



BLACKIE BARK

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Dear Blackie Families,

Well, March certainly came in like a lion! I wonder if the saying will be true for going out like a lamb, as we head into Easter Break. February flew by, I hope you and your families had a lovely and restful break mid month. At the end of February, we had a great afternoon recognizing Pink Shirt Day and working together in cross-grade groupings enjoying many different and fun activities put together by Mrs. Elliott. The Library Trunks made their first trips home this month, and students and families alike seem to be really enjoying them.

March sees us swimming every Tuesday morning at the Okotoks Recreation Centre. Thank you for getting all the swim forms in, and sending the kids ready to go. Swimming tends to make people extra hungry, so helping your child pack an extra snack that will help fill them up would be a great help.

Some highlights from the past month

- February break
- Pink Shirt Day recognized on February 27
- Learner Profiles went home digitally. If you have not been able to access your child's Learner Profile, please reach out to Ms. Wight at the office.

Some reminders

- **We are into registration for next year! If you have a child who is ready for Kindergarten or Junior Kindergarten, please connect with Ms. Wight and/or register online [here!](#)**
- If your child will not be attending Blackie School next year, please let Ms. Wight know so we can ensure we have the correct numbers as we start planning for the 2024-2025 school year.
 - **Mar 12, 19, 26 - Swimming at the Okotoks Rec Center**
 - **Mar 8 - Dress like a celebrity day**
 - **Mar 8 - Parent Advisory and Funding Association meeting at 9am. Everyone is welcome.**
 - **Mar 11-14 - Guest Teacher Appreciation Week**
 - **Mar 14 - AHS Parents and Caregivers Learning Series session 6:30-8:30pm. The focus is Mental Health & Anxiety (Grades 7-12). [Presentation link](#)**
 - **Mar 15 - PD Day - No School**
 - **Mar 19 - School Council meeting at 6:30pm. Babysitting provided**
 - **Mar 21 - Rocks and Rings - curling sessions (K-8)**
 - **Mar 22 - Dress to impress day**
 - **Mar 22 - Gr. 6 vaccinations Round#2**
 - **Mar 25 - Regional Band**
 - **Mar 28 - Easter Egg Hunt**
 - **Mar 29-Apr 5 - Easter Break - No School**

It truly is my joy and pleasure to be principal of this amazing school, Should you have any questions or concerns, please reach out.

Yours in Learning

Faye Holt



News/Updates from School Council and Parents Fundraising Association

Did you know we have two different Parent groups you can be part of at school? Our Blackie School Council meets one evening a month to discuss things happening around the school and receive updates from Mrs. Holt and John Evans (our School Trustee). Our Parent Funding Association meets once a month to discuss fundraising and plans ways to spend our school funds to enhance learning for all students.

Hot Lunch

The Blackie School Hot Lunch program would like to send a HUGE THANK YOU to Cargill Cares High River. They've donated a generous amount of ground beef so that we can bring affordable lunch options to all students and staff at Blackie School. Parents: The final hot lunch schedule for this school year will be posted on the site March 11th! We are excited to be able to offer taco in a bag once again!

Also THANK YOU to all the parent volunteers for your help making hot lunch a success! We have an extensive list of helpers that have made this program run smoothly. Click here to place your order: <https://blackie.hotlunches.net>. Please make sure your orders are complete at least one week prior to the hot lunch date. Orders unpaid will not be submitted for the following weeks hot lunch. We're no longer accepting cash or cheque, payments will be ONLINE ONLY, we appreciate your understanding. As always, please reach out to the hot lunch coordinator if you have questions or concerns:

BlackieSchoolLunch@gmail.com

March 19 - School Council Meeting at 6:30pm. Please join us for information about the happenings in and around the school. Everyone is welcome to attend, and babysitting is provided on site. Please email or call Ms. Wight if you would like babysitting for your child.

March 8 - 9am- Parent Fundraising Meeting at the school. Everyone is invited

Our Purdys Fundraiser is on now until March 8! Go get your Easter treats:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1716890-116859>

This year, our goal is to raise \$500.00 so we need your help—but don't worry, all the work you're doing is choosing which chocolates to order.

Stock up on beautiful Easter gift boxes, fun chocolate bunnies, Sweet Georgia Browns and more. All profits will go directly to Blackie School Funding Association. So satisfy those cravings, get all your Easter gift-shopping done while supporting a great cause.

The deadline to order is: [March 8, 2024](#)

What you need:

- o Campaign number: [67323](#)
- o Campaign link: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1716890-116859>

Once orders close, we'll notify everyone when and where you can collect your treats.

Please share with anyone you know who might be interested. It would help us so much.

Thank you!





PINK SHIRT DAY FUN!

