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**March
 2011**

**High School
 CONNECTIONS PROGRAM**

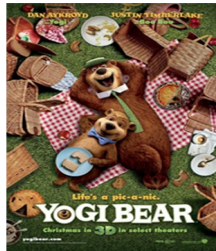
During the week of March 14-18 several Bassano High School Students will be participating in this leadership program at Kamp Kiwanis in Calgary.

The goal of the CONNECTIONS program is to provide high school students with an immersion opportunity that helps to create a stronger understanding of the diverse nature of our schools and society.

**Music Festival
 March 23-24**

Once again we are sending our 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12 choirs to music festival. In addition, several of our students will be competing individually as well. Good Luck to all and thank you to Mrs. Medeiros, Mrs. Follis, Mrs. Holt and Miss Harshenin.

**Movie Day in Bassano-March 18th
 at Bassano Community Hall**



YOGI BEAR AT 3:30 p.m.
 COMEDY, ANIMATED, CHILDREN



GULLIVER'S TRAVELS AT 7:00 pm
 COMEDY

Youth \$2 Adults \$5 Families \$10

**Elementary & Jr./Sr. High
 SRC Activities**

- March 9th iPod & Stuffy- Gr. 1-6
- March 17th Wear Green Day- Gr. K-6
- March 17th Hush Day- Gr. 7-12
- March 22nd Elementary Awards Assembly at 1:00 p.m.
- March 24th Lee and Sandy Concert- K-3 at 1:00 p.m.
- March 30th Importance of Food & Farming- Gr. 1-5 at 1:00 p.m.

Badminton

We are now starting badminton for boys and girls in grades 7-12. See Mr. Hodgson for sign up. Mr. Peel and Mrs. Armstrong (Gr. 7/8) and Mr. Singular (Gr. 9-12) will be the coaches this year.

Lieu Day March 25

There will be no school for students/staff, as teachers have completed further professional development through after-school workshops.

Canteen Specials \$4.00

Mar. 10th	French Toast & Sau sages
Mar. 17th	Fry Bread Taco
Mar. 24th	Chicken Quesadilla
Mar. 31st	Beef Dip

Take your Newsletters home. Congratulations to **Emily Gallegos** for winning our monthly newsletter draw and thank you to **Rosie's** for providing the generous donation.



BOARD BITS for MARCH

Did you know??.....

Grasslands Public Schools operates thirteen schools (six schools within the City of Brooks and seven rural schools). Grasslands Public Schools also has seven Hutterite Colony Schools.

Grasslands Public Schools are educating 3,445 students in this 2010/2011 school year. Our jurisdiction has 227 teachers and 303 support staff.

Grasslands Public Schools owns and maintains a fleet of 56 buses which transport 1,717 students approximately 970,000 kilometers a year.

Grasslands operates with a budget of approximately \$40 million. About 90% of our operating budget comes from Alberta Education. Salaries and benefits account for approximately 75% of our expenses.

Approximately 77% of the boards operating expenditures relate directly to student instruction, the remainder goes to other departments within the division such as transportation, maintenance and caretaking, technology and division administration.

Grasslands adopted our new motto in 2009 - *Learning.....Achieving....Succeeding*

Parent Council Meeting

Monday, March 14th at 7:00 p.m. We welcome parents and community members to attend.

Grad/Scholarship Meeting

Parents/graduates are encouraged to attend a meeting on Tuesday, March 22 at 7PM

Provincial Curling

Congratulations to Josh Steinbach, Robert Helmle, Brody Burns, Cody