April 5</i>	<i>BEST hot lunch (pre-ordered)</i>
<i>April 5</i>	<i>HSSU going to Oilers game</i>
<i>April 5</i>	<i>Oilers vs Flames Day – wear your jerseys!</i>
<i>April 10</i>	<i>HS Badminton City/County playoffs - Camrose</i>
<i>April 11</i>	<i>Wok Box hot lunch</i>
<i>April 11</i>	<i>Parent-Teacher interviews/Student led conferences</i>
<i>April 15</i>	<i>Professional Learning day – school closed</i>
<i>April 16</i>	<i>Papa Johns Pizza hot lunch</i>
<i>April 17</i>	<i>HS Badminton Areas playoffs - Camrose</i>
<i>April 17-19</i>	<i>HS ski trip</i>
<i>April 18</i>	<i>Grade 4/5/6 Science Fair</i>
<i>April 23</i>	<i>Adam Sandler Day – dress up like him!</i>
<i>April 25</i>	<i>Jump Rope for Heart</i>
<i>April 25</i>	<i>Subway hot lunch</i>
<i>April 26</i>	<i>HS Badminton Zones @ Lacombe</i>
<i>April 26</i>	<i>Spring Dance</i>
<i>April 30</i>	<i>Booster Juice hot lunch</i>

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



## Notes From Administration ~ from Ms. L'Heureux

**Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,**

March certainly came in like a lion. Hopefully, as the week winds down, the worst of winter is behind us.

We are in the final stages of constructing next year's timetable. Before spring break, Ms. Simonson and I visited the classrooms of the Grades 6,7, and 8 students to show them various options that are being considered for next year's timetable and to get input into what options students would most enjoy exploring for the upcoming school year.

In addition, we spent dedicated time with the Grade 9 students reviewing Alberta Education requirements to achieve a high school diploma. We plan to have a Grade 9 orientation night for parents to come, sit in, visit, and assist children with their pre-high school planning. Stay tuned for the date.

**Additional highlights** from the month include:

**\*February 29** ~ Was our first whole school team-building activity. Students have designated cross-grade teams. Each month, the teams will do different activities that allow our older students to be mentors/leaders and build memories with our younger WildCats. February the teams made ice sculptures and in March we played teambuilding games.

**\*March 12<sup>th</sup>** ~ A session by Jo Phillips on the responsible use of social media for both elementary and junior/senior high students. We were pleased to invite New Norway and Ryley schools to join us in that conversation.

\*Parents joined us for the evening session. They also wanted to know how children use social media and how to promote online safety. Thank you to our Bawlf School Council for subsidizing the cost of this event and Chelsea Bergstrom for all her organizing.

**\*March 13<sup>th</sup>** ~ We delighted in a splendid pancake breakfast, where our hungry students savored an abundance of delicious food. A warm thank you goes out to Drever Agencies for sponsoring the hot breakfast and all the volunteers whose dedication brought vibrancy and joy to the morning festivities.

**\*March 13<sup>th</sup>** ~ We enjoyed a whole school pep rally to celebrate our High School Girls's basketball team earning a place in provincials. Gooooo WildCats!

**\*March 15<sup>th</sup>** ~ The grade 4/5s and 5s took a field trip to the Royal Alberta Museum.

**\*March 21<sup>st</sup>** ~ We are delighted to share that our high school students began their travel and are visiting Spain and Portugal.

\*Thank you to Mrs. Barber and Mrs. Matthew for their enormous contribution and time invested into the mini-dunkers program. Students enjoyed themselves in both sportsmanship and competition.

**\*March 26<sup>th</sup>** ~ Thank you to Mrs. Enright and the Students Union for their work with the Whole School Easter egg hunt. Students enjoyed searching for their class eggs and even went home with a treat.

**\*March 28<sup>th</sup>** ~ The elementary school assembly, with the March focus emphasizing self-control.

Finally: A reminder that there is no school on Friday (Good Friday) or on Monday (a day in lieu for Easter.)

As we reflect on the memorable moments of March, I extend my sincerest appreciation to our dedicated staff, supportive parents, and enthusiastic students for making this month a truly remarkable journey of learning and growth. Wishing everyone a restful and joyous Easter break, filled with cherished moments spent with loved ones.

Yours in education,

Ms. April L'Heureux and Ms. Caroline Simonson

## 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.: [eprice@brsd.ab.ca](mailto:eprice@brsd.ab.ca) and [bszott@brsd.ab.ca](mailto:bszott@brsd.ab.ca).

🐾 **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!

🐾 **Spring Dance** ~ *by Mrs. Enright* ~ The HSSU is hosting a Spring Dance on Friday, April 26th. This dance will be open to families from 6-8pm and then will turn into a teen dance from 8-10pm. DJ Services will be provided by Blue Moon DJ Services. Watch for information coming out later this month. If you are interested in volunteering to chaperone the dance, please contact Mrs. Enright via email: [senright@brsd.ab.ca](mailto:senright@brsd.ab.ca).

