



# THE PAW PRINT

## R.I. BAKER SCHOOL



### OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Thank you for your incredible support during our Walkathon fundraiser! Your enthusiasm and participation are what make our school community so special. We're thrilled as our students prepare to embark on their exciting 8 km journey, and we can't wait to see their determination and team spirit in action. The kids will have a chance to win some amazing prizes, which will surely motivate them as they walk together for a great cause!

Additionally, we'd like to remind you that our Parent Council meetings are a wonderful opportunity to get involved in your child's education and contribute to shaping our school's future. Your insights and participation are invaluable, and we encourage all parents to join us! Our next meeting is November 12th @ 6:30 PM.

As we head into cooler months, please ensure your children are dressed for the weather, as recesses and gym classes will be outside. Layering is key to keeping them comfortable while they enjoy their outdoor activities.

Thank you once again for your support and dedication to our school community.

Mr. Prebs



## IMPORTANT DATES

**Oct 4** - Walk A Thon

**Oct. 7** - Buster's Hot Lunch

**Oct 14** - Thanksgiving **No School**

**October 17** - **FREE** Subway Breakfast

**October 18** - Walk A Thon Money Due

**Oct 24** - Picture Re-Takes

**Oct 25** - PD Day **NO SCHOOL**

**November 4** - KFC Hot Lunch

**Nov 8** - Remembrance Day Ceremony @ 10:45

**Nov 11** - **NO SCHOOL**

**Nov 12 - 19** - Scholastic Book Fair

**Nov 13 & 14** - Parent/Teacher Interviews from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

**Nov 29** - PD Day **NO 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.schoolcashionline.com/>



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



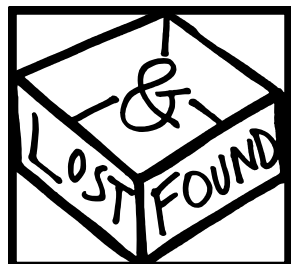
Invitations for Edsby have been emailed. Thank you to all the Parents that have already set up their accounts! If prompted when signing up, the School Code is Pallisersd

Please call our office at 403-345-3340 or email [glenda.kurtz@pallisersd.ab.ca](mailto: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.



# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE SCHOOL

## NEWS FROM THE LEARNING COMMONS

Exciting things have been happening in the learning commons! Students have been excited to check out many of the new titles that have been added.

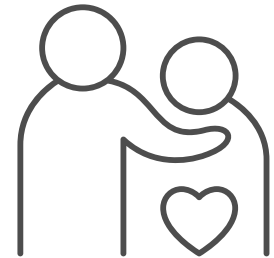
In November, a Scholastic Book Fair will be held during parent/teacher interview time. You are welcome to come take a look at what the fair has to offer. As always, money earned through the book fair sales will go directly back to the students through resources and novels that are purchased.



## COUNSELORS CORNER

Hi everyone,

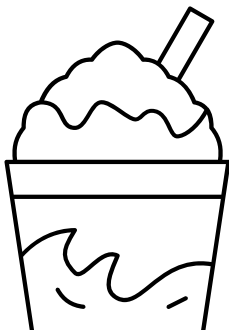
My name is Mrs. Megan and I am RI Baker's new FSLC (Family School Liaison Counsellor). What does this mean - this means I provide counselling services to any student in the school who is needing/wanting this service. I see students 1 on 1 to offer extra support when dealing with big feelings that might come up and are feeling hard to manage. Please come see me anytime to talk about anything you might need support with. You are never alone - there is always support for you at the school. Anxiety, stress, feeling sad, overwhelmed, difficulty with friendships, anything that you feel you could use someone extra to talk to, please come and see me! We can work on coping strategies and ways to work through what's going on together. If my door is opened, come on in! IF my door is shut, I am likely with someone else. So please leave me a note in the lock box or let your teacher know so I can find you as soon as I am free. I am at the school Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. I look forward to getting to know everyone!



## R.I. BAKER BEARS TUCK SHOP

We are excited to open the Tuck Shop on Tuesday, October 8 starting with grade 4 students followed by Grade 5 on Wednesday and Grade 6 on Thursday. A variety of lunch items will be available as well as Baker Gear and School Supplies. See page 8 of the newsletter for more info.

Hot Lunch will continue to be offered on the first Monday of every month. You may order and purchase Hot Lunch through [School Cash Online](#).



## KONA ICE IS COMING!

Kona Ice will be at RI Baker on the following Fridays.

