

# The Bulletin



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## ***Upcoming Events:***

<i>May 1</i>	<i>Bus Driver, Principal and Assistant Principal Appreciation Day</i>
<i>May 2</i>	<i>Staff meeting – early dismissal @ 11:47 a.m.</i>
<i>May 2</i>	<i>Village Clean up</i>
<i>May 3 &amp; 4</i>	<i>HS Badminton Provincials</i>
<i>May 6</i>	<i>Staff Collaboration day – school closed</i>
<i>May 7</i>	<i>Mad Platter Catering hot lunch (Pre-ordered)</i>
<i>May 7</i>	<i>Class Colour Day – each class will be assigned a colour to wear</i>
<i>May 8</i>	<i>Success Starts Early Kindergarten Orientation</i>
<i>May 15</i>	<i>Grade 4 Waste &amp; Watershed field trip</i>
<i>May 15</i>	<i>HS Track City/County meet</i>
<i>May 16</i>	<i>Panago Pizza hot lunch (Pre-ordered)</i>
<i>May 16</i>	<i>Lifetouch here to do Class Group pictures in afternoon</i>
<i>May 20</i>	<i>Victoria Day – school closed</i>
<i>May 21</i>	<i>Chopped Leaf hot lunch (Pre-ordered)</i>
<i>May 22</i>	<i>HS Track Areas meet</i>
<i>May 22-24</i>	<i>Grade 5 &amp; 6 Ranch Camp</i>
<i>May 24</i>	<i>Class Farewell</i>
<i>May 28</i>	<i>Grade 1/2 &amp; 2 field trip to Reynolds Museum</i>
<i>May 28</i>	<i>JH Track Divisionals</i>
<i>May 29</i>	<i>HS Track Zones</i>
<i>May 30</i>	<i>Grade 7 field trip to Fort Edmonton Park</i>
<i>May 30</i>	<i>East Side Marios hot lunch (Pre-ordered)</i>
<i>May 31</i>	<i>Grade 1 field trip to Miquelon Lake</i>
<i>June 4</i>	<i>JH Track Regionals</i>
<i>June 7</i>	<i>Grade 4 field trip to Fort Edmonton Park</i>
<i>June 10</i>	<i>JH Golf tournament @ Tofield</i>
<i>June 11</i>	<i>Elementary Track Meet</i>
<i>June 13</i>	<i>JH &amp; HS Athletic Awards</i>
<i>June 14</i>	<i>JH to Camrose for lunch and swimming</i>
<i>June 20</i>	<i>Grade 3 field trip to Ukrainian Village</i>
<i>June 20</i>	<i>ECS field trip to Camrose</i>
<i>TBD</i>	<i>Grade 1-4 swimming in Forestburg</i>
<i>June 27</i>	<i>Last day for students/Elementary Awards in AM</i>

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



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

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

As we bid farewell to April, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to all of you for your unwavering support and dedication to our school community. Your enthusiasm and involvement continue to make our school a vibrant and thriving place for our students to learn and grow.

I would like to extend a special thank you to all the parents who generously volunteer their time and energy to support our hot lunch program, volunteer with students, and supervise field trips. Your contributions, big and small, make a significant difference in the lives of our students. A particular shoutout to Trudi for her outstanding dedication to our hot lunch program!

I also want to express my gratitude to Mrs. Enright and the Students Union for organizing a fantastic family and teen dance, which was a tremendous success. Your hard work and commitment to creating memorable experiences for our students are truly appreciated.

In honor of Administrative Professionals Day on April 24th, I want to recognize our incredible office admin assistants, Bev Szott and Emma Price. Their dedication and hard work behind the scenes ensure our school runs smoothly daily. Thank you for all that you do to support our students and staff. Additionally, we will be celebrating our Bawlf School bus drivers on May 7. We are very lucky to have such skilled and caring staff working with our students.

Last month, we had the pleasure of hosting a successful student-led interview/parent-teacher interview night. It was inspiring to see our students take charge of their learning and engage with their parents and teachers in meaningful conversations.

Our April whole-school team activity, Jump Rope for Heart, brought students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 together for a fun skipping event and a refreshing frozen treat. So far, we've raised \$690, and we will continue collecting funds until Friday, May 3rd. Remember, the student who raises the most funds will have the opportunity to be the principal for an hour on Tuesday, May 7th!

Looking ahead, we have some exciting events lined up. Our Village Clean-up Day on Thursday, May 2nd will be a wonderful opportunity for our students to give back to the community while enjoying a sweet treat afterward. Families can also anticipate upcoming field trips as the school year comes to a close, including the Grade 5/6 Ranch Camp from May 22nd to May 24th.

