



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

Upcoming Event

**Wednesday-Thursday,
March 5-6**

Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday, March 5

Parent/Teacher Interviews

6:00-9:00pm

Thursday, March 6

Taco-in-a-Bag Orders Due

Parent/Teacher Interviews

3:00-6:00pm

Pre-ECS Parent Information

Meeting-4:00pm

Friday-Saturday, March 7-8

Jr. High Basketball Zones

Saturday, March 8

Gr. 4-6 Super Saturday

Basketball at LCPS

Hosted by RVCS

Sunday, March 9

Daylight Savings Time Begins

Set Our Clocks *Ahead* 1 Hour

Tuesday, March 11

Taco-in-a-Bag Lunch

Thursday, March 13

Subway Orders Due

Monday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day

Tuesday, March 18

Subway Lunch

First Day of Pre-ECS

1:15-2:25pm

Parent/Teacher Interviews



Parent/teacher interviews will be on March 5 from 6:00-9:00pm and March 6 from 3:00-6:00pm. Please call the school office at 780-928-2282 to make an appointment for your interview(s). Interviews will be 10 minutes in duration. If you feel you need more time to meet with a teacher, please request a double time slot when booking an appointment. We will try to accommodate this where possible.

Pre-ECS Parent Information Meeting

A Pre-ECS parent information meeting will take place at 4:00pm on Thursday, March 6. If you can make it to this meeting, please bring your child's birth certificate and health number along with your legal land location and rural address (green roadway sign) to complete their registration. Registrations for Kindergarten may be completed online or on paper. The first day of Pre-ECS will be March 18. This program will run Tuesdays & Thursdays from 1:15-2:45pm and will be led by Mrs. Darlene Wieler and Mrs. Trudy Klassen. Parents will be required to drive their students to and from Pre-ECS each day.



Community Cook-Off

Our annual Community Cook-off will take place at 6:00 pm on Thursday, March 27. The deadline to sign up as a volunteer chef is Friday, March 21. There are 5 categories to choose from: Drink, Meat, Pizza, Pasta, and Dessert. **This year, each chef will be provided with 225 individual portion sized serving containers in advance to help cover costs.** The entrance fee will be by donation and all proceeds will go towards supporting local families in need through La Crete Support Service. Please contact Mr. Hache if you would like to be one of the chefs, or if you require more information. We need many volunteers, so we are hoping to see you sign up. Remember the winner of each category takes home a wonderful Cook-off trophy! Thanks a lot for considering being a chef!

- Mr. Hache & Grade 5 Students

Horizons Student Leadership Conference at LCPS Report

Our student council, consisting of students in grades 4-9, and led by Mrs. Neudorf and Mr. Fehr, have been striving to make our school a better place. Students have demonstrated positive leadership skills in their roles this year. La Crete Public School hosted the Horizons Student Leadership Conference on Monday, March 3, and our student council members in junior high had the opportunity to participate with hopes of honing their leadership abilities even more.

Thank You Parents!

As a staff we have received some delicious treats and hot lunches from our wonderful BHPS parents throughout the year! We would like to thank you very much for your thoughtfulness, generosity, and kindness! We are so grateful!

Our Mission

To be a caring and collaborative school community, fostering responsible citizens and lifelong learners.



BHPS Art Gallery

In celebration of Artistic talent at our school, students are invited to submit their original artwork for our art gallery.

Any student from grades K-9 may submit their original artwork.

NO commercial characters will be accepted (Dora, Garfield, Mario, etc.)

Art may be completed at school or at home

Art must be 8.5" x 11"

NO pictures on lined paper

Submissions are to be made to Mrs. Magalona

DEADLINE for submissions: April 11, 2025

Winner will be announced: April 17, 2025

Buffalo Head Prairie School Council Meeting

February 24, 2025

Present: Larry Goertzen, Ryan Knelsen, Frank Bergen, Maria Wieler, Tim Bueckert, Chris Fehr, Melissa McDonald.

1. Call to order at 7:04 pm
2. Approval of Agenda
3. M/S Frank/Ryan that agenda was approved. Carried
4. Minutes from previous meeting January 27, 2025, were read by Maria Wieler.
5. Approval of previous minutes - M/S Tim/Ryan that the January 27, 2025, minutes be accepted as presented. Carried

6. Chairperson's Report

Larry Goertzen had been in contact with Bruce Harder about the upcoming school expansion. It sounded as though things were on track regarding the classroom being built for our school. Just waiting for the provincial budget. Mr. Goertzen informed the council that the expansion was 90% approved and that the FVSD was considering building a second classroom as well due to cost savings. Will depend on the budget.

7. Principal Report

- Thank you to Nellie Friesen, Joyce Harder, Debbie Neufeld and Neta Loewen for providing the school council meal for the staff this month. Thank you to all parents that randomly bring treats and food in for staff as well. This is appreciated immensely!
- Update on Caleb Teichroeb: As reported from the Teichroeb Family, the results of the last test looked good and as of now he is done with treatments which is very good news. Caleb was able to ring his bell at the Stollery, indicating he was done with treatments.
- There will be a presentation about drugs/alcohol, vaping led by Leah Martens in Junior high on March 20th in Junior High, Students will require Parent Consent to attend this presentation. This presentation was requested by BHPS parents and is supported by BHPS school council parents
- Staffing Update:
 - Mrs. Pam Boese will be teaching in grade 3 with Mrs. Peters until May 2nd, we are trying to get a qualified teacher to come in to finish the remainder of the year after she's done.
 - Mrs. Keefe is planning on coming back to Grade 1 next month. It has worked really well having Mrs. Schellenberg in her classroom while she was gone.
- Horizon student leadership conference will happen on March 3rd. Junior high student council leaders will be attending this event with Mrs. Neudorf who will be the staff leader.

- Parent and Teacher interviews will take place on March 5-6 with 10-minute time slots again this time. Parents may request a second time slot if they feel they require more than 10 minutes.
- FVSD has asked that all schools establish a debate club. This will be organized for junior high students by Mr. Kenyon, Mr. Diver, and Mr. Fehr. It is anticipated that there will be a divisional debate challenge at some point this year.
- There will be a Ski/Snowboarding trip coming up for the junior highs on March 11th. There is going to be a \$20 fee. Half will be paid by the school, and the rest will need to be paid by the student. School staff will observe how this event goes for students at the junior high age level and if it seems safe, taking grade 4-6 students will be considered as well.

8. Financial update:

- Budget review: we are on track and in line with previous years spending.

9. Trustee report: Trustee not present.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm

Next Meeting: March 24, 2025