

The Bulletin



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Upcoming Events:

Jan 30-31-Feb 1	HS Quint Tournament
Jan 31	Staff Meeting/PD day – school closed
Feb 3	Parent Council Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
Feb 3	JH Bball host New Norway
Feb 4	BEST Ham & Egger lunch – pre-ordered
Feb 4	Minidunkers host Forestburg
Feb 6	Wok Box hot lunch – pre-ordered
Feb 6	HS Bball hosts Daysland
Feb 6-12	Candygrams for sale by HSSU - \$2 each
Feb 7	HS Curling Areas - Wainwright
Feb 7 & 8	HS Bball tourney @ Vermilion
Feb 10	JH Bball hosts OLMP
Feb 11	Elementary dressup in Valentine colours
Feb 11	Panago Pizza hot lunch – pre-ordered
Feb 12	Candygrams delivered
Feb 12	JH & HS: Formal day
Feb 13 & 14	Teachers Convention – school closed
Feb 17	Family Day stat holiday – school closed
Feb 18	HS Bball @ Forestburg
Feb 20	Booster Juice hot lunch – pre-ordered
Feb 20	Minidunkers @ Killam
Feb 21 & 22	HS B Bball tourney @ Ponoka
Feb 21 & 22	HS G Bball tourney @ Hay Lakes
Feb 21 & 22	HS Curling Zones - Ponoka
Feb 25	Subway hot lunch – pre-ordered
Feb 26	Pink Shirt Day
Feb 27	Minidunkers hosts Viking
Feb 27	HS Bball @ Bashaw

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

It's "Order your yearbook" time!

We have to have our order numbers in this year by April 30th, so you need to order your 2024-2025 yearbook before then if you would like one!

Cost is \$30. You can pay cash or cheque or let us know if you want it added to your account to pay online. Our yearbooks included everyone in the whole school, from Kindergarten to Grade 12. They are in colour, soft cover and they are fabulous!

Delivery in in September.

(Just to help everyone out with "have I ordered one yet?" – no one has ordered one yet for this year so don't forget!

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Notes From Administration ~

Dear Wildcat Families,

As we wrap up January, we want to take a moment to acknowledge and celebrate the hard work and dedication of our students. Exam season can be a stressful time, and our students demonstrated resilience and determination while completing their PATs, Diplomas, and other exams. Despite the challenges of rescheduling due to weather and road conditions, they adapted with perseverance, and we couldn't be prouder of them!

In our elementary division, the essential characteristic for this month was honesty. We are incredibly proud of how our students continue to exemplify this important value in their daily interactions. Honesty builds trust and strengthens our school community, and it has been wonderful to see our students embracing and demonstrating this characteristic.

We also successfully completed our Study Blitz. Congratulations to our weekly prize winners:

- Week 3 (Review Course Work): Royce and Zachery – each won a whiteboard and whiteboard markers.
 - Week 4 (Goal Setting): Nia and Brooklyn – each won a desk lamp.
- A huge congratulations to Terry, our grand prize winner of a Chromebook, awarded for participating in all four weeks of the Study Blitz! This initiative showcased our students' commitment to achieving excellence in their studies.

Our elementary students and their families enjoyed a fantastic Literacy Night on Tuesday. The theme was "Outer Space", and the event was a huge success! Families participated in exciting literacy activities led by the Camrose Kodiaks, Rosalind 4-H, and Bawlf

JH students. A special thank you to BEST for their generous donation, as well as Battle River Implements (Camrose), and the Camrose Kodiaks for volunteering their time.

Looking ahead, Semester 2 officially began on Tuesday, January 28th. Any students who wish to add or adjust their courses have until February 7th to do so. Please see Ms. L'Heureux or Mr. Troitsky in the office for any course changes.

As we step into February, we look forward to new learning opportunities, continued excellence, and more moments of celebration within our school community. Thank you for your ongoing support in making Bawlf School a wonderful place to learn and grow while achieving excellence!

Yours in education,

Ms. April L'Heureux



School News

🐾 **Reminder ~ Doors open at 8:20 every morning – please do not arrive before that.** 🐾

🐾 **Reminder** ~ Please email **both** our Administrative Assistants, as well as your homeroom teacher, if your child is going to be absent or late. Both Ms. Price and Mrs. Szott do not work every day so we don't want to miss any of these emails ~ eprice@brsd.ab.ca and bszott@brsd.ab.ca.

🐾 **Literacy Night** ~ *by Mrs. Arndt* ~ Literacy Night was another smashing success! Students enjoyed a hotdog supper before heading into the gym to tour around to various space-themed stations all highlighting literacy. Thank you to BEST for their donation making this night possible. Thank you to the Camrose Kodiaks for sending merch and tickets, as well as a few players to run some of our stations! Thank you to the parents who volunteered to help wrap and serve hotdogs, as well as the student volunteers for running stations as well. Keep on reading, Wildcats!

🐾 **High School Students Union** ~ *by Mrs. Enright* ~ The Students' Union will once again be selling Candygrams for Valentine's Day. Candygrams are \$2/bag and will be on sale over lunch hour February 6-12. They will be delivered on the 12th. Dress up days this month: Tuesday, February 11th: Elementary dress in Valentine's Colors
Wednesday, February 13th: JH/SH Formal Day.
Also, mark your calendars for the Bawlf Family Spring Dance on Friday, April 25th! More details to come!

🐾 School fees invoices were emailed out last week. Keep an eye out on your Rycor account later this month as with the new semester starting, Junior High and High School option fees will be added. Also, CCHS will be adding their 3rd quarter CTS fees to Junior High student accounts later on this month.

🐾 **Career Counselling News** ~ [February Newsletter](#)

Parent Council

A big thank you to all of the volunteers that continue to make the hot lunch program a success! We will be planning our annual Staff Appreciation Lunch on **March 3rd** and will be looking for donations of food items (soup, buns, desserts, donations to purchase items) as well as volunteers to help setup and supervise. This is our opportunity to show all of the staff members how much we appreciate their dedication to our school community! If you are interested in helping, please contact Kerri at 7806797534 or kherder@live.com. Our next meeting will be February 3rd at 7 p.m. at the school. There will be a virtual option as well for those that cannot attend in person that will be sent out on February 3rd from the school. 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.

BEST

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Sweeterie fundraiser through purchasing cards and edible cookie dough. As a group we made \$643.00 for BEST to support our kids in the school. Thank you also to Tania Greenwald, owner of the Sweeterie for working together with BEST to make this a successful fundraiser for the school.

Order forms for the Wipf's Greenhouse fundraiser are due today!

Our next hot lunch will be ham and egggers on February 6th!

NEEDED: BEST (Bawlf Educational Support Team) is running a cash casino in Red Deer, March 16th & 17th. Volunteer shifts run Sunday 1-8 p.m., & Sunday 7:30-2 a.m., & then the same thing on Monday. A cash casino is a great way to raise a lot of money in a short amount of time. Money that is used in so many great ways to support our kiddos at school. If you've never volunteered for one before, don't be intimidated, there is someone who tells us all what to do and it's pretty interesting. You can choose to stay overnight & accommodation is provided as well as meals. If you are interested, please reach out as soon as possible to Corina Thue @ 4036030319. Thank you on behalf of BEST!

Athletics



🐾 Minidunker Basketball ~ by Mrs. Barber ~ Mini Dunkers are excited to start their basketball season! Currently we have 38 players, divided into 2 teams. Their schedule for games and practices:

Practices:

Friday, February 7 - 3:30 - 5:00

Friday, February 28 - 3:30 - 5:00

Monday, March 10 - 3:30 - 5:00

Games:

Tuesday, February 4 - home game against Forestburg

* DATE CHANGE * Wednesday, February 19 - Bawlf @ Killam (should return by 5:00)

Thursday, February 27 - home game against Viking

Wednesday, March 5 - Bawlf @ Sedgewick (Should return by 5:40)

*final tournament week of March 10 - 14 hosted by Viking

🐾 **Junior High Boys Basketball** ~ *by Mr. Troitsky* ~ The Junior High Boys basketball teams are continuing their whirlwind season. It was tricky navigating all the no-bus days, but our teams continue to be flexible and hard working. In January, the "A" boys finished second at the Doug Lyseng tournament in Hay Lakes, then have an upcoming tournament in Daysland. The "B" boys have had some great games since the turn of the calendar, travelling to Millet and then to Round Hill for a tournament. Both teams are continuing to build their skills and develop habits that positively influence program and culture. We are looking forward to a strong February as we wrap up our season.

🐾 **Junior High Girls Basketball** ~ *by Mrs. Matthew* ~ The Jr High Girls have been busy! We had a great time at the Hay Lakes Tournament and enjoyed playing against Bashaw and the Camrose Composite. We've had to reschedule some games and tournaments due to weather, but we are thankful that everyone is safe. We are ending the month by watching a Viking Game on Saturday, a home game Monday and our rescheduled game at Hay Lakes on Tuesday. Thank you to everyone who came and cheered us on! It was amazing to have the Augustana Girls Viking team come and talk to our girls in grades 6-9 about academics and sports. The Vikings shared their experience playing at the university level, balancing academics and sport and more. We hope that the girls found the meeting both inspiring and educational. Thank you for all the support from our parents, staff and a special shout-out to Coach Doug. We are looking forward to the rest of our season!

🐾 **High School Basketball** ~ *by Ms. Marusak* ~ The Sr High Quint tournament runs from January 30th to February 1st. This is a massive tournament played in five other gyms and both our Sr boys and girls teams are entered as well as Bawlf gym being one of the host schools for games. Stop by to watch some great basketball and get some homemade items from our wonderful concession!

🐾 **High School Curling** ~ *by Mrs. Enright* ~ Bawlf School has partnered with CCHS to send one ladies team and one men's team to High School curling Areas in Wainwright on February 7th. Teams will then move onto Zones in Ponoka on February 21/22nd.

Community

The Bawlf Recreation Association is accepting funding requests to provide recreation opportunities on a local basis. Requests are due no later than Wednesday, February 5 and must be submitted to bawlf.rec.treasurer@gmail.com and will be discussed at their meeting on February 6th.