Bears Newsletter

March 14, 2024

Burton Elementary School

Volume 7

Happy March, Bears!

Welcome to the March edition of our newsletter! As we begin to wake up and stretch after winter hibernation, I want to take a moment to reflect on the journey we've shared so far this school year and express my gratitude for our staff, students and your ongoing support and dedication to our Bears' Den. We are approaching the much-anticipated Spring Break, and we hope you all take the time to rest and relax. The break is an excellent chance for renewal and connection and for us to recharge our batteries.

This month, we had many enriching experiences in the Bears' Den for our students, aimed at nurturing their curiosity, creativity, and academic excellence. From Metis artist Patrick Alexandre to our field trip to join Edgewood, each day presents an opportunity for our students to expand their horizons and discover the joy of learning.

It's that time of year again – March learning updates are here! As we reflect on our student's progress and achievements, we are filled with pride and gratitude for their hard work and dedication. Your child's accomplishments are a testament to their resilience and the work of our fantastic team at BES. We encourage you to take the time to review your child's report card together, celebrating their accomplishments and discussing any areas where they may need additional support or encouragement.

We bid farewell to Mr. J with mixed emotions as his family embarks on a new chapter. Mr. J. has been an invaluable member of our teaching team, bringing his passion, engaging lessons, and creativity to the classroom every day. We look forward to welcoming him back. During his absence, our dedicated team, now including The Wonderful Mrs. Jackson, will continue to provide quality education and support to our students.

As partners in your child's education, I encourage you to continue to engage in their learning journey. Your involvement plays a crucial role in their success and well-being, whether through conversations about their day, participation in school events, or support with homework.

Wishing you all a safe, joyful, and rejuvenating Spring Break

Warm regards,

Brent Cook



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Librarian

Susan Bampton

Strongstart/Seamless Day After-school

Lora Mae Swanson

<u>Custodian</u> <u>Bus Driver</u>

Brandi Mighton Theresa Wanstall

Please
remember to
notify the office
when your
child(ren) will be
absent from
school



UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Mar 14th: Report cards go home

Last day of intermediate basketball club

Mar 18th-Apr 1st: Spring Break: School closed

Mar 29th: Good Friday

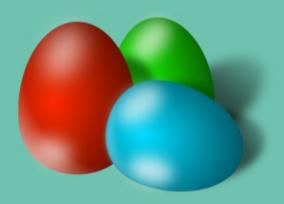


April 1st: Easter Monday: Happy Easter! No School

April 2nd: School back in-session

April 5th: Switch week: School in-session

** Only 1 more Friday session after this!



Hot Lunch/Breakfast Menu

Week of:	Tuesday- Hot Lunch	Wednesday- Hot Breakfast	Thursday- Hot Lunch
March 11 th :	At EES	French Toast Casserole	Chili
April 1st:	Hotdog Day	Baked Oatmeal	Pancakes & Smoothies
April 8 th :	Chicken Caesar Wraps	Sausage & Eggs	Tator Tacos
April 15:	Chicken Burgers	Pancakes & Smoothies	Corn Dogs

Seamless Day After School Care



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Come have fun with Ms. Lora Mae during our after-school care program at BES. It runs Monday-Thursday from 3:30pm-5:30pm. Registration is now open to all BES students from K-7. Full-time and part-time spots are available. \$15/day.

Please contact the office or Lora Mae directly to register.



Community News



Burton Spring 2024 Program

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Young Explorers		Friday Stories		Wild Fridays		Pro D Day Bushcraft Camps		
for Kindergarten – Grade 3		for Kindergar	ten – Grade 3	for Gra	des 4-7	for ages 8 and up		
Tuesdays after school 3:30pm-5:30pm (2 hours)		On school-free Frida (not including ProD D 9am – 12pm (3 hours	ays & March Break)	On school-free Frida (not including ProD I 1pm-4pm (3 hours)	rys Oays & March Break)	Introduction to Knife Skills and Fire Starting February 16, 10am – 2pm (4 hours) \$60 per student (incl. tool use)		
Content*: - Stories & songs - Unstructured themed play - Cooperative games - Nature Art - Bushcraft skills - Science learning - Nature walks - Reflections & circle time *topics will depend on students' interests		Content*: - Stories & songs - Unstructured themed play - Cooperative games - Nature Art - Bushcraft skills - Science learning - Nature walks - Reflections & circle time *topics will depend on students' interests		- Themed exp - Strategy gar - Nature art - Wilderness - Scientific inc - Nature walk - Reflections	nes skills quiry	Introduction to Compass Use and Map Reading April 19, 10am – 4pm (6 hours) \$90 (per student (incl. tool use) Max. 10 students		
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\$205 per student	\$173 per student		nts per session	\$245 per student	\$243 per student	can sign up for each session independently.		
March Break Camp Ages 6-12		Monday, March 18 – Thursday, March 21 10am – 2pm (4 hours per day) \$215 per student Theme to be determined based on enrollment Max. 20 students						



School District 10 (Arrow Lakes)

2023-2024 School Calendar 4 Day Week

Weekends
Statutory Holidays
School Vacation Periods
School NI/Pro-D Days
Administration Day



September 5, 2023	School Opens			
September 22, 2023	School Based Pro D Day			
September 30, 2023	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Stat on Oct 2,2023)			
October 9, 2023	Thanksgiving Stat			
October 20, 2023	BCTF Provincial Pro D Day			
November 11, 2023	Remembrance Day (Stat on Nov 13, 2023)			
December 25, 2023	Winter Vacation			
January 5, 2024	Williel Vacation			
January 1, 2024	New Years Day			
January 8, 2024	School Opens			
January 26, 2024	District - ALTA Shared Pro D Day			
February 16, 2024	Regional Pro-D Day			
February 19, 2024	Family Day Stat			
March 18, 2024	Spring Vacation			
March 28, 2024	Spring Vacation			
March 29, 2024	Good Friday Stat			
April 1, 2024	Easter Monday Stat			
April 19, 2024	School Based Pro D Day			
May 17, 2024	School Based Pro D Day			
May 20, 2024	Victoria Day Stat			
June 28, 2024	Administrative Day - No School			
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	Non-Instructional Days 6			
	Administrative Day 1			
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