October 18 12:30 - 3:00 PM  
 January 24 12:30 - 1:30 PM  
 March 28 12:30 - 1:30 PM  
 June 20 12:30 - 1:30 PM

November 22 12:30 - 1:30 PM  
 February 14 12:30 - 1:30 PM  
 May 30 12:30 - 1:30 PM

# 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
Indigenous Garden Project (all grades - various places)	Mrs. Macklin	Various recesses. Look for information on the announcements.
Baking Club (grade 6 only, room 201)	Mrs. Macklin	Fridays from 12:30 - 2:00 pm starting on October 4th
Handbells	Mrs. Conrad & Mrs. Pilling	Monday's at Lunch Recess in the Mezzanine.
Choir	Mrs. Conrad & Mrs. Pilling	Thursday's at Lunch Recess in the Music Room. Beginning October 3rd



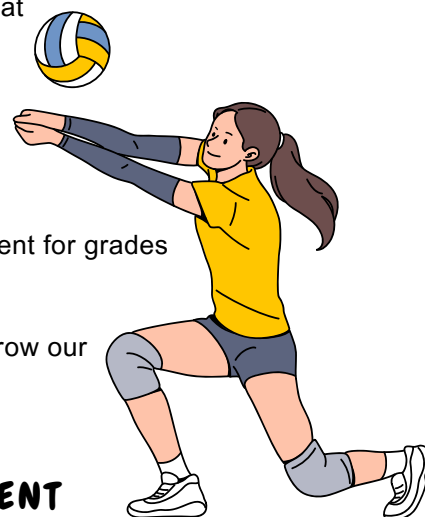
## R.I. BAKER ATHLETICS

Congratulations to our top finishers at the LSAA Cross Country Meet on September 18th! Runners competed against the Lethbridge schools for a 2km race at Nicolas Sheran Park.

- 2nd - Brynlee Leishman
- 4th - Mollie Pitcher
- 8th - Max Craven

Volleyball Club is underway, and we are looking forward to our tournament for grades 5/6 who are on the Team on October 18th!

Special thanks to all of our coaches who have given their time to help grow our athletes this year!



## GRADE 5 & 6 VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

October 18th at 1:30 p.m. RI Baker will host a round robin volleyball tournament with a pizza party to follow.







## GRADE 4 POD

Welcome to October!

Thank you for all your support with the Walkathon fundraiser. Remember to return all envelopes by October 18th. Hot lunch is the first Monday of each month. Order on School Cash for hot lunch!

Halloween Fun!

Your child is welcome to dress up on the 31st for school. Please keep all costumes appropriate, this means no masks, blood or violence, and no weapons.

The Tuck Shop is officially open for business. Grade 4s are able to purchase snacks on Tuesdays.

Please continue to check in with students about their weekly goal! You can find your child's goal in their agenda. That will help to ensure they have everything they need to accomplish their goal.

Remember to log into Edsby to check your child's progress and to report any absences.

## GRADE 5 POD

First off, we are excited to welcome back Mrs. Nasty to 5N, but sad to say farewell to Ms. Serbu.

The grade 5s have begun to settle into routine in the month of September and are ready to buckle down and dig into our grade 5 curriculum.

Reminders for Grade 5s:

Hot lunch is the first Monday of each month. Order on School Cash for hot lunch!

The Tuck Shop is officially open for business. Grade 5s are able to purchase snacks on Wednesdays.

Please continue to check in with students about their weekly goal! That will help to ensure they have everything they need to accomplish their goal. Remember to log into Edsby to check your child's progress and to report any absences.



## GRADE 6 POD

We have been busy this month! Each class has been working through various number sense math skills, such as comparing numbers, integers, writing numbers, and place value.

In language arts, each class is reading a novel study. We are practicing writing skills, spelling, and vocabulary too.

In social, we are discussing citizenship and democracy, and in science we are looking at the scientific method, energy, and natural resources.

We are practicing setting goals as a class that help us to improve each week, and we encourage our students to discuss their goals with their families and how they are planning and working towards meeting them. Don't forget to check Edsby for grades, messages, and absences!





# 2024 R.I. Baker Walk A Thon



**A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS, HOSTESS FRITO LAY AND LETHBRIDGE WEST SAFEWAY FOR PROVIDING THE SNACKS FOR OUR STUDENTS AFTER THE WALK A THON.**



The 19th annual RIBMS Walkathon will be held on Friday, October 4, 2024. This walkathon is our one major fundraiser for the year. It has also grown to become a great opportunity for the school community, students, staff and parents, to interact, be physically active, and have some fun. The walkathon consists of a 8 km walk through the Town of Coaldale. The RCMP and every member of our staff is being enlisted to ensure the utmost safety and success of this venture. Funds raised will go directly back to our students in the form of activities and other costs not covered by the regular school budget.

In addition to raising funds for the funds for RIBMS, students may also qualify for these great prizes:

<p><b>Bronze Fundraiser</b> <b>\$50-\$149 raised</b></p>	<p>Students will receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a world famous Baker T-shirt</li> <li>• 5 entries (of your choice) into our awesome draw prizes.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Silver Fundraiser</b> <b>For \$150-\$274 raised</b></p>	<p>Students will receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a world famous Baker Hoodie</li> <li>• 10 entries into our awesome draw prizes.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Gold Fundraiser</b> <b>For \$275 and above</b></p>	<p>Students receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a world famous Baker Hoodie</li> <li>• RIBMS Pizza Lunch</li> <li>• 20 entries into our wickedly awesome draw prizes.</li> </ul>	

**Additionally:**

- The top 3 earners in each grade level will receive ALL prizes listed and a spot in the limo for the Limo ride to 2 Guys Pizza Party!
- The top earner in each grade level will receive ALL prizes listed above PLUS a \$50.00 cheque.



