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Important Dates

August - September 2024

Aug 22	Returning student registrations emailed to parents
Aug 23	Login in to PS to view your child's homeroom teacher
Aug 28 - 30	Staff Planning Days
Aug 29	Kindergarten Meet the Teacher
Aug 29	BFPA Parent Information Session
Sept 2	Labour Day Holiday
Sept 3 & 4	Staggered Start Gr. 1 - 12 - See page 2 for schedule
Sept 5	First full day for Gr. 1 - 12 students
Sept 13	Returning Student Registration Forms Due Welcome Back Breakfast for Students
Sept 19	Lifetouch Individual and Class Photos
Sept 20	No School for Students
Sept 23	Parent Advisory Council AGM
Sept 25	Bentley School Open House & Community Good Neighbor Day
Sept 30	National Truth and Reconciliation Day No School for Students and Staff

Bentley School Staff would like to wish you all a safe and happy summer holiday!!

The school will be closed for summer holidays beginning July 1, 2024 and will reopen August 28, 2024

2024-2025 Start Up Reminders

Registration/Demographic Forms for Returning Students

Every family (new and returning) will receive an email in regards to a returning student profile update for the 2024-2025 school year. We require parents to follow the instructions on the email and submit the information asap. Once this online process is completed, the information is then updated into your child's demographic within PowerSchool. It is important that schools have correct and current phone numbers, contacts, addresses, etc. If you did not receive an email asking you to update your child's student profile, please check your spam/junk folder. The returning student registration information forms must be completed online by **September 13, 2024**. Parents are required to log into their PowerSchool Parent Portal, click on the School Engage tab and complete the online student demographic form. If you are having issues submitting the form or have any questions, please contact Bentley School at 403-748-3770. These forms are mandatory for parents to complete every year.

Staggered Entry

Bentley School will start the 2024-2025 with two staggered start times. Students will attend one full day of classes on their assigned day. This enables students time to get settled, introduce routines, get to know their teacher, put away their supplies, etc. Please refer to the staggered entry schedule:

Kindergarten: 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.	
Tues, Sept 3 No Busing	Surname: A - L
Thur, Sept 5 No Busing	Surname: M - Z
Tue, Sept 10 Busing Starts	All Students

Grade 1 - 8:	
Tues, Sept 3	Surname: A - L
Wed, Sept 4	Surname: M - Z
Thur, Sept 5	All students

Grade 9 - 12:	
Tues, Sept 3	Grade 9
Wed, Sept 4	Grade 10,11,12
Thur, Sept 5	All students

