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THE MOUNTAINEER ***

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



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Spring has sprung! Trees are budding, grass is growing, and beyond likely having a few more overnight snowfalls it is the time of year that we get to enjoy new life and new energy all around us. Life at BMC is no exception.

We have a busy two months ahead. BMC's Convocation Ceremony will be on May 30th, with a list of eligible students determined in the next few days. I will be personally meeting with any student and parents who may be ineligible for convocation. I met with students on April 15th to discuss speakers for our ceremony and to complete some information for the yearbook. Please reach out to me with any questions. Our parent group is also hosting a banquet for students and families following the ceremony. If you need any more information on this, please reach out and I will connect you with the best person to answer your questions.

As we plan for convocation, we are also planning for students to transition into the next year of their education. In the coming weeks students will be required to select courses for next year. Parents will also have access to see what students have selected and to make any changes, through the PowerSchool Parent/Student Portal. Stay tuned as more information about this comes out via our website, social media, and email communication.

Lastly, please note that WRPS Summer School registration is now open and closes on May 30th, 2025. All students grades 9 - 11 will have a presentation with regard to available courses and given information on how to register from the Principal of WRPS Summer School, Dr. Humby. Please visit the website for more details or reach out to myself or Dr. Humby with your questions.

Thank you to all students, community members, and staff for their continued dedication in supporting BMC students to realize their goals.

QUARTER 3 REPORT CARDS NOW AVAILABLE!

We are excited to announce that Quarter 3 report cards are now ready to be generated! Parents and students can view the report card, including teacher comments and a snapshot of academic progress, through the PowerSchool portal.

While the PowerSchool app offers access to grades, we strongly recommend logging into the online portal to generate a comprehensive report. This will capture your student's progress for all Semester 1 and Quarter 3 courses, including any year-long classes. A gentle reminder to restore your date settings in the app to be Y1 or S2 after you view grades and comments from Quarter 3; this way you will see cumulative grades in the courses whether they are yearlong, semestered, or quartered courses.

For a closer look at how individual assessments contribute to your child's grade, click directly on the grade in the Grades section to view detailed information.

If you need assistance accessing your report or have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out via phone or email. We're here to help!

BMC COMMUNITY RALLIES TO RAISE OVER \$8,000 For the stollery children's hospital foundation

We are thrilled to share an incredible milestone reached by our BMC community! Through the energy, generosity, and teamwork of our students and staff, this year's Wake-a-Thon raised an outstanding <u>\$8,392</u> in support of the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation.

With a record-breaking 84 students participating—alongside our dedicated team of staff supervisors—this year's event was our biggest and most spirited yet. Participants stayed awake all night, engaging in games, challenges, and team-building activities, all while rallying behind a cause close to many of our hearts.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to every student who fundraised, every donor who gave generously, and every staff member who volunteered their time to make the night safe, fun, and meaningful. Your efforts truly made a difference.

Thank you the BMC Parents' Association for donating the cost of feeding the very hungry (and tired) students and staff during their time at the Wake-a-Thon!

Once again, BMC proves what's possible when a community comes together with heart.

Way to go, BMC!

WHY REGULAR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MATTERS -A MESSAGE TO OUR BMC FAMILIES

At BMC, we know that regular school attendance is key to student success—academically, socially, and emotionally. When students attend school consistently, they're more likely to stay on track with their learning, build strong peer connections, and develop positive habits that support long-term achievement. In fact, when we examine case studies involving students who did not meet the requirements for graduation, attendance is always a part of that story.

While we understand that occasional absences are sometimes unavoidable, it's important to monitor attendance closely. According to WRPS policy, if a student's attendance drops below 90% (or they are absent for more than 10% of school days), the school is required to follow up, and caregivers are provided written notification. We know that this follow up is key in supporting students in regular attendance at school.

Whether it's illness, appointments, or family circumstances, we ask that parents and guardians please keep us informed any time a student will be away. The easiest and most efficient way to notify the school is through SchoolMessenger, email, or calling the office directly.

Every day in school counts. Let's work together to ensure all students have the opportunity to thrive by making attendance a top priority.

2024-2025 SCHOOL FEE REMINDER

As we enter Quarter 4, most school fees should now be finalized.

Fees can be paid online using Visa, Visa Debit, Mastercard, or Mastercard Debit through the "School Fees & Forms" section of the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Payments are also accepted at the school office via debit, credit, cash, or cheque.

Please note that account balances may change throughout the year due to course changes, extracurricular activities, or school events. Monthly statements are sent to accounts with outstanding balances.

If you need help with your PowerSchool login, do not yet have an account set up, or have any questions regarding school fees, please contact us at bm@wrps11.ca.

2025-2026 SCHOOL REGISTRATION REMINDER - IF YOU HAVEN'T COMPLETED IT YET!

It's time to complete your child's school registration for the 2025-2026 school year — if you haven't done so already, please take a few minutes to complete it now!

To fill out the form:

- 1. Log into your PowerSchool account at https://www.buckmountain.ca/powerschool.
- 2. Scroll to the bottom and click SchoolEngage on the left-hand side.
- 3. A new tab will open look for "Incomplete Re-enrollment Form 2025-2026".
- 4. Click on the form and review each page, updating any necessary information.
- 5. On the final page, type your name in the signature box and hit Submit.