And let's not forget about our Grade 12 Farewell ceremony on May 24th. This event marks an important milestone in the lives of our students, and we want to make it a memorable and meaningful experience for each one of them.

In addition, we have some important orientation events coming up, including a Kindergarten orientation on May 8th and a Grade 10 parent orientation on May 14th. The Grade 7 parent orientation will coincide with our June School Council meeting, providing an opportunity for parents to get involved and stay informed about their child's education in the 2024/2025 school year.

As we enter the final stretch of the school year, I want to thank you once again for your continued support and partnership.

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://bawlfschool.entripyshops.com/>. Hoodies, pants, shorts, hats, water bottles, bags, so many choices and a lot of it is customizable! See the poster attached!

🐾 **BRSD Transportation Information** ~ BRSD Transportation is pleased to announce that bus registration for the 2024/25 school year will open at 9 a.m. on April 17, 2024, and close at 4 p.m. on June 27, 2024.

The change in the registration window will allow for more timely notification of student bus assignments. This change also allows for better communication between schools, families and transportation department staff. Earlier route assignments help bus drivers to be fully prepared for the upcoming school year and adjust to any route changes that may occur.

Students from the City of Camrose and the Town of Tofield must register annually. **For all other locations, students need to register only if this is the first time they have ridden a BRSD school bus, such as new students beginning Kindergarten.**

Additionally, students that have had changes to their contact information, such as physical address or school of attendance, are required to register. If there are no changes to student contact information, rural students will automatically be included in the route plans for the upcoming school year, and there will be no need for them to register.

Applications for school of choice/cross boundary transportation will be available at 9 a.m. on May 1, 2024.

For more details and eligibility information, please visit [www.brsd.ab.ca/families/transportation](http://www.brsd.ab.ca/families/transportation).

🐾 **Rock the Diploma** ~ BRSD is offering a 2-day diploma exam preparation course for our Grade 12 students in June 2024. This intensive weekend course, delivered by the experienced "Rock the Diploma" team, aims to bolster students' readiness for their diploma exams. There need to be at least 20 students in a course to offer it; if you are interested, you should register to show you are interested otherwise the courses may not be offered.

- When: June 2024, specifically on Saturday and Sunday, a week before each diploma exam date.
- Time: 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM on both days.
- Where: Ecole Camrose Composite High School.
- Subjects Covered: Pending student interest. Please register ASAP.
- Cost: \$20.00 per course

If you would like to register please complete the link below.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdyFThkL3R7J-KNCDd-QMgVSjgo4dAXFvqStLOBdOTyZm2Aw/viewform?usp=sharing>



🐾 **Summer School** ~ Summer School registration is open!

Website information:

<https://cos.brsd.ab.ca/programs-services/summer-school>

<https://www.brsd.ab.ca/learning/alternative-learning>

<https://www.brsd.ab.ca/families/registration>

These summer school courses are targeting students in Grades 10-12 who want to upgrade or take a course to create room in their timetables.

I am still looking for teachers- courses are online (Google Classroom or Moodle) and in-person help is available if students want to come in for extra help. Encourage folks to apply and to contact me if they need further information.

Let me know if you have questions.

**Melanie Buckley, BEd, MSc.**

Principal, BRACE

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🐾 **Grade 4 field trips coming up** ~ by Ms. Ortman ~ Grade 4 will be taking part in two field trips this spring. The first one in May is titled "Waste and our Watershed" and students will have the opportunity to learn how waste and waste water is managed in the Camrose area. In June, they will get the chance to see the fur trade in action at Fort Edmonton Park! Information sheets were sent home to parents - please reach out to Miss. Ortman if you did not receive one. Permission slips are to be signed online.

🐾 **Grade 5 & 6 Ranch Camp** ~ by Mrs. Barber ~ The Grade 5 & 6 classes will be going to Ranch Camp from May 22 - 24. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our bottle drive fundraiser and to Amber Latrielle who organized the bottle drive. We successfully raised over \$1100. Ranch Camp information was sent home with students. Permission forms are to be completed online. Go to Rycor (the online account for payments and forms) to complete the permission forms. Please contact Mrs. Barber if you have any questions.



🐾 **Village Clean up** ~ by Ms. Ortman ~ Students will be participating in the Village Clean Up on Thursday, May 2nd (Early Dismissal Day) at 10:25 AM. Classes will go to a specific area within the Village and clean up garbage demonstrating active citizenship and care for our environment. The Grade 4 Class will be providing garbage bags and gloves. Thank you to the Village of Bawlf for providing ice-cream as a reward for all of our hard work!