It is our hope that each student raises at least \$50 in pledges to cover the expenses for prizes, and pod activities which walkathon funds cover. If students do not raise \$50 they will be charged extra on fees for pod activities. All funds earned will be spent on student/grade level related activities at the discretion of the principal.

In order to qualify for prizes, all participants must turn in their pledges in full, by  
**Friday, October 18, 2024.**

### **Walk A Thon Rewards Sponsored by:**



**\*\*Additional prize donations will be gladly accepted at the school for this fundraiser\*\***

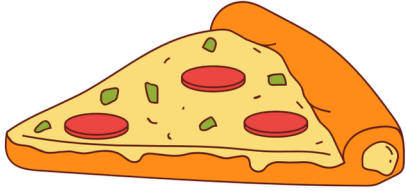


- **PLEASE** sign the online walking permission form which can be found on **School Cash**.
- Payment may be made through School Cash Online under the sponsored student. Other forms of payment will be taken as well. Each student should have received an envelope with all Walkathon information in it.
- Individuals requiring a tax donation receipt **MUST** make the donation under their name
- Social media is a great way to promote this fundraiser for your child using the school cash online link.
- Walkathon is the perfect opportunity for every child to be included in all grade level activities. Students who choose to not participate in Walkathon will be subject to additional fees to cover grade level activity costs. Please contact your child's homeroom teacher if your child is physically unable to walk the course.
- If any parents would like to volunteer, please contact the school at 403-345-3340. We do rely a great deal on our parents to support us in this venture. Thank you in advance for your support.
- Students will need to dress appropriately for the weather. Please make sure they are adequately equipped with items they may need. Comfortable walking shoes would be ideal.
- Please remember that electronics are **NOT** allowed. We are encouraging students to spend their time socializing with their friends and staff at this event.

# BAKER BEARS TUCK SHOP



## LOONIE MENU



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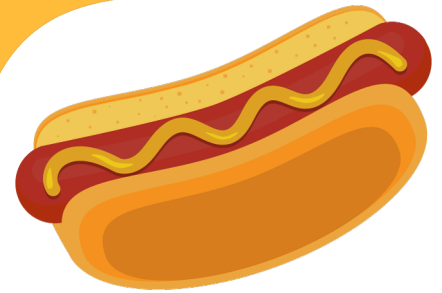
HOT ROD

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



# COMMUNITY NEWS CONTINUED



**County of Lethbridge  
Community Learning Council**

*celebrating 50 years*

Office phone: 403-345-6009  
 Phone/text/WhatsApp: 403-915-3145  
 Email: clclcoffice@gmail.com  
 Visit: 2014 - 18 Street, Coaldale (located in the library)



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Contact us if you are an adult (18+) living in Lethbridge County and would you like to improve your:

- reading and writing
- basic math
- basic computers or
- need to prepare for the Driver's Class 7 knowledge exam

We have classes starting in October!

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INTERMEDIATE FIRST AID LEVEL C AND AED CERTIFICATE

Instructed by St. John Ambulance



**Dates:** Saturday, October 19 and Saturday, October 26, 2024  
**Time:** 9:00 am - 6:00 pm  
**Location:** Coaldale Public Library, 2014 - 18 Street, Coaldale, AB  
**Fee:** \$ 180

## Coaldale Clothing Fest

### Clear Out Your Closet!



Coaldale Mennonite Church  
is holding a Fall Clothing Fest ...

**When?** Sat. October 19, 2024 (10:00am - 1pm)

**Where?** Coaldale Mennonite Church Gym  
(2316 – 17 Street)

**Why?** To help *support our community*  
From the

**How?** *generous donations and support of our community*



The clothing fest is a recycling program, which benefits many families in our community.

Pick out clothes at NO CHARGE.

Donations of clean clothing of all sizes in good condition are greatly appreciated.  
 Donations can be dropped off at the Coaldale Mennonite Church weekdays from 9am-12pm, starting October 1st – Oct 16th.











Remaining items will be donated to local charities.

For more information or special arrangements or if you would like to help,  
 contact Jodi Reed at (403) 345-5956



# October













Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	 4 Walk A Thon	5
6	 7 Buster's Hot Lunch	8	9	10	11	12
13	 14 Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL	15	16	 17 FREE Subway Breakfast for all staff and students	 18 Walk A Thon Money Due Grade 5&6 Volleyball Tournament  Kona Ice 12:30 - 3:00pm 	 19 Community Clothing Fest
20	21	22	23	 24 Picture Re-Takes	 25 PD Day NO SCHOOL	26
27	28	29	30	31		





# November



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	 4 KFC Hot Lunch	5	6	7	 8 Remembrance Day Ceremony @ 10:45	9
10	 11 Remembrance Day <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	 12 Scholastic Book Fair will be here   Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 PM	 13 Parent/Teacher Interviews 4 - 7 p.m.	 14 Parent/Teacher Interviews 4 - 7 p.m.	15	16
17	18	 19 Scholastic Book Fair ends	20	21	 22 Kona Ice 12:30 - 1:30 pm	23
24	25	26	27	28	 29 PD Day <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	30