Need help or have questions?

- Call us at 780-388-3900
- Or stop by the school Chromebooks are available for you to use!

CALAHOO MEATS FUNDRAISER

Sales Period: April 14th – April 25th, 2025 Delivery to School: May 12th, 2025

Support our students while stocking up on delicious local meats! Proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly toward our Literacy & Awards Program, supporting:

- Novel Study Books
- New Library Titles
- Mustang of the Month Book Prizes
- Student Achievement & Graduation Awards

Important Information: No orders will be accepted after April 25th, 2025. All orders must be picked up by 4:00 p.m. on May 12th &/or arrange an alternate pickup plan before the delivery date.

Payment Options: Cash, Cheque (payable to Buck Mountain Central School), Debit or Credit.

Order forms in the office or attached below. Thank you for supporting our students and school community!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: AG SOCIETY MOTHER'S/FATHER'S DAY BREAKFASTS

We're looking for 5–6 student volunteers to help out at two upcoming community breakfasts hosted by the AG Society:

Mother's Day Breakfast – Sunday, May 11th Father's Day Breakfast – Sunday, June 15th

Volunteers will assist with cleanup and general support during the events. This is a great way to earn volunteer hours and give back to the community!

Sign up in the school office by Monday, April 28th. Thanks for supporting our community!

UPCOMING DATES

April 25 - Calahoo Meats Fundraiser Orders Due

- April 25 Summer School Presentation (9:00 a.m.)
- April 25 Decade Day Dress to Impress
- April 29 Cinnamon Bun Delivery!



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Meats Ltd.

Calahoo Participant's Order Form

When complete, give a copy to your fundraising coordinator.

Customer Name:

Phone # _____ Address:

1-800-567-8371 www.calahoomeats.ca

Organization:

Make payment puyble to above Seller's Name:			Phone #			
DESCRIPTION	Brand	ITEM #	Price	QTY	TOTAL	
Royal Burgers (4oz) 24/cs (6lb box)	Calahoo	0200510	\$ 42.00			
Chuck Burger (4oz) 24/cs (6lb box)*	Calahoo	0200511	\$ 50.00			
Lean Ground Beef 6x1lb*	Calahoo	0200610	\$ 45.00			
Ribeye Steaks (8oz) 10/cs (5lb box)*	Calahoo	0250210	\$ 95.00			
New York Steaks (8oz) 10/cs (5lb box)*	Calahoo	0250340	\$ 85.00			
Top Sirloin Steaks (8oz) 10/cs (5lb box)*	Calahoo	0250510	\$ 75.00			
Beef Jerky - "Alberta's Best" 220g *	Calahoo	0650900	\$ 23.00			
Pepperoni Sticks 200g *	Calahoo	0753112x	\$ 9.00			
Garlic Sausage 400g *	Calahoo	0753100x	\$ 12.00			
Ham Sausage 400g *	Calahoo	0753105x	\$ 12.00			
Sliced Bacon (2x1kg pkgs.) *	Capital	0551632	\$ 53.00			
Wieners 6" 5cnt (5lbs box)*	Olympic	0200612	\$ 40.00			
Breakfast Sausage ~60/cs (5lb box)	Calahoo	0300921	\$ 35.00			
Salmon Portion 5oz (5lb box)*	Highliner	1103389	\$ 55.00			
Pork Chops (5lb box)*	Calahoo	0500110	\$ 39.00			
Boneless Chicken Breast 6-8oz 4kg *	Calahoo	0902694	\$ 47.00			
Original Smokies 5lb	Calahoo	0802210	\$ 33.00			
Calahoo Chicken Fingers 4kg	Calahoo	0985880	\$ 60.00			
Chicken Cordon Swiss (5oz) 12/cs	Schneiders	0952860	\$ 45.00			
Pork Back Ribs w/Sauce 6 x 500g (F/C)	ICP	0501301	\$ 60.00			
Meatballs 0.5oz All Beef 1.8kg/cs (F/C)	Select	993551	\$ 35.00			
Mini Perogies Cheddar 36/bg (10bg/box)	Cheemo	1253613	\$ 33.00			
Breaded Dry Garlic Ribs (2kg box)	Calahoo	0501363	\$ 38.00			
Ginger Beef 3bg/cs	Select	0351100	\$ 37.00			
Bacon Egg & Cheese Muffins 12x102g	Jimmy Dean	487975	\$ 33.00			
Sausage Egg & Cheese Muffin 12x142g	Jimmy Dean	487934	\$ 33.00			
Chocolate Chunk Cookies 72 x 1.32oz	English Bay	1554415	\$ 41.00			
White Chocolate Macadamia Nut 72 x 1.32	English Bay	1554426	\$ 50.00			
Oatmeal Raisin Cookies 72x1.32oz	English Bay	1554423	\$ 41.00			
BBQ Package ~16lb Assorted Meats	Calahoo	0752090	\$ 95.00			

* No Gluten Added

Total Items Total Price