Homerooms

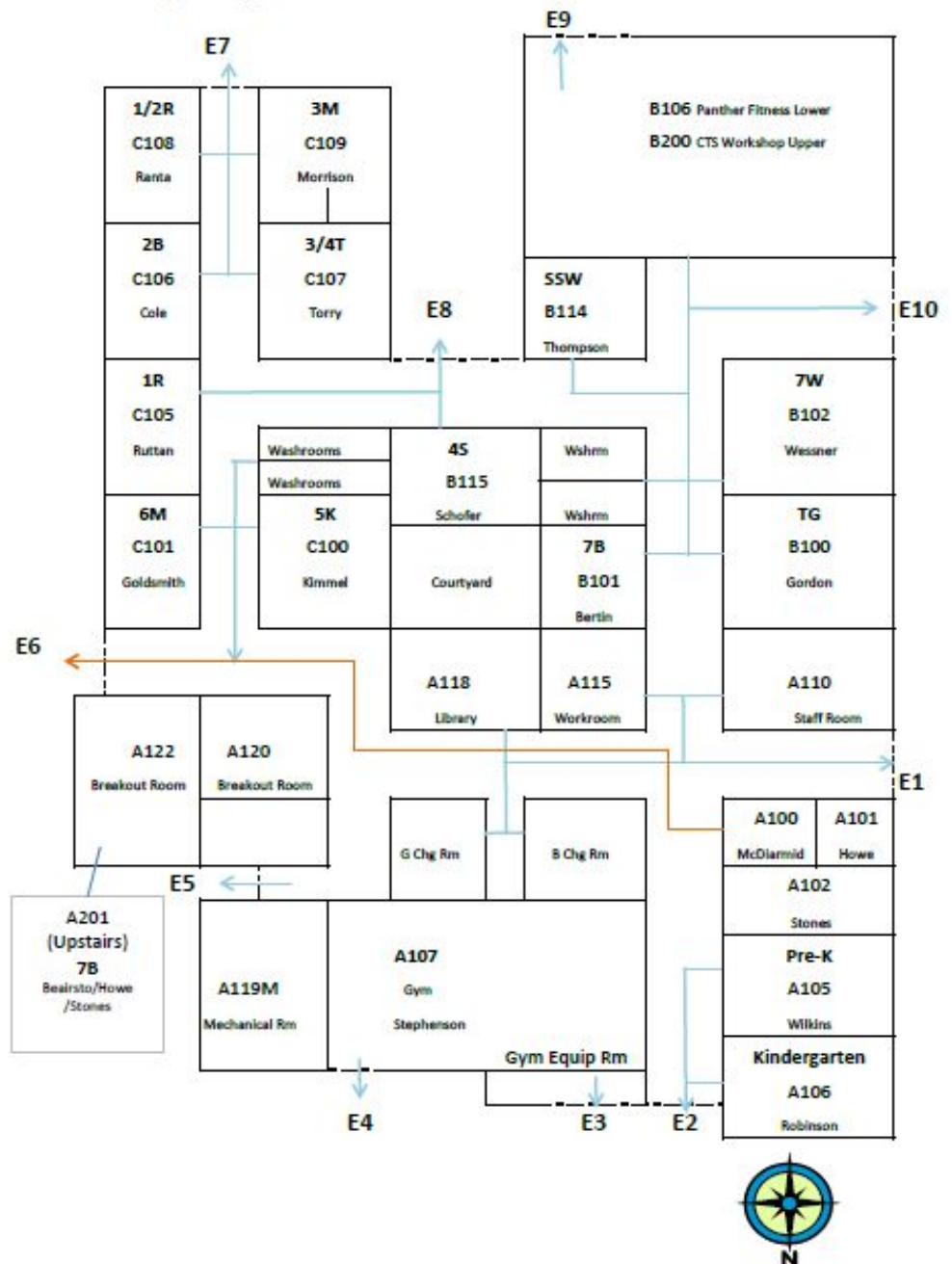
You will be able to find out your child's homeroom teacher and their room assignment by Aug 23. Login to your PowerSchool account, click the Grades and Attendance tab and look for the homeroom block on their schedule or click on the Bell Schedule to view your child's time table.

Classroom Map & Student Pick up and Drop Off

Teachers will be greeting students at their assigned drop off locations.

Pre-K	E1
K	E2
Gr. 1 & 2	E7
Gr. 3 & 4	E8
Gr. 5 & 6	E6
Gr. 7 & 8	E10
Gr. 9 - 12	High School

Bentley School-Elementary Building Emergency Exit Routes



Kindergarten Information Packages

Kindergarten information packages have been emailed out to all parents. Due to lower than normal enrollment numbers, there is only one Kindergarten class on Tuesday & Thursday. You can also find the information on our website at:

<https://bentley.wolfcreek.ab.ca/parents/welcome-to-kindergarten>. A meet the teacher night is scheduled for Thursday, August 29 at 5 p.m.

Bright Futures Play Academy Information

BFPA information has been emailed out to all parents. Please ensure that fees are paid by September 1, 2024. A parent information session is scheduled for Thursday, August 29 at 6:15 p.m.

Chromebooks:

Jr and Sr high students require a chromebook. We have very limited supply of chromebooks available for student use - only 5 in the high school and 15 in the junior high. For more details on [chromebook purchasing options for parents](#), please visit this document or refer to the [Wolf Tech Always Learning](#) for things you need to be aware of when purchasing a chromebook.

Class & Bell Schedules 2024-2025

Junior and senior high school class & bell schedules are available on the school website at: <https://bentley.wolfcreek.ab.ca/students/class-bell-schedules>.

Planning to volunteer next year?

At Bentley School, we love our volunteers! We need help with track meets, picture days, popcorn days and in the classrooms.

