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R.I. BAKER SCHOOL



NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

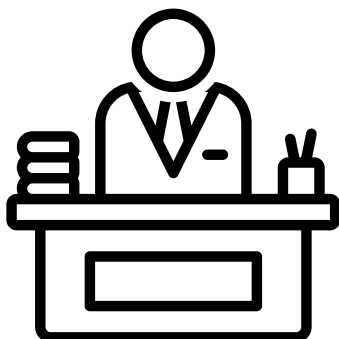
I want to extend my gratitude for your incredible support during our recent Walkathon fundraiser. Thanks to your support and generosity, we set a record this year! All the funds raised will go directly back to our students, enriching their educational experiences and providing them with even more exciting opportunities.

I also want to remind you that parent-teacher interviews are now available for booking through Edsby. I encourage you to schedule your appointments as soon as possible to ensure you secure a time slot that works best for you.

Lastly, as we move into the colder months, please remember to dress your children appropriately for the weather. Our students are required to go outside for recess, even when it's cold. Ensuring they have warm jackets, hats, and gloves will help them stay comfortable and enjoy their time outdoors.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support in making our school a great place for our children to learn and grow.

Mr. Prebs



IMPORTANT DATES

November 4 - KFC Hot Lunch

Nov 8 - Remembrance Day Ceremony @ 10:00

Nov 11 - NO SCHOOL

Nov 14 - FREE Tim Horton's Breakfast

Nov 12 - 19 - Scholastic Book Fair

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

Nov 22 - Kona Ice at the school from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Nov 29 - PD Day NO SCHOOL

Dec 9 - Edo Hot Lunch

Dec 11 - Winter Concert

Dec 12 - FREE Safeway Breakfast

Dec 19 - Turkey Dinner

Dec 23 - Jan 3 - Christmas Break 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.



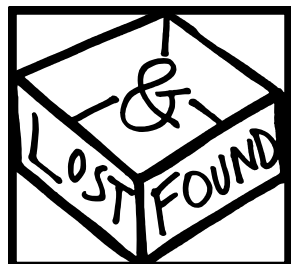
Invitations for Edsby have been emailed. Thank you to all the Parents that have already set up their accounts! If prompted when signing up, the School Code is Pallisersd

Please call our office at 403-345-3340 or email glenda.kurtz@pallisersd.ab.ca 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.



NEWS FROM THE PODS



GRADE 4 POD

We have started to get into routines and find our rhythm!

SWAP is going to be starting at the beginning of November. The purpose of this is to provide targeted intervention for kids. In this SWAP round, we will focus on word work, with a targeted focus on spelling. At the beginning of the week, students will be coming home with spelling words to help understand our learning strategy for the week. Please review and practice these words with your child.

Our Remembrance Day Assembly will be on November 8th at 10:45 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend. The choir will also sing during the assembly.

Parent-teacher interviews are on November 13-14 from 4-7 p.m. Please sign up to meet with your teacher on EDSBY.

Please continue to check Google Classroom and EDSBY for your child's grades and assignments. Students need to dress appropriately for the weather - students will be going outside for gym and recess.

GRADE 5 POD

It's hard to believe October is already behind us!

We are excited to be heading into our first round of LA Swap where students are regrouped based on approximate reading and comprehension levels. This will take place one period per day, Monday to Thursday, to help target reading comprehension.

All students should now have access to Google Classroom where they will be able to access materials that are being covered in the classroom while they are away from school. Remember to log into Edsby to check your child's progress and to report any absences.



GRADE 6 POD



What a great month October was! In Language Arts we are finishing up our first novel studies in each homeroom and are working lots on elements of a story and writing skills. In math, we are working on number sense: place value and operations. In science we have started Space and in social studies we are looking at democracy in Canada and comparisons to Ancient Athens.

We will start SWAP the first week of November! We will also be switching options classes later this month. Don't forget to book Parent Teacher Interviews - we can't wait to share all of your child's successes with you!

Grade 6 Rocks!!

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



BEARS ATHLETICS

Our fall clubs (Cross Country and Volleyball) have wrapped up, and we had a consistent group of students coming out to practice their skills!

In October we had a great mini-tournament for our grade 5/6 volleyball players. We had 3 other schools attend a tripleball jamboree to practice their skills in a tournament format. Our three teams showed an incredible amount of growth throughout the season, and had a great tournament! A special thank you to our coaches, Ms. Crooks, Ms. Giesbrecht, and Mrs. Rosentreter for their hard work this Volleyball season!

Our next club will be Basketball club, so keep an eye out in the announcements for more information.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE SCHOOL

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

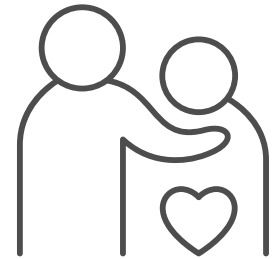
R. I. Baker will observe Remembrance Day on November 8th, with an assembly starting at 10:45. Weather-dependent students will end the ceremony at the cenotaph, so please have your child dress for the weather.