🐾 **Elementary Track Meet** ~ by Mrs. Konrad ~ Elementary Track Meet for Kindergarten to Grade 6 will be held on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. This will be a full day event outside. Students will participate in track activities such as hurdles and shotput, Indigenous games and teamwork games. All students will need to be prepared for the full day and bring the following items: a water bottle, sunscreen, bug spray, hat, running shoes, and athletic attire. We are in need of some volunteers to lead some groups. If you are interested in leading a group, please email Mrs. Konrad ([nkonrad@brsd.ab.ca](mailto:nkonrad@brsd.ab.ca)) with your name and the grade you wish to be with. We will only need one volunteer for each grade and therefore it will be a first come first serve basis for grade preference. Parents and guardians are allowed to come cheer on their athletes. We look forward to a fun event and seeing you there!

🐾 **Lawn fertilizer, anyone?** ~ A few years ago we had a fundraiser where we sold Lawn Fertilizer bags and yikes, we still have a few left! They are 15 kg each and are the 19-12-15 blend. Cost is \$25 a bag. Call the office if you are interested!

🐾 **YEARBOOKS!** We have to place our final numbers for production on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> so this is the last chance to order a yearbook for this school year if you want one. Please contact the office to place your order. Don't delay as if you don't get your book pre-ordered, you may not get one at all. They are \$30 each, and includes every student in Grades K-12 in them.



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

## PARENT COUNCIL

Thank you to all of the parents that came out to our meeting on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. A continued big thank you to all of the volunteers that continue to make the hot lunch program a success at the school! We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated crew to offer the program so frequently. Our Annual General Meeting will be **June 10<sup>th</sup>**. 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 [bawlfschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:bawlfschoolcouncil@gmail.com).

## Athletics



🐾 **HS Badminton** ~ by *Mrs. Holm* ~ Our high school badminton team consisted of the following athletes.

**Singles** - Kate MacDonald, Bobbi-Jo Lucas, Mattix Reimer, Evan Barber, Hayley Petiot and Erik Buchart

**Doubles** - Alexis Dyck/Addison Weinkauff, Rayna Hafso/Morgan Krause, Gavin Gallon/Scott Dodsworth, Chase Hill/Easton Miller, Claire Dingman/Bailey Severson, Blayze Thue/Carson Huseby, and Makenzie Bratrud/Jaidan Burnstad

**Mixed Doubles** - Darren Sereda/Maira Garcia, Megan Herder/Colby Bendfeld, Koal Masson/Devyn Rasmuson, Madison Dyck/Austin Herder and Shelby Hafso/Dominik Pasychnyk

After competing in both the City/County tournament and the Area tournament we sent Kate, Alexis, Addisyn, Rayna, Morgan, Claire, Bailey Megan, Colby, Hayley, Madison and Austin to Zones in Lacombe. Congratulations to Kate who won Bronze in Junior Girls Singles and to Claire and Bailey who also won Bronze in Intermediate Girls Doubles.

Great work everyone.

🐾 **JH Badminton** ~ by *Mr. Munro* ~ Congratulations to the Bawlf JH Badminton team who placed 2nd overall out of the 15 Junior High Schools in BRSD. Here are the BRSD Regional winners from Bawlf School:

Gr 7

Mac MacDonald/Grady Crawford ---doubles GOLD

Lane Bjorge/Keegon Miller ---- doubles BRONZE

Kynlee Larson/Royce Gerber --- mixed doubles 4th

Gr 8

Ryder Bergstrom ---singles GOLD

Kitly Thue----singles BRONZE

Luke Stang/Riley VanPetten ----doubles BRONZE

Gr 9

Kia Burnstad---singles SILVER

Madelyn Herder --- singles SILVER

Araya Hourie --- singles BRONZE

Owen Harminder --singles 4th

Point Standings Results

ECKS 33 pts

Bawlf 25 pts

Killam 21 pts

Sedgewick 20 pts

Forestburg 15 pts

ECCHS 13 pts

Bashaw 9 pts

Daysland 9 pts

OLMP 7 pts

New Norway 5 pts

Tofield 3 pts

Ryley 3 pts

Round Hill 1 pt

Hay Lakes 0 pts

Viking 0 pt

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**April Question-** You're having a picnic; what are your top three food essentials in your basket?



Wyatt, grade 7-  
"probably a sandwich,  
watermelon, and some  
sort of bread".



Kirstyn, grade 7- "a  
sandwich, water bottle,  
and an orange or  
apple".



Royce, grade 7- "ooh,  
steak, chocolate cake,  
and watermelon".



Lochlynn, grade 7-  
"sandwiches, muffins,  
and some sort of fruit".