All prospective volunteers are subject to screening and possible interviews with school administrators. These forms will be kept on file at the school. All volunteers are required to complete:

[Volunteer Application Form](#) - Must be completed yearly

[Criminal Record Declaration Form](#) - Valid for 3 years

[Vulnerable Sector Check Application](#) - Valid for 3 years and is only required if the volunteer will be:

- Working Closely with children in situations where he/she will be alone with individual children and groups of children, without direct supervision and oversight from staff;
- In a natural position of trust and authority given the relationship between children and school volunteers

Additional Staff Changes for 2024-2025

A number of additional staff changes have taken place this month. Mrs. Moore has accepted a new position in Red Deer and we wish her well! Mrs. Ruttan will be teaching the Gr. 1 class next year. We would like to welcome Craig Torry who will be teaching the Grade 3 /4 split class next year. Welcome Craig!

Staff List 2024 - 2025

Principal	Landan Stones
Vice Principals	Stephen Lush & Jill Howe
Bright Futures	Jamie Wilkins
Kindergarten	Vanessa Robinson
Gr. 1	Kelsey Ruttan
Gr. 1/2	Courtney Ranta
Gr. 2	Darci Cole
Gr. 3	Lindsay Morrison
Gr. 3/4	Craig Torry
Gr. 4	Erin Schofer
Gr. 5	Sheri Kimmel
Gr. 6	Michelle Goldsmith
Jr. High Science	Travis Wessner
Jr. High English	Mat Beairsto/Jill Howe/Landan Stones
Jr. High Social	Taylor Gordon
Jr. High Math	Jannah Bertin
Sr. High Science/Phys Ed	Hayley Lush
Sr. High Math/Physics	Laura Webb
Sr. High Science/Physics	Tayler Button
Sr. High English	Shyla Baile
Sr. High Social Studies	Jason Hazlett
K - Gr. 8 Phys Ed	Pam Stephenson
Mat Leave	Leesha Bilodeau

Admin Assistants

Marsha Lush
Tammy McDiarmid

Librarian:

Tammy McDiarmid

Social Worker:

Alysha Thompson

EA Support:

Starla Braithwaite
Becca McKernon
Leslie Anderson
Toni Genge
Lynne Bromwich
Tannis Crawford
Jenn Liner
Laura McKain
Darla Park
Corrine Kamps
Susan Owens
Lora Nash
Carmen Hrynyk
Sherry Haarstad
Haley Kirsch
Sharleen Klein
Carmen Peers

Custodians:

Fay Nykolaishyn
Theo Nykolaishyn
Pam Davey

School Fees

Fees due September 30, 2024

We accept cash, cheques (Payable to Wolf Creek Public Schools), online and a debit machine is located at the high school office.

Pay your school fees online

Step 1: <https://bentley.wolfcreek.ab.ca>

Step 2: Click on PowerSchool & Online Payment

Step 3: Sign in using your PowerSchool username & password

Base Fees:

Kindergarten: \$100 (\$60 school fee, \$40 technology fee)

Gr 1-6: \$40 (\$40 technology fee)

Gr 7-9: \$160 (\$80 option fee, \$30 yearbook, \$40 technology fee, \$10 student wellness)

Gr 10: \$160 (\$80 option fee, \$30 yearbook, \$40 technology fee, \$10 student wellness) + additional fees

Gr 11: \$80 (\$30 yearbook, \$40 technology fee, \$10 student wellness) + additional fees

Gr 12: \$80 (includes \$30 yearbook, \$40 technology, \$10 leadership) + additional fees + grad fee TBD

Additional Fees for Gr. 10 - 12:

(these fees will be added to base fee if your child is taking one of these courses)

PE 10-3/20-3/30-3: **\$40**

PE: 10-5/20-5/30-5: **\$40**

Math & Physics Consumables: **\$35**

Art: **\$20**

Foods: **\$50**

Woods: **\$50**

Additional fees may be added throughout the year to cover the cost of field trips, swimming lessons, sports fees or clubs.

