

## Bandit Bulletin October, 2018 News



### Upcoming Events:

- **Monday, October 1st** - Drive Away Hunger Campaign with Farm Credit Canada kicks off at the B3 and each child will be bringing home a brown paper bag to put donations in.
- **Tuesday, October 2nd** - First day to bring donations for the Drive Away Hunger Campaign
- **Thursday, October 4** - No School, Staff Learning a.m.  
-Parent Teacher Conference 1:00-8:00 p.m.
- **Friday, October 5**- No School (Teacher Learning Day)
- **Monday, October 8**- No School, Thanksgiving
- **Tuesday, October 9** - City wide School Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. at GW Smith School
- **Wednesday, October 10** - Hot Lunch Boston Pizza  
- 4 on 4 Rugby Fest at Annie L. Gaetz
- **Friday, October 12** - Last day to bring donations for the Drive Away Hunger Campaign.
- **Tuesday, October 16** - Parent Council 7:00 p.m.
- **Wednesday, October 17**- Picture Retake Day -Innovation Lab- Library 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday, October 24** - Hot Lunch Subway - Swim Lessons Begin 9:00-12:00 for grade 3 & 4 Students
- **Thursday, October 25** -Fall Movie Night- 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday, October 31**- Halloween Parade 1:15 p.m. (Parents can watch in gym.)

## Principal's Message

Welcome to October! Over the last few weeks we seem to have been robbed of our beautiful fall weather as we have seen snow on more days than we can count. One of the advantages of working in an elementary school is seeing all of the joy that snow brings to our students. No matter what time of year elementary students love to build snowmen and play in the snow. As Mrs. Mckeage always says "Outside is the best side" no matter what the weather brings! October will bring a new round of school events many of them centered around fall and Halloween. Our Parent Council is planning their first family event of the year with a Halloween movie night on October 25th.

As we head into the Thanksgiving weekend, I hope that all of our school families have the opportunity to spend time together and enjoy the long weekend with family friends.

Mr. Good, Principal

### Look Who's Been Sent to the Office



The following student have been sent to the office to show Mr. Good their good work: Jaya Bhardwaj, Emma Hermes, Addley Johanson, Maddison Veno and Laney Read.

**Wilson Ways** - Our students have been doing a great job demonstrating our three Wilson Ways of Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Resilient. Each week we host a weekly B3 lesson where we discuss and demonstrate what the Wilson Ways are all about with students. We will host our first Wilson Ways pizza lunch on October 3rd. The following students were recognized: Camila Gutierrez Ruiz, Roman Ivanenko, Cohen Cochrane, Avea Rasmussen, Madden Rome, Zachary Moore, Yuli Xiao, Ana Paulin, Adam Mouhamad, Eli Colton, Deba Bayat and Addison Hill.





### Hot Lunch Program-

Our hot lunch program will begin on October 10th. Check out

<https://healthyhunger.ca/> to set up an account and order lunches.



**Parent Teacher Conferences** will take place from 1:00-8:00 on

Thursday, October 4. To log in and book conferences please go to the website below and enter the event code: **hemuf** [schoolinterviews.ca](http://schoolinterviews.ca)



**School Clothing Order** - We are selling Barrie Wilson clothing including hoodies and t-shirts. You can order your clothing online by going to the following link: <https://goo.gl/LB6wGd> We will have samples available to try on at conferences on Thursday night.



**BWN** - Barrie Wilson News (BWN) broadcasts live every morning from our school TV studio. You can see some examples of our recent features by clicking on the BWN

tab on the school website under information on Quick Links. Each morning students record Barrie Wilson News which is broadcasted to all of the classes throughout the day.

**Remind 101** - If you haven't yet signed up for Remind 101 please do so. Remind 101 is text messaging service that allows the school to send you messages and notifications about upcoming school events directly to your phone. To sign up for EBWS News via Remind 101 you need to text @338750 to (587) 316-1692

**We are on Facebook & Twitter**

You can follow Ecole Barrie Wilson School on both Twitter and Facebook.



This year marks Farm Credit Canada's 15<sup>th</sup> year of helping hungry families by having their annual Drive Away Hunger Campaign. Students at EBWS are asked to donate food items, personal hygiene items, and pet food for families in need. The items will be given to our Red Deer and District Food Bank. Our campaign at EBWS starts on Monday, October 1st. Bandit will be in the gym to share information about the campaign with all the students. Each child will be bringing home a brown bag to put donations in on October 1st. If your family has extra food or if you are able to pick up a few items for the Red Deer and District Food Bank that would be great. The brown bags from Farm Credit Canada are very big and so please don't feel they need to be filled in order to participate; even a few items are greatly appreciated. The Farm Credit Canada staff will be here with their truck and trailer to pick up all the items that the Bandits have donated on Friday, October 12th.