🐾 **YEARBOOKS! Last month to get your order in!** It's time to order your copy of the 2023-2024 yearbook. Last year, we ran out! Yes, some families didn't receive a copy as they didn't preorder, and the factory didn't ship out as many overruns as previous years. So what this means is: make sure you pre-order! Cost is \$30 each. Your name is not on the list until payment is received (this includes putting them on student online accounts). You can send a cheque (Bawlf School) or cash, or email Mrs. Szott to have her put it online. Don't miss out! Our yearbooks includes every student in the school from Kindergarten to Grade 12.

🐾 **High School Career Counsellor newsletter** ~ [March Newsletter](#)

## PARENT COUNCIL

Thank you to the parents that joined us for the "Starting a Social Media Conversation" Presentation by Joe Phillips. It was an awesome presentation that sparked important conversations. Council continues to offer hot lunch and would like to thank everyone who has volunteered for hot lunch this month. We are grateful for all of your time to make this program a success. Our next meeting will be **April 22<sup>nd</sup>** with a virtual option for those who are unable to make it in person. To keep up with our programs and opportunities to be involved, please follow us on Facebook at Bawlf School Council and sign up on the Remind App (class code @bawlf). As always, feel free to contact us at [bawlschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bawlschoolcouncil@gmail.com).

## BEST

### Little Caesar's

Thank you to everyone who supported our Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser. As a group we raised \$1,614.00 for BEST. The class that won the pizza party is the Grade 1 class selling \$1,170 worth of pizza kits. Sabrina and Savannah Meakins sold the most as a family and received a free pepperoni pizza kit. Thank you to Trudi Duheme, Emily Herder, and Alison Stang for helping sort and deliver pizza kits. Thank you to everyone for your support!

### Wipf's Greenhouse

Thank you so much for all the support for the Wipf's Greenhouse fundraiser! We raised \$2,113 for BEST! We will send out an email when the orders are ready to be picked up from the greenhouse.

### Taco in Bag Lunch

BEST's last hot lunch will take place on Friday, April 5, for those that ordered.

## Athletics



🐾 **Minidunkers Basketball** ~ by Mrs. Barber ~ The Mini Dunkers wrapped up their successful season with their final tournament in Viking just prior to Spring Break. The improvement demonstrated by our athletes was amazing. We had some very close games, including a game between our 2 teams. Great sportsmanship, improved skill and many smiles were noted by the parents and coaches. We look forward to next basketball season!

🐾 **Grade 7 Boys Basketball** ~ by Jaclyn Schacher ~ Special thanks to the team, parents, Coach Ian Tomaszewski, Coach Tyler Nikiforuk & Coach Brook Schacher for their help in a successful 6 week program for boys. They are excited for next season!



**🐾 HS Boys & Girls Basketball** ~ by Leah Rasmuson ~ The High School girls basketball season has come to an end! The girls worked hard throughout February- battling various injuries, being busy with other sports or drama productions, and somehow managing to fit school work in the mix! We finished 3rd of 16 teams at the Quint Tournament at the beginning of Feb and took second place at the Pastor Charlton tournament in Hay Lakes at the end of Feb. We finished first in our league as we headed to Zones in Eckville on March 8/9. We battled hard at Zones and came away with a bronze medal; defeating Daysland in the final match to earn a berth to Provincials. The Cats went into Provincials ranked 6th (our Central Zone was a very tough competitive Zone and the 3 teams we sent to Provincials were ranked 3, 5 and 6). Our first game was against Pincher Creek and after a slightly slow start, we finished strong and came away with a 59-50 win. The win put us in the quarter finals against Hay Lakes later that night and our Wildcats came out strong and controlled the pace of the game from start to finish and ended with a decisive 48-31 win. In the semi final, we came up against a strong #2 ranked team from Olds Koinonia and even though we were only down by 2 at the half, we couldn't hold on and ended up losing by 18. The final game of the season- the bronze medal match, was an intense back and forth game against Hines Creek (a team from way up north that had players from 4 high schools combined to make one team). Although we came up just short with a 2 point loss, our season was still a major success finishing 4th in 1A Girls. We would like to thank all the parents, teachers, students and community members who followed our journey to Provincials and for all the kind words of encouragement and congratulations along the way. We also say goodbye to our graduating players- Jaidan Burnstad, Shelby Hafso and Makenzie Bratrud and wish them good luck in their future endeavors. In addition, congratulations to Devyn Rasmuson for winning the "1A Rookie of the Year" at a Shooting Stars All Star event in Calgary last weekend! Wow! We are very proud of you, Devyn!



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**March Question- What is your favourite Easter activity?**



Shelby, grade 12- Eating food, I love the hashbrown surprise and chocolate



Lane, grade 4- The Easter egg hunt. If I find something I can't eat, I trade it for something better!



Mrs. Szott, A.A.- Family gatherings and going to church.



Emma, grade 1- I really love checking out my basket and the Easter hunt in the house.