Course Fee Breakdown:

Technology Fee: helps to pay for the multiple website and online platform licensing fees

Option Fee: pays for the supplies that are incurred in your child's option class

Student Wellness: pays for guest speakers, school activities supplies, Terry Fox turkeys, etc

School Supplies

Your teachers at *Bentley School* are excited to offer the opportunity to purchase your school supplies through School Start for the 2024-2025 school year. This process will save you both time and money.

See the specific grade level supply lists linked on the next page.

The lists have a **Starter Package** (base package) as well as **Additional Items Required**. The additional items are required by each teacher; they include items such as pencil cases, sharpeners, and calculators. These products do not need to be purchased on a year-to-year basis if you already have them.

There are three ways to place your order:

1. You can place your order online at www.schoolstart.ca
2. You can place your order over the phone 1-800-580-1868
3. You can print and fill out the supply list and return via email to info@schoolstart.ca
4. You may utilize the same list to purchase your supplies locally. If you choose to purchase locally, please remember to purchase items off the **Starter Package** and the **Additional Items Required**.

Remember, you can purchase parts of the additional section if your child already has supplies that are in good order from a previous year - please save money and the environment.

The supplies will be packaged and delivered directly to your home or directly to school before school starts.

Order early and you will be entered in one or more contests!

If you have any questions, please contact **School Start's Customer Service Department**: Email: info@schoolstart.ca | Phone: 1-800-580-1868

Tools for School Application - [Apply Online!](#)



School Start

Back to School with School Start

Parents you can now order your child's back to school supply kits from **schoolstart.ca**

EARLY ORDER INCENTIVES

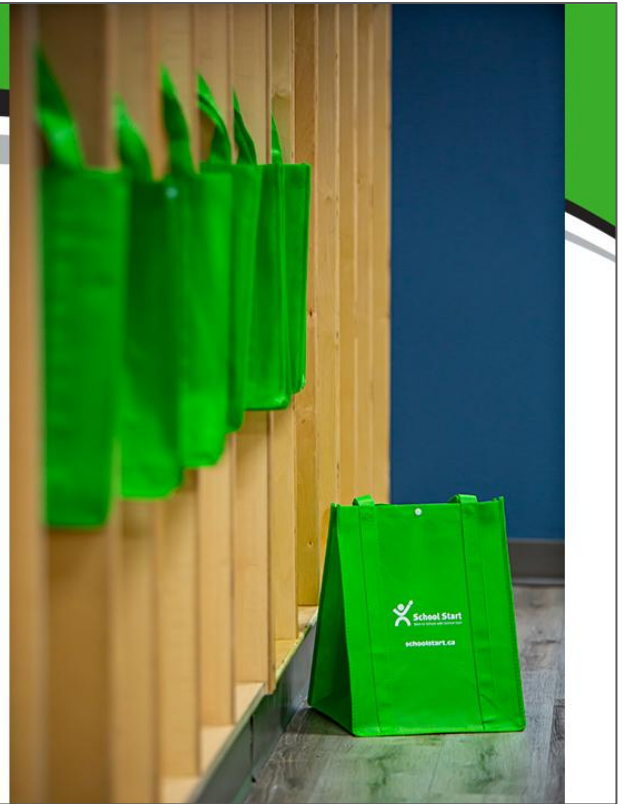
SEE SCHOOL START PARENT LETTER FOR DETAILS!

ORDER **ANYTIME** ONLINE

OR

ORDER via CALL CENTRE AT
1-800-580-1868

Visit them at www.schoolstart.ca



Click the link to view the grade level supply list.

[Grade 1](#)

Parents please note:

[Grade 2](#)

Phone calculators are not acceptable.

[Grade 3](#)

Junior high and high school students taking Math 10-3, 20-3 or 30-3, require a scientific calculator.

[Grade 4](#)

High School students who are taking Math 10C, Math 20-1, 20-2, 30-1, 30-2 or 31, require a Texas Instrument graphing calculator (TI-83, TI-83 Plus, TI-84, TI-84 Plus, or TI-84 Plus CE)

[Grade 5](#)

[Grade 6](#)

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[Grade 7-8](#)

[Grade 9-12](#)



2024
2025



If your child attends school in:
Lacombe * Bentley * Clive * Alix

You may qualify for
Tools for School!

