



THE PAW PRINT

R.I. BAKER SCHOOL



MARCH 2025 NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the month of March! As we step into a new month, I want to take a moment to reflect on February. It was an exciting month here at school, filled with lots of authentic learning experiences and meaningful celebrations. From classroom projects to community events, our students have been engaged and growing in ways that are truly inspiring.

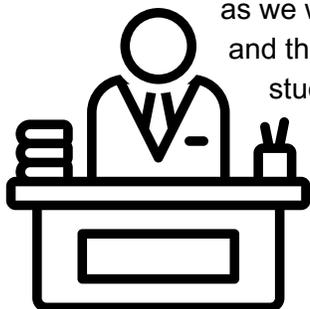
However, as we move forward, I also want to bring to your attention some growing concerns regarding online activity. We've noticed an increase in issues stemming from social media platforms and online interactions outside of school. Unfortunately, these online spaces can sometimes become places where negative drama and conflict begin, affecting our students both in and out of the classroom.

With this in mind, I encourage all parents to continue monitoring their children's social media accounts and to have honest conversations about the responsible use of technology. Our goal is to work together to ensure that our students are using these platforms in a positive and constructive way, both for their own well-being and for the overall harmony of our school community.

Lastly, please visit Edsby and book your child's parent/teacher conference. Time slots always fill up fast and please let the office know if you have any complications.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we work to create a safe, nurturing, and thriving environment for our students.

Mr. Prebs



IMPORTANT DATES

March 6 - Subway Breakfast

March 7 - PD DAY
NO SCHOOL

March 10 - Safeway Hot Lunch

March 11 - Parent Council Meeting
@ 6:30 PM

March 12 & 13 - Parent/Teacher
Interviews from 4- 7 PM

March 14 - Dress Like A Staff Member Day

March 17 - Guest Speaker: Kwesi Millington
Parents are welcome to attend

March 20 - Rock Your Socks Day

March 21 - PD Day
NO SCHOOL

March 28 - Kona Ice at the school

April 8 - Spring Pictures

April 12 - Coaldale Family Fun Run

April 14 - 17 New West Theatre Program

April 18 - 25 - NO SCHOOL
Easter Break



BACK TO SCHOOL REMINDERS!

SCHOOL FEES

Fees are now due. Please access your School Cash Online account to see what your students' fees are for the year, purchase hot lunch, complete certain permission forms, etc.



If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact our office. There are payment options that can be discussed, but only if we are made aware of the situation.

<https://palliserschooldivision.schoolcashionline.com/>

Edsby is RI Baker's program used to report GRADES and ATTENDANCE to parents.



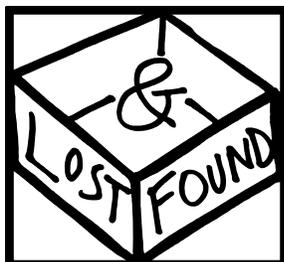
Invitations for Edsby have been emailed. Thank you to all the Parents that have already set up their accounts! If prompted when signing up, the School Code is Pallisersd

Please call our office at 403-345-3340 or email glenda.kurtz@pallisersd.ab.ca if you are having difficulties setting up your account.

****TIP: : Downloading the Edsby App and allowing notifications from Edsby helps us notify you quickly if your child is absent!**

LOST AND FOUND

Our Lost and Found is located inside our Main Entrance. Please remind your students to look inside the benches if they are missing something! Hoodies, jackets, lunch kits, water bottles, binders, etc. Thank you.



BUSSING UPDATE

This year Palliser transportation **NO LONGER** has room for RIDE ALONGS. Please make alternate arrangements for your child & friend to get home, as bussing can not accommodate extra students.



FRIDAY SNACKS

Parents/Guardians, please ensure your student has enough snacks/food on Friday's. As we do not have lunch because it is a short day, students are often hungry. They are permitted to eat during the recess break.

PLEASE send a utensil to school for your child, we do not have them in the office.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE SCHOOL

R.I. BAKER CLUBS

| What Club? | Who With? | When? |
|---|-------------------------------|---|
|  Art Club (room 201) | Mrs. Macklin | Wednesdays from 3:33 - 4:30 pm Grade 4 in room 203 Mr. Ginther's room Grade 5 & 6 in Ms. Macklin's Room |
|  Baking Club Grade 6 only, room 201 | Mrs. Macklin | Fridays from 12:30 - 2:00 pm |
|  Choir | Mrs. Conrad & Mrs. Pilling | Thursday's at lunch recess in the music room. |
|  E-Sports | Mr. Patey | Monday - Spirit Bears Tuesday - Polar Bears Wednesday - Grizzly Bears Thursday - Kodiak Bears Lunch recess in the E-Sports room 113 |
| Student Leadership Club (SLC) (Grade 6 only, room 202) | Ms. Giesbrecht | Tuesdays from 11:35-12:20, bring your lunch! |

NEWS FROM THE LEARNING COMMONS

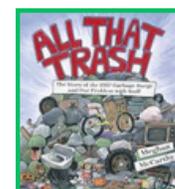
Hello from the Learning Commons,

March brings us many things to celebrate. March 8th is International Women's Day, March 13th is Pi Day, and March 18th is Global Recycling Day.

We will be learning/reading about the following:

- Amelia Earhart
- Jennifer Jones
- Sanitation worker Nelson Molina
- 1987 Garbage Barge

Thank you for your continued support in your child's literacy.



Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body- Richard Steele

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On Ordering A YEARBOOK

Yearbooks are \$35, and can be purchased through School Cash. The deadline is May 31st. No late orders will be accepted.



MARCH 17 GUEST SPEAKER

Kwesi Millington is a former RCMP officer who has struggled both personally and professionally. He speaks from the heart and will be touching on topics such as inclusion, kindness, and diversity. Parents are also welcome to attend on March 17th at 9:00am-10:00am in the gymnasium.



RI BAKER ATHLETICS

Our Grade 5 and 6 athletes are currently underway in their Basketball season, with tournaments happening on January 24th and March 17th!

Badminton will be starting mid-February for grade 6s, and March for Grade 4-5s.

Grade 6 Badminton schedule has been posted to the Athletics Page on the website!



MARCH 20

**CELEBRATE DIVERSITY
ROCK YOUR
SOCKS**

wear your most colourful, mismatched and unique socks to celebrate **WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY**



COMMUNITY NEWS

Coaldale Figure Skating Club Presents:

Cheers to 50 years

March 29th at 1:00pm (doors open at 12:30)
Admission: \$5, children under 5 are free
Programs (\$5), Roses (\$2/rose),
50/50 tickets
10/\$5 and Raffle Tickets (3/\$5)
available for purchase.
This is a CASH

COMMUNITY NEWS

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL 5K

FAMILY FUN RUN COALDALE * 2025

PRESENTED BY COALDALE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

APRIL 12, 2025 10AM























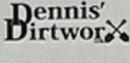




















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COMMUNITY NEWS



Youth & Family Bonspiel



Saturday, March 15
\$100/Team

***Skip must be under 17**

Join us for a fun day of curling!

Single players accepted! (\$25)

3, 4 end games guaranteed!

Raffles, prizes and a meal included!



sign up here
by March 10



For questions or to register a team
call or text
Deana @ 306-209-6329
Vicki @ 403-894-2823
teams can also register by scanning
the QR Code or by going to
<https://coaldale.curling.io/en/pages/1588-home>

COMMUNITY NEWS



2025 Tryout Dates

U11 Boys (2014/2015)

March 17 and March 19 5:00-6:30 @ Kate Andrews

U11 Girls (2014/2015)

March 18 and March 20 5:00-6:30 @ Kate Andrews

U13 Boys (2012/2013)

March 17 and March 19 6:30-8:00 @ Kate Andrews

U13 Girls (2012/2013)

March 18 and March 20 6:30-8:00 @ Kate Andrews

U15 Girls (2010/2011) and U17 Girls (2008/2009)

March 25 and March 27 5:00-7:00 @ Kate Andrews

U15 Boys (2010/2011)

March 24 and 26 5:00-7:00 @ Kate Andrews

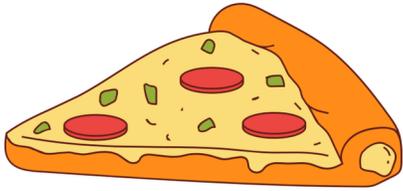
U17 Boys (2008/2009) and U18 Boys(2007)

March 24 and 27 7:00-9:00 @Kate Andrews

BAKER BEARS TUCK SHOP



LOONIE MENU



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MINI OLD DUTCH

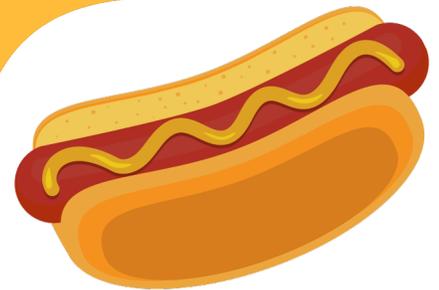
HOT ROD

ICE CREAM SANDWICH

GRANOLA BAR

BOTTLED WATER

JUICE BOX



TOONIE MENU

CHEETO'S

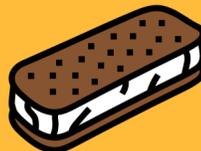
DORITOS

MENTOS

STARBURST/HI-CHEW

CHOCOLATE MILK

SPARKLING ICE



\$3.00 MENU

CHEESE PIZZA SLICE

HOT DOG

TAQUITO





March



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--|--|--|--|---|----------|
| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Grade 6 Badminton @ Wilson | 7  PD DAY NO SCHOOL | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11  Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 PM | 12  Parent/Teacher Interviews 4 - 7 p.m. | 13  Parent/Teacher Interviews 4 - 7 p.m. | 14  Dress Like a Staff Member Day | 15 |
| 16 | 17  Guest Speaker Kwesi Millington 9 - 10 AM | 18 | 18 | 20  "Rock Your Socks" for World Down Syndrome Day | 21  PD DAY NO SCHOOL | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28  KONA ICE 12:30 - 1:30 pm | 29 |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |



April



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--|---|---|---|--|---|
| | | 1 |  2 Wear Bright Colours for World Autism Day | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 |  7 |  8 Spring Picture Day | 9 | 10 | 11 |  12 Coaldale Family Fun Run |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |  18 Easter Break NO SCHOOL | 19 |
| 20 |  21 |  22 |  23 |  24 |  25 | 26 |
| 27 |  28 | 29 | 30 | | | |