



Bison Bits *Buffalo Head Prairie School*

Bison Bits is published the first and third Tuesday each month to inform parents about school events and provide important information.

Upcoming Event

Wednesday, June 19

ECS Graduation
T/T (AM)
W/F (PM)

Grade 6 Social Studies PAT
Grade 9 Social Studies PAT

Thursday, June 20

Grade 9 Science PAT

Friday, June 21

Last Day for K-9 Students
Awards/Picnic Day
Report Cards Sent Home

Tuesday, September 3

Students Return to School!

Parent Feedback Meeting Thursday, June 20 at 7:00pm

It is hard to believe that Buffalo Head Prairie School is projected to be approaching 300 students to begin the 2024-25 school year. With continued school growth comes challenges as well as exciting opportunities.

It is important to Mr. Fehr to hear from BHPS parents regarding thoughts on the challenges and opportunities that exist as a result of school growth.

Please consider coming out for a cup of coffee and a conversation. Mr. Fehr is interested in hearing from you...both the good and the bad...so plans can be made to ensure a positive and successful 2024-25 school year.

Picnic Day Schedule

Following is the agenda for Picnic Day, Friday, June 21st:

8:45am—Students in Classrooms

11:00am—Awards Assembly in Gymnasium. Parents Welcome!

Parents, please pick up report cards between the conclusion of the awards ceremony and 1:00pm

12:15- Picnic Lunch

1:00pm— A Variety of Games have been Organized for Students

All students participating in the water fight are asked to bring a towel and change of clothes. We encourage these students to bring a small container, not water guns. No containers will be provided. Water fight schedule:

- Grade 1-2 – 1:00-1:15
- Grade 3-4 – 1:15-1:30
- Grade 5-6 – 1:30-1:45
- Grade 7-9 – 1:45-2:00

2:15pm— School Yard Clean Up and Prepare to go Home

2:50pm— Board Buses, Prepare for Home

We welcome all parents and look forward to spending time together as a school community during picnic day!

Awards/Picnic Day 2024

What a great time we will all have on the final day of school, June 21. Parents, please join us as we celebrate the conclusion of an excellent school year with an Awards/Picnic Day. The school council will be providing hot dogs and all the fixings for lunch. We are asking that families with the last name starting with

**A—M bring a dessert
N—Z bring a salad**

Motorized Chair: A Community Opportunity

A special student at Buffalo Head Prairie School, Caleb Teichroeb, will be entering grade 7 next school year.

As he gets older, it will be important for Caleb to develop greater independence and the ability to transport himself around the junior high wing each day.

To support his mobility, we will be doing our best to help Caleb and family with the purchase of a motorized wheelchair through a variety of fundraising activities. We are also reaching out to organizations that may help us with funding. This chair will cost \$22,000 and will support Caleb for throughout his lifetime.

In the winter, close to \$5000 was raised at a Barons hockey game to support this cause. At that time, some parents that could not be at the game expressed their interest in donating to Caleb's chair as well.

For this reason, a donation box will be set up in the main office at BHPS in case parents wish to donate to this cause. We thank you in advance for any support you provide as we strive to help Caleb with his mobility, which will be a lifelong support to him.

It is sometimes said that it takes a community to raise a child. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity as we try to make independence and mobility a reality for Caleb Teichroeb.



**Library Final Note
–From Mrs. Janzen**

Thank you to everyone who helped out in the library this year, especially with laminating so many books. I appreciate it! Make your summer better, read a book!

Lost & Found

A reminder to check the Lost & Found table. Any items left after Picnic Day will be taken to La Crete Care & Share.

School Rentals–Summer Break

Summer rentals will only be available in August after the school is cleaned during the month of July. **All rentals will need to be finalized and paid for by Thursday, June 20.**

BHPS New Pole Shelter

Students have been completing hands-on work with Mr. Larry Goertzen to construct a pole shelter on the south side of BHPS. This pole shelter was considered and planned with support from school council. Both the school and community will benefit from this shelter, which we hope to have ready for community use during picnic day, June 21. Appreciation to all that helped in the completion of this project!

2024-25 BHPS Staff List

Mr. Benny Dick– Custodian
Mrs. BettyAnn Dick– Custodian
Mrs. Rosanne Paul– Student Support
Mrs. Lana Halladay– Student Support
Mrs. Jasmine Zacharias– Student Support
Miss Susie Dyck– Student Support
Mrs. Angie Wolfe– Student Support
Mrs. Katharine Neudorf– Student Support
Mrs. Martha Harms- Student Support
Mrs. Kathy Janzen– Librarian
Miss Margaret Wiebe– Secretary
Mrs. Yumiko Hache- Casual Secretary
Mrs. Robyn Carey- ECS
Ms. Kari Dalke– Grade 1
Mrs. Karen Keefe– Grade 1
Mrs. Rachel Magalona– Grade 2
Mrs. Cathy Wiseman– Grade 2
Mrs. Raelene Peters– Grade 3
Mrs. Shannon Peters– Grade 3/Assistant Principal
Mr. Aaron Diver– Grade 4
Mr. Jonathan Hache– Grade 5
Mr. John Acreman– Grade 6/ Numeracy Coach
Mr. Trent Kenyon– Junior High Math/Physical Education
Mr. Darian Goertzen– Junior High Social Studies/Physical Education
Miss Kalaina Haag– Junior High Language Arts/Science
Mrs. Melissa McDonald– Inclusive Education/Literacy Coach
Mr. Chris Fehr– Principal/Physical Education

**FVSD Building Futures
Collegiate Summer Career
Camps**

The Fort Vermilion School Division is providing an incredible summer learning opportunity for students that are currently in grades 9-12.

Free day camps, intended to give students hands on experience **while also earning high school credits**, will be available to students from August 19-23, 2024.

There are a wide variety of camp experiences available (26 in total) for students including drone aviation, junior forestry leaders program, construction, esthetics, and medical minds to name just a few.

FVSD will be sending the information out to all boxes in the post office. Alternatively, parents may request a copy of the information at BHPS. Grade 9 students at Buffalo Head Prairie School have already been informed of all opportunities at school.

As students prepare to be involved in the FVSD Collegiate in years to come, these summer camps are sure to provide some excellent teaching and learning experience while also earning students high school credits.

On behalf of all staff, we would like to express our appreciation to all families for supporting us as a staff. We feel appreciated and cared for by parents!

Collectively, we would like to wish BHPS families a wonderful summer together!

Should parents have questions during summer months, please feel welcome to contact Mr. Fehr at 780-841-2939

Students return to school on Tuesday, September 3!



Fort Vermilion School Division Driving School

*We prepare you for the road exam
for your class 5 driver's licence.*

Offering class 5 driver training course:

15 hours of classroom instruction

10 hours of driving

\$1,200

- May reduce insurance rates
- Talk to your insurance provider

Training by the hour, \$100/hour

- Minimum of 2 hours per session

First class starts mid
August in
High Level and
La Crete.

For more information
or to register contact
Melanie at
780-928-3860

Class 5 Driver Training
Registration Open!