APPLY NOW!!!

**School Supplies OR
New Shoe Voucher**

DEADLINE TO ORDER IS JULY 31, 2024

**CONTACT 403-782-6637 OR
WWW.LACOMBEFCSS.NET**

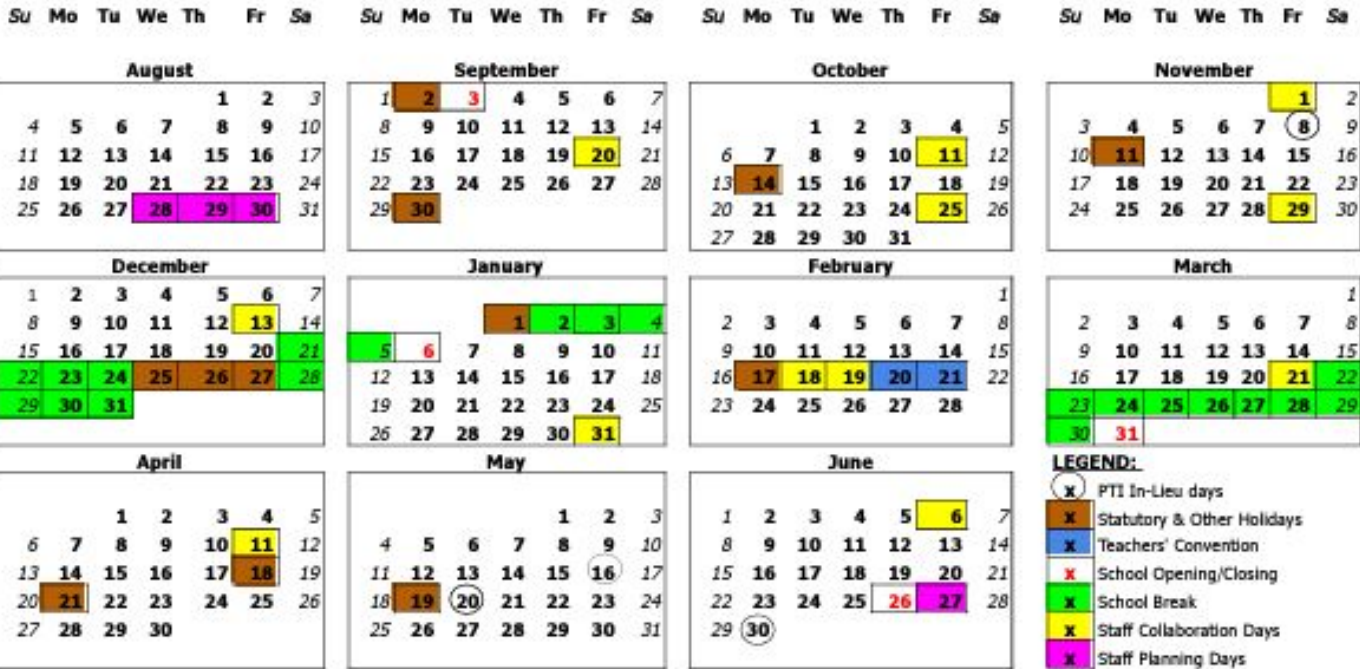


School Start
Back to School with School Start

Information collected that you provide to Lacombe & District FCSS is collected under the authority of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP) Section 33(c). This information will be used for the purpose of the "Tools for School" program. Your personal information is protected from unauthorized access, use and disclosure under Part 2 of the FOIP Act. Questions regarding this collection of personal information may be directed to info@lacombefcss.net or 403-782-6637

WOLF CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2024 - 2025 School Year
BENTLEY SCHOOL