COUNSELORS CORNER

Hi everyone,

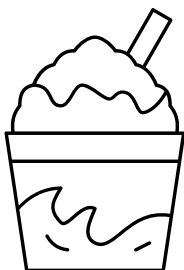
My name is Mrs. Megan and I am RI Bakers new FSLC (Family School Liaison Counsellor). What does this mean - this means I provide counselling services to any student in the school who is needing/wanting this service. I see students 1 on 1 to offer extra support when dealing with big feelings that might 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

The Tuck Shop is open! Students can purchase from the tuck shop on the following days: Grade 4 on Tuesday, 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.

November 22	12:30 - 1:30 PM	January 24	12:30 - 1:30 PM
February 14	12:30 - 1:30 PM	March 28	12:30 - 1:30 PM
May 30	12:30 - 1:30 PM	June 20	12:30 - 1:30 PM

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Thank you to those students who participated in the Indigenous Coloring Contest. The winners are:

Riley H.	from Grade 4
Lynden C.	from Grade 5
Brynley S.	from Grade 6
Logan Y.	Overall School Winner

Each winner had their picture taken and will be featured in the yearbook. As well, their coloring pages are displayed in the library.



RI BAKER SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR



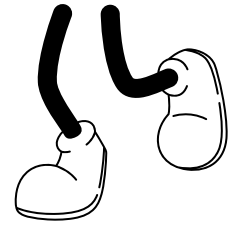
PURCHASES RAISE FUNDS THAT GO DIRECTLY BACK TO THE STUDENTS

- Book Fair is open to students during 1st & last recess.
- For every \$10 spent on BOOKS, get an entry to win a \$25 gift certificate to be used at the book fair.
- Cash, Debit and Credit Card are accepted.

Located in the RI Baker Library

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2024 R.I. Baker Walkathon was a **HUGE** success. Thank you to all those who participated.



Thank You to our **AMAZING** and **GENEROUS** Walkathon Sponsors:



♥ A special thank you to our parent volunteers. ♥

BAKER SKI TRIP

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 2025



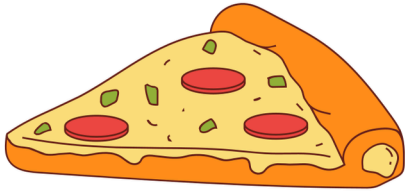
LAST DAY TO REGISTER IS FRIDAY, JANUARY 10TH

More info to come!

BAKER BEARS TUCK SHOP



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MINI PRINGLES

MINI OLD DUTCH

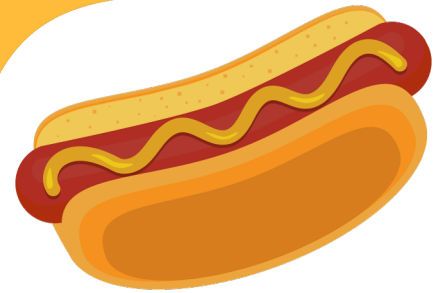
HOT ROD

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



COMMUNITY NEWS

the GUT-BRAIN CONNECTION

Join us for a free information night for parents, where we will explore the gut-brain connection and how it impacts neurodiversity!

Hosted by  **The Wonder Nook**


NOV. 6
6:30 - 7:30 PM


321 8 St S, Lethbridge, AB



ERIN VAN ESVELD
The Spectrum Nutritionist

To register:

 403-393-6102

 info@thewondernook.ca

childcare available



Lethbridge Badminton Club













Junior Badminton Coaching in Coaldale. Lethbridge Badminton Club is at the Shift Community Recreation Centre on Wednesdays from 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm. We currently have spaces available in our classes and would love to have junior players from Coaldale joining us. With classes for beginners through to experienced players, the coaching and game play will prepare players for the upcoming badminton season. For further information, please check out www.letbridgebadmintonclub.ca or send an email to lethbadclub@gmail.com










November



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	 KFC Hot Lunch	5	6	7	 Remembrance Day Ceremony @ 10:45	9
10	 Remembrance Day NO SCHOOL	 Scholastic Book Fair will be here  Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 PM	 Parent/Teacher Interviews 4 - 7 p.m.	 FREE Tim Horton's Breakfast for ALL staff & Students  Parent/Teacher Interviews 4 - 7 p.m.	15	16
17	18	 Scholastic Book Fair ends	20	21	 Kona Ice 12:30 - 1:30 pm	23
24	25	26	27	28	 PD Day NO SCHOOL  Country Christmas Night of Lights 4-9pm	30



December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	 9 Edo Hot Lunch	10	 11 Winter Concert	 12 FREE Safeway Breakfast for all Staff & Students	13	14
15	16	17	18	 19 Turkey Dinner	20	21
22	 23 Christmas Break NO SCHOOL	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



Guiding is...
MOST. FUN. EVER.



1st Coaldale



Come learn about Guiding
ask questions and have some fun!

WHEN:

Sparks & Embers **November 19** 6-7:15 pm

Guides **November 20** 6-7:30 pm

Pathfinders & Rangers **November 14** 7-8:30 pm

WHERE: Coaldale SPORTSPLEX, basement

RSVP by November 10 @

coaldalegirlguides@gmail.com

Everything she wants to be.

REGISTER ONLINE!

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