

# THE PAW PRINT R.I. BAKER SCHOOL

#### **MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER**

#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear R.I. Baker Families.

As we move into the month of May, we are all enjoying the longer days and the warmer weather. With the shift in seasons, we kindly remind students to continue dressing appropriately for the school day. While the temperatures are rising, it's important to ensure that clothing is still suitable for both indoor learning and outdoor activities, especially with the unpredictable Alberta spring weather. Layers are always a great option to help students stay comfortable throughout the day.

Lately, we have also noticed an increase in small disagreements during recess and on the playground. As excitement builds with the arrival of spring, we want to remind all students of the importance of kindness, respect, and patience with one another. At R.I. Baker, we continue to reinforce positive peer interactions and encourage students to practice empathy and problem-solving skills when challenges arise. Working together, we can maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all.

Finally, we encourage families to stay connected by checking Edsby regularly. Important news updates, learning feedback from teachers, and upcoming events are posted there to help keep everyone informed and engaged. You can also expect communication from your child's teachers regarding upcoming field trips and year-end activities, so please keep an eye out for those details. As we move toward the end of the school year, your partnership in staying up-to-date is more important than ever. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school community!

Sincerely, Brett Clifton Vice Principal



May 7 - Hats on for Mental Health

May 8 - Grade 6 Track Meet @ the U of L

May 7 - Subway Breakfast

May 12 - KFC Hot Lunch

May 16 - PD DAY

May 19 - Holiday

May 23 - Crazy Hair Day

May 27 - LSAA Track at U of L

May 28 - Grade 6 LAT PAT Part A

May 30th - Grade 6 County of Lethbridge Science Presentation

June 2 - Grade 6 Field Trip

June 12 - Grade 6 LA PAT Part B

June 13 - Grade 6 Math PAT Part A

June 16 - Grade 4 Field Trip

June 17 - Grade 6 Math PAT Part B

June 20 - Indigenous Peoples Day

June 23 - Raymond Pool For ALL Students

June 24 - Summer Splash

June 25 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



#### **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.schoolcashonline.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 <u>glenda.kurtz@pallisersd.ab.ca</u> 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 (Art Room)	Ms. Macklin	Finished in April - see you next year!		
Baking Club ade 6 only, foods room	Ms. Macklin	Fridays, 12:30 - 2:00 pm (Last day June 6th) (Some alternate dates and times; see permission form or schedule posted outside the foods room)		
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!		
The Finer Things Club (Crochet, Embroidery, Gardening, Reading)	Mrs. Goertzen & Ms. Macklin	Tuesdays at lunch recess Thursdays from 3:33-4:30		

#### NEWS FROM THE LEARNING COMMONS

Hello from the Learning Commons,

This month, we are learning about community gardens—an excellent way to connect with nature and neighbors while growing something together.

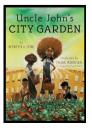
May 18th is International Museum Day, so we will be learning about the Royal Tyrrell Museum. This is a perfect opportunity to explore and appreciate the rich cultural experiences museums have to offer.

Don't forget to return any overdue or lost library books to help keep our collection complete and accessible to everyone.

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.



#### RI BAKER ATHLETICS

Our Grade 6 Badminton athletes worked hard at the LSAA tournament on April 9th, but our season ended in the quarter finals. Great job Bears!

Track Club has started for Grade 5s and 6s and will run April 16, April 30, and May 7.







The Grade 6s will be joining Prairie Winds at their Track and Field Meet on Thursday, May 8th, while the grade 4/5s will stay back at Baker for Mini Olympics! If you would like to volunteer for either, please let the office know!



A huge Thanks to all those who have helped us coach so far this year! We couldn't do it without you!

#### Community Clean Up

RI Baker staff and students took part in a community clean up and were able to remove 377 lbs. of trash throughout Coaldale.







#### Harmony in Hues Art Gala

The Harmony in Hues Art Gala is on display until May 26th, 2025 at the Coaldale Public Library. There were participants from Kindergarten to Grade 12. Thank you to those students from RI Baker that participated. What a wonderful opportunity to showcase our young artists.





# BAKER BEARS TUCK SHOP





# LOONIE MENU

MINI PRINGLES
MINI OLD DUTCH
HOT ROD
ICE CREAM SANDWICH
GRANOLA BAR
BOTTLED WATER
JUICE BOX



CHEETO'S
DORITOS
MENTOS
STARBURST/HI-CHEW
CHOCOLATE MILK
SPARKLING ICE







## \$3.00 MENU

CHEESE PIZZA SLICE
HOT DOG
TAQUITO



#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**





The Coaldale Spartans Football Club is hosting their

Annual Spring Training Camp.

This is a great opportunity for new players to try out the sport. If you have already played, BRING A FRIEND WITH YOU to try it!

WHEN: Saturd

Saturday May 24, 2025, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

WHERE:

Kate Andrews-South Field

COCT.

Free & a free lunch is also provided

WHAT TO BRING: Water Bottle, Cleats (some are available to borrow if needed) and mouth guard



ATOM 8-10 yrs

PEEWEE 11-12 yrs BANTAM 13-14 yrs

Follow our Facebook page to stay up to date: Spartans Football-Coaldale

Call or text Alana Wheeler to register: 403 634 9953

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	Hats On for Mental Health	Grade 6 Track Meet Grade 4/5 Mini Olympics	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	PD DAY NO SCHOOL	17
18	NO SCHOOL	20	21	22	23 Crazy Hair Day	24
25	26	27	Grade 6	29	30 Kona Ice 12:30 - 1:30	31





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Grade 6 Field Trip TRIP DAY	3	Pajama Day	5	Dress Your Worst Day	7
8	Grade 4 Field Trip TRIP DAY	10	F	Grade 6 LA PAT	Grade 6 MATH PAT	14
15	16	Grade 6 MATH PAT	18 Tropical Day	Anything 19 But A Backpack	20 Kona Ice 12:30 - 1:30 Indigenous Peoples Day	21
22	Raymond Pool	Summer Splash	LHST DAY	26	27	28
29	30					