**Parent Council News:** We had an excellent turnout for our first parent council meeting. Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> will be our next parent council meeting. Our parent council executive

includes: Chairperson- Jaelene Tweedle, Vice Chair-Chantal Mangan, Treasurer- Marcy Mason, and Secretary- Meagan Parisian. All parents are welcome to attend these meetings.

**Fall Movie Night-** The Parent Council will be hosting a Fall movie night in the gym. There will be popcorn for sale and a silent auction. This will take place on October 25th from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Admazing Savings Books-** There are still lots of books available for sale. They are available at the office for \$25.00.

## School Swim Program



All EBWS students in grades 3 and 4 will have the opportunity to participate in the school swim program beginning on October 24th. Students will be bussed to the Recreation Centre every Wednesday morning for five weeks for a 45 minute swimming lesson. Permission slips will be sent home during parent teacher interviews.



## Innovation Lab Wednesdays

Red Deer Public Library, Timberlands Branch  
Wednesdays: October 16, November 15, January 16, February 20th  
6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  
All ages

Drop in on the third Wednesday of each month to get hands-on with our Innovation Lab tech toys! Build and code a Lego WeDo creation, program our Dash and Dot robots, rearrange a Code-a-Pillar to change its path, and more! The first session is Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>!



## Super Fun Saturdays - Bogey Man Mini Golf Saturday, October 20 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. All ages

Come putter a-round and see if you can avoid the hazards with our Halloween-themed library mini golf course.



Thank you to a Barrie Wilson family that made an anonymous donation to our school Benevolence

Fund. Our Benevolence Fund supports families who need support for things such as breakfast, lunches, gym shoes, winter wear etc. Everyone forgets their lunch at some point, we keep food on hand for those situations too!

Thank you to Nancy McKeage for organizing our Running Club. We have had over 249 students running!!!! Wow! Well done students!

## Dawe Run - Congratulations to our Grade 4 & 5



students who participated in the annual Dawe Run on Tuesday,

September 18th. We had about 125 grade 4 & 5 students participate. Special Congratulations to Naomi Schmidt (came in 1st) and Karsten Keys (came in 2nd). Thank you to the parents who show up, rain or shine, to volunteer at this or other events to cheer on our students!

## Rugby Fest



As an extension of the Phys. Ed. Curriculum, many of our grade 4 and 5 students will be participating in a rugby tournament at Annie L. Gaetz on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. This tournament involves schools within Red Deer Public School District.

## Five Key Tips for Digital Parenting

Before you get started, here are five key tips to guiding your kids to safe and responsible digital lives:

### Don't be scared!

You hear a lot of scary stuff about kids and the internet, but the fact is that most kids do just fine. Think of the internet as being like a swimming pool: the best way to keep your kids safe there is to teach them how to stay safe.

### Talk to your kids.

Don't wait until things have already gone wrong to talk to your kids about online issues, and don't just have one "big talk." What your kids need from you is *guidance*, so they're prepared to deal with problems before they happen, *support* from you when things do go wrong, and for you to *reinforce* these messages by continuing to talk to them as they get older and are more able to make decisions for themselves. The three main sections of this guide have lots of tips on how to talk about all of the major online issues. If you have older kids and haven't talked to them about the internet yet, don't worry: it's never too late to start!

### Be a part of your kids' media lives.

What your kids are watching, playing, reading and listening to is a big part of the person they're turning into, and their online lives can be just as important to them as the "real world." Younger kids are usually glad when their parents show an interest in the things they like, so get them to show you how their new favourite game works or why they're so excited about joining a new social network. You can also use media to talk about sensitive issues: kids may be more comfortable talking about sexting or bullying when you're discussing a character in a TV show than someone they know.

### Be the person your kids come to when they have problems online.

A lot of the time, kids don't want to go to their parents when things go wrong because they're afraid they'll get in trouble. When your kids start going online make sure they know clear **procedures** on what to do if things go wrong, like if they can't figure out a game or they accidentally access something unpleasant. (Check out the "How do I talk about..." and "How do I..." sections below for some of these procedures.) If they're in the habit of coming to you about the little things, they'll be a lot more likely to talk to you about the big ones.

### Set rules and communicate values.

The internet may seem like the Wild West sometimes, but the rules you set still affect how kids behave online. What's most important is that your rules are a way of getting across the **values** you want your kids to live by, that way they'll keep living by them even when they're grown up and out on their own.