# The Bulletin



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#### **Upcoming Events:**

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Feb 27	Minidunkers host Viking
Feb 27	JH Girls basketball Divisionals @ OLMP
Feb 27	HS basketball @ Bashaw
Feb 28-March 1	JH Boys bball Regionals @ CCHS
March 5	Minidunkers @ Sedgewick
March 6	East Side Marios hot lunch – pre-ordered
March 7	Staff Meeting/PD day – no school
March 7	Grade 12 Cap and Gown pictures
March 7 & 8	HS Boys bball tourney @ Kitscoty
March 10	JH ski trip to Rabbit Hill
March 11	Papa John's hot lunch – pre-ordered
March 12	Minidunkers final tournament @ Viking
March 13	Anything but a Backpack Dress-up day
March 14 & 15	HS Basketball Zones – locations TBD
March 18	Spaghetti lunch (pre-ordered) for Ranch Camp
March 20	Chopped Leaf hot lunch – pre-ordered
March 21 & 22	HS Basketball Provincials
March 24-28	Spring break – no school
March 31	School resumes

\*\*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 30<sup>th</sup>, 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.



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# **Notes From Administration ~**

Frigid February is coming to an end and it feels like spring is finally on its way!

Junior and senior high school students are now well into their Semester 2 learning. That means new options and new opportunities for learning. We are excited to offer a wide range of courses from textiles to mechanics, and outdoor ed to book club!

Elementary students are continuing to develop character through monthly assembly. In February, we focused on kindness and the ripple effect that it has. A big shout-out goes to our Grade 3 class that did a special presentation and created a viewboard to help spread kindness!

#### Parent Council ~

On February 3rd we had a School Council meeting. Our parents work collaboratively with the staff and ensure we are doing all we can to support student learning together. We are excited and appreciative for the upcoming staff appreciation lunch, planned by our School Council, for the March 7<sup>th</sup> Collaboration day.

#### Skating ~

Elementary skating was a big success from the month of February. Many classes were able to enjoy the rink on the days that the sun was shining. Thanks to the Bawlf Rec Board for getting the ice in and keeping it up all season.

#### Grade 9 Field Trip ~

On Wednesday, February 26th, Grade 9 students travelled to the Daysland Palace Theatre to watch a documentary, called Pass System. A film highlighting Cree, Saulteaux, Dene, Ojibwe and Blackfoot Elders and their stories of living under and resisting the pass system, revealing a little known picture of life under segregation in Canada. The film connects to many Grade 9 social studies learning objectives.

#### Whole School Activity ~

On Thursday, February 27th, students enjoyed our whole school activity. Students in mixed groups from K-12 worked together to complete 9 different challenges around the school. This was a great opportunity for our older students to be able to showcase their leadership and kindness, as they helped our younger students navigate the school and the tricky tasks.

Yours in education,

Ms. L'Heureux and Mr. Troitsky

# **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 ~ <u>eprice@brsd.ab.ca</u> and <u>bszott@brsd.ab.ca</u>.

\* High School Students Union ~ by Mrs. Enright ~ We are busy planning our Spring Dance which is coming up on Friday, April  $25^{th}$  from 6:00-10:00 p.m.! Also, our next theme day is on Thursday, March  $13^{th}$  where it is: Anything but a Backpack dress up day! Let your imaginations fly!

**Sumior High Ski Trip** ~ *by Ms. Marusak* ~ Grades 7, 8 & 9 will be going on the annual ski trip on March 10th. This year students will be going to Rabbit Hill Ski Resort in Edmonton. Please check your emails for more information and deadlines. All fees can be paid online on Rycor after Feb 25th. Thank you to BEST for sponsoring our transportation again this year!

**We are learning how to knit, crochet, sew and other various textile type things.** With that being said, if anyone happens to have a craft room full of things that they don't plan on using... feel free to send it to school! We would love to have some more yarn for some projects or fabric or things of that nature. If you think you have some items that you could donate, let me (Mrs. Gjesdal) know! You can email me at egjesdal@brsd.ab.ca. Thank you!

**Career Counselling News** ~ <u>March Newsletter</u>

# **Parent Council**

On February 26<sup>th</sup>, Council partnered with the Camrose Family Resource Centre to provide a presentation on screen time to parents. Thank you to Jolene for providing such a great presentation. If any parents have additional questions or would like more information - please reach out to Jolene at **j.doig@camrosefrc.com**. A continued thank you to all of the volunteers who work to make hot lunch a success within our school - we appreciate you! March 7<sup>th</sup> (**date change**) we will be doing our annual Staff Appreciation Lunch. If you would like to donate food or items for the lunch, please reach out to Kerri at <u>kherder@live.com</u>. This is our chance to show our beloved staff how much we value them! Our next meeting will be April 7<sup>th</sup> at the school. For those who cannot attend in person, there will be a virtual link sent out. 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 @bawlfs). As always, feel free to contact us at <u>bawlfschoolcouncil@gmail.com</u>.