APPROVED



			Staff	Students
August	Aug. 28, 29, 30	Staff Planning Days	3	0
September	Sept. 2	Labour Day		
	Sept. 3	Students' First Day		
	Sept. 20	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Sept. 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation	19	18
October	Oct. 11	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Oct. 14	Thanksgiving Day		
	Oct. 25	Staff Collaboration Day	22	20
November	Nov. 1	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Nov. 8	Staff Earned Day Off (In-Lieu for Parent-Teacher Interviews)		
	Nov. 11	Remembrance Day		
	Nov. 29	Staff Collaboration Day	20	17
December	Dec. 13	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Dec. 25, 26, 27	Christmas Stat Holidays		
	Dec. 21	Christmas Break (Dec 21- Jan 5 inclusive)	15	14
January	Jan. 1	New Years Day Stat		
	Jan. 6	First day back after Holiday Break		
	Jan. 31	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Jan. 31	Conclusion of First Semester	20	19
		Semester One Total	99	88
February	Feb. 3	Commencement of Second Semester		
	Feb. 17	Family Day		
	Feb. 18 & 19	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Feb. 20 & 21	Teachers' Convention	19	15
March	Mar. 21	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Mar. 22	Spring Break (March 22 to March 30 inclusive)	16	15
April	Apr. 11	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Apr. 18	Good Friday		
	Apr. 21	Easter Monday	20	19
May	May 16	Staff Earned Day Off (In-Lieu for Parent-Teacher Interviews)		
	May 19	Victoria Day		
	May 20	Staff Earned Day Off (In-Lieu for Parent-Teacher Interviews)	19	19
June	Jun. 6	Staff Collaboration Day		
	Jun. 26	Students' Last Day		
	Jun. 27	Teacher Evaluation Day (final staff days)	20	18
	Jun. 30	Staff Earned Day Off (In-Lieu for Parent-Teacher Interviews)		
		Semester Two Total	94	86
Year Total			193	174



Wolf Creek Public Schools

September 3, 2024

Dear Parents,

RE: Fair Notice

The safety of our children is a top priority for us all. We, as a school system, have been involved in intensive safety training and collaboration with our community partners – the police, Alberta Health Services (Addictions & Mental Health) and Children's Services. Together we have created and signed a community protocol for responding to all situations in which students may be posing a threat to themselves or others.

This letter is to inform you that we, as a school system, adopted a policy in January 2003 that mandates schools to have a "zero tolerance" stance for not investigating all threats and threatening behaviours (Admin Procedure 167). The purpose of the investigation/assessment is to determine how best to support high-risk students so that their behaviour does not become harmful or destructive. Please be assured that if your principal is aware of threatening behaviour, he/she will be taking measures to deal with the situation in a positive and proactive manner. If your principal invites you to a meeting to discuss safety concerns about your own child, please be assured that protocol is being followed and that the goal is safety, not punishment.

This letter is intended to serve our community with **fair notice** that we, as a school community, will not accept "no response" to a threat making behaviour. Our goal is to respond to all threats in a professional manner that provides for a healthy and caring learning environment.

We are proud to be able to provide this level of support to our school communities and are most fortunate to have our community partners at our side.

Sincerely,

Tim De Ruyck
Superintendent
Wolf Creek Public Schools

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Superintendent of Schools

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(403) 783-5140
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(403) 783-3155

KidSport Alberta

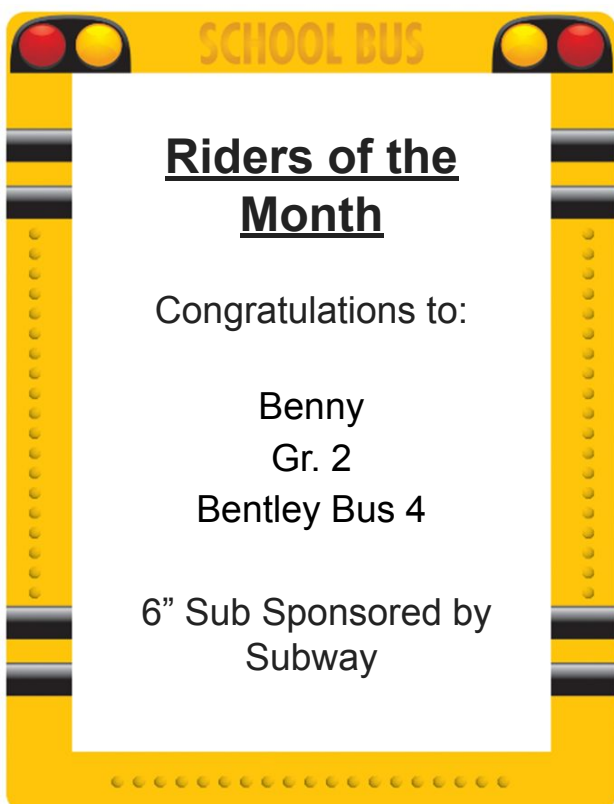
KidSport Alberta provides grants to help cover the registration costs so all kids aged 18 and under can play a season of sport. Together with our network of nearly 40 local chapters, we remove barriers So ALL Kids Can Play!

