# THE MOUNTAINEER

Updates for the parents, guardians & students of Buck Mountain Central School



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### **MARCH**

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

As we move into March, I want to take a moment to recognize the incredible efforts of our students, staff, and families. This month is filled with important events, from Parent-Teacher Interviews to Graduation Planning, and I encourage everyone to stay engaged and involved. A special thank you to our substitute teachers for their dedication—we truly appreciate everything you do!

Let's continue working together to support our students and build a positive school community. As always, my door is open if you have any questions or concerns.

Looking forward to a great month ahead!

#### SUBSTITUTE TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK (MARCH 10-14)

This week, we recognize and appreciate our incredible substitute teachers! Their dedication and flexibility help keep our classrooms running smoothly. If you see a substitute teacher, take a moment to say thank you!

#### PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS - MARCH 18

Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place on **March 18**. This is a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their teachers. Please go to <a href="https://www.buckmountain.ca">www.buckmountain.ca</a> and select bookings to schedule a time to meet your child's teacher. Reach out to the office at 780-388-3900 for assistance booking your time slot.

#### PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - MARCH 18 AT 7 PM

Our next Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting will be held on March 18 at 7 PM. All parents and guardians are encouraged to attend to stay informed and get involved in school initiatives.

#### PARENT & STUDENT GRADUATION MEETING - MARCH 17 AT 5 PM

A Graduation Meeting for parents and graduating students will be held on March 17 at 5 PM. Important information regarding graduation requirements, events, and planning will be discussed. We encourage all families with graduating students to attend.

The student & parent committee planning the banquet will have a meeting at 5:30 after the school meeting.

#### STAFFING UPDATE

Mrs. Gordon's last day is this week before she takes her maternity leave. We wish her and her growing family all the best. Unfortunately, we have not been successful in filling this position. Until we are able to find a suitable replacement, other BMC staff members will be taking over her teaching load.

Thank you for staying engaged in our school community!

## **YOUR FEEDBACK MATTERS - ALBERTA ASSURANCE SURVEY**

Attention parents and quardians of Grade 7 and 10 students! Alberta Education is conducting its annual Assurance Survey, giving you the opportunity to share valuable feedback about your child's school experience.

A random access code has been emailed to you, allowing you to complete the survey online, as well as a paper copy of the information letter was sent home with your child. While participation is voluntary, your input is essential in shaping school improvement goals. In recent years, parent participation has been low, and we are striving to increase both the quantity and quality of feedback received.

Your voice matters! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey and help us continue improving education in our school and across Alberta.

Thank you for your support!

### **JUNIOR BASKETBALL SEASON WRAP-UP**

Our Junior Basketball Team wrapped up their season with a hard-fought battle in the bronze medal game but came up just short. It was a challenging season with a limited number of players, but the team showed incredible growth, resilience, and determination.

Despite the obstacles, our players excelled at teamwork and demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship throughout the season. The experience has been invaluable, and we are proud of their hard work and dedication. Congratulations to our athletes on a great season!

Looking forward to seeing what next year brings!



Thank you to all of the fans who showed up to games to support the team and to Miss Harden for dedicating her time and sharing her passion for the game with our players.



## **EASTER FOOD DRIVE - HELP THOSE IN NEED!**

This Easter, let's come together to support families in need. Donate non-perishable food items and help make the holiday brighter for those who need it most.

Pendryl Store is sponsoring our "Family of Schools" competition!

The school that brings in the most food items per student will win pizza! 🔻

As a thank-you, cinnamon buns will be made for every student at all 3 schools!

#### How You Can Help:

- Drop off donations at Buck Mountain from March 31st to April 11th.
- Volunteer to help with sorting and packing.

We are looking for the following items for the Easter Hampers:

- Coffee
- Tea
- 1 L Juice
- Peanut Butter
- Jam
- Pancake Mix (Add water only)
- Pancake Syrup
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Canned Soups
- Dry Soup
- Canned Meats
- Sugar
- Cake Mix
- Icing

Let's work together and make a difference this Easter! Thank you for your support!

## **ESPORTS TEAM UPDATE**

BMC's Esports Team is competing in the Scholastic League, with other schools all over the province - games take place on Mondays. The team is growing in skill and strategy, representing our school with dedication and sportsmanship.

We are currently exploring options to stream our BMC games, so stay tuned for updates! In the meantime, spectators are welcome to come and watch the matches live. Come cheer on our players as they take on the competition!

Thank you to Mr. Moore for getting the team up and running this year! 🌠 🎮

## **UPCOMING DATES**

March 12 - Oil Kings Hockey Hooky Event

March 13 - Spring Formal (see poster below)

March 14 - No School, PLC Day

March 18 - Parent Teacher Interviews (4-7 P.M.)

March 18 - Parent Advisory Committee Meeting (7 P.M.) - In person and online

March 19 - Hockey Hooky for Ben, Winfield

March 24 - 28 - No School, Spring Break





Spring Formal Dance 13 MARCH 2025

7:00 - 10:00 PM



FEATURING DJ MIKE TOMAS

PRE-SALE TICKETS MARCH 3RD - 13TH 2025

\$8.00

\$12.00 AT THE DOOR

Cash Concession

GUEST REQUESTS TO BE MADE IN THE OFFICE BY MONDAY, MARCH 10TH, 2025