#### BEST

Thank you to everyone who helped prepare our Ham and Egger Lunch-Tanya Welch, Lindy Kroetsch, Dimphy Benusic, Pam Knudson, RayAnne Paulson and Elissa Hellekson. Also thank you to those who made donations: Emma Gjesdal, Julie Huseby, Tanya Welch, Andrea Cunningham, Jessika Moore, Samara Schmidt, Leanne Bjorndalen, Shannon Barber, Karla Wolbeck, Chelsea Bergstrom, and Nichole Krause.

Thanks to everyone who ordered flowers through Wipf's Greenhouse. We were able to raise \$1,356!

# A reminder that BEST is scheduled to work a casino on March 16 & 17 at the Cash Casino in Red Deer! We are still looking for a few volunteers to work a shift on March 17.

The funds raised by volunteering at the casino pay for field trips, busing and other educational activities for Bawlf School students. If we are unable to fulfill our commitment to cover these 2 days, we will lose 3 years' worth of field trip funding and forfeit the ability to participate in the future. The last casino brought in over \$18,000, which was divided up over the last 3 school years, funding opportunities for students in all divisions of our school.

To sign up to volunteer, please contact Corina Thue at (403) 603-0319. Volunteers can order a free meal at the casino and we can book you a hotel room if needed. (Please let Corina know if you need a room when signing up!)

Thank you for your support!

# **Athletics**



Minidunker Basketball ~ by Mrs. Barber ~ The cold weather interrupted our mini dunker season, but we still have a few upcoming games and our final tournament. The following are the dates for the remainder of our season:
Game - Thursday, February 27 - home game against Viking
Practice - Friday, February 28 - 3:30 - 5:00
Game - Wednesday, March 5 - Bawlf @ Sedgewick (Should return by 5:40)
Practice - Monday, March 10 - 3:30 - 5:00
Final Tournament in Viking - Wednesday, March 12
Also, please see attached an order form for our Spaghetti lunch we are having on March 18<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for Ranch Camp!

**Solution High Boys Basketball** ~ *by Mr. Troitsky* ~ Junior High boys basketball teams are racing to the finish line! The "A" boys are challenging for a spot in the Regional tournament on Feb 28/Mar 1 after a very strong season. In February, they were able to capture another tournament championship at Daysland. The Junior "B" boys went to two tournaments in 2025 and played excellent basketball, continuing to show that the future of basketball at Bawlf School is very bright. We appreciate all the support from the community and look forward to a strong finish to the season.

Sunior High Girls Basketball ~ *by Mrs. Matthew* ~ The JH Girls Basketball season is wrapping up! Despite many games and practices being canceled due to the cold weather, we had a fantastic last home game on Monday with the whole team present for the final league match. This week, we are looking forward to the Divisional Playoffs, and hopefully, the Regional Tournament on Friday and Saturday. It has been such a pleasure and honor to coach our girls' team. Each girl has improved with every practice and game, bringing something unique and valuable to our team. I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents and guardians for your support and flexibility with the ever-changing schedule. A special shout-out goes to those who helped at practices! Also, thank you to Coach Doug for sharing your expertise with us. I hope our girls continue to pursue basketball for many years to come!

**Which School Basketball** ~ *by Ms. Marusak* ~ Although we are not quite finished league play yet, it's looking good that our Girls will finish first in their league, which means we will be the host school for Zones on March 14th and 15th \* knock on wood\*. The Boys also look like they will finish third in their league and will head down west for their Zone tournament. Both teams have made significant improvements and have had much success recently. The Girls achieved 1st in the Pastor Charlton tournament and the Boys recently won third in a tough tournament down in Ponoka where they faced off among 2A and even some 4A JV teams. Final rankings are out as well and our Girls are ranked 3rd in the province among other 1A schools and our Boys are honourable mention again! Well done, everyone!

High School Curling ~ by Mrs. Enright ~ Our high school curling team practiced out of the Camrose Curling Club with other curlers from Camrose and area. We met Wednesdays after school for practice and participated in a Thursday mixed league for game play. Our high school teams participated in a bonspiel in Wetaskiwin and Areas in Wainwright. Bawlf and CCHS entered a ladies team in HS Zones which took place in Ponoka February 20-21. We ended up third in our pool and narrowly missed the playoffs. Thanks to everyone for a great season.

### **Community**

**2025** Bawlf Baseball and Softball Registration ~ Bawlf Recreation Association is accepting registration for this spring season. Please see attached form in the attachments! Any questions, please call/text Barry Cryderman at 780-608-0150. Deadline to register is March 21<sup>st</sup>. \*\*\*Please note: Even though the form says March 21st as the date to return forms by, they are asking to please hand in forms as soon as possible. There are kids from Round Hill and Daysland asking for spots\*\*\*

**Youth Recreation Soccer League in Rosalind** ~ For kids aged 4-12, there is a 6 week season, running every Wednesday from 6:30-7:30 starting May 7<sup>th</sup> in Rosalind (weather permitting). Cost is \$10 per child. Please see attached form in the attachments! Any questions, call/text Kylie Cryderman at 780-678-5739. Deadline to register is April  $3^{rd}$ .