If you want to apply for a KidSport grant or learn more about the program details, start by finding the chapter that covers your community. Visit <https://kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/> for more information.

Grants for families living outside of chapter boundaries are through the KidSport Alberta Provincial Fund. [Click here to apply for a grant.](#)

Toast Granny

Are you interested in volunteering as a Toast Granny next year? Each day a volunteer, typically a Grandma of students past or present in our school, comes in to make toast for our students in the morning as part of our Breakfast Program. We are looking for a couple extra volunteers to add to our rotation schedule. If you are interested, please reach out to Mrs. Owens via email at susan.owens@wolfcreek.ab.ca



*Wishing you
all an
amazing
summer!*

Community News!

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

TUESDAYS FROM 2:30-4:30PM
FOR AGES 13-18
AT THE FRN OFFICE
#1102 4876A 46 ST.
NO PROGRAM JULY 23 OR AUGUST 27

CALL OR TEXT CARSON AT (587)679-0544
FOR MORE INFORMATION



Family
Resource
Network

SUMMER 2024

Youth Club

AGES 7-12

Join Carson for
games, snacks, crafts
and lots of big fun!

TUESDAYS, 11AM-12:30PM

LACOMBE FRN OFFICE

#1102 4876A 46 ST.

NO PROGRAM JULY 23 OR AUGUST 27TH

Call or text for more info:

587-679-0544



Family
Resource
Network

SAVE

OPEN
HOUSE

LACOMBE & AREA FAMILY
RESOURCE NETWORK

JULY 12 1-3PM

2024

THE

DATE



UNIT 1102
4876A 46 ST.

Lacombe, AB

BURMAN
UNIVERSITY

Gym Activities

Rock Climbing

Swimming in the Pool

Summer Camps

Gymnastics

Canoeing

- SESSION 1: July 8-12
- SESSION 2: July 15-19
- SESSION 3: July 22-26
- SESSION 4: July 29 - Aug. 2
- SESSION 5: Aug. 6-9
- SESSION 6: Aug. 12-16

- * Age range 9-14-year-olds
- * Morning session from 8:00am - 12:00pm
- * Afternoon Session from 1:00pm - 5:00pm
- * Cost per week for morning or afternoon: \$165.00 (except \$135.00 for Session 5)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION CENTRE

6415 University Dr. Lacombe, AB
Phone: 403.782.2822
olgasadovoy@burmanu.ca
www.burmanu.ca/pecentre

REGISTRATION | INFORMATION

SUMMER CAMPS www.burmanu.ca/pecentre/summercamps

SWIMMING CLASSES www.burmanu.ca/pecentre/lessons

Swimming Lessons



PRESCHOOL 1 & 2	10:05-10:50 am	\$47.00
PRESCHOOL 3 & 4	10:05-10:50 am	\$47.00
PRESCHOOL 5	10:05-10:50 am	\$47.00
SWIMMER 1	10:55-11:45 am	\$47.00
SWIMMER 2	10:55-11:45 am	\$47.00
SWIMMER 3	10:55-11:45 am	\$47.00
SWIMMER 4	1:05-1:55 pm	\$52.00
SWIMMER 5	1:05-1:55 pm	\$52.00
SWIMMER 6	1:05-1:55 pm	\$52.00
ROOKIE PATROL	2:00-3:00 pm	\$62.00
RANGER PATROL	2:00-3:00 pm	\$62.00
STAR PATROL	2:00-3:00 pm	\$62.00

SESSION 1: July 8-12
SESSION 2: July 22-26
SESSION 3: July 29 - Aug. 2
SESSION 4: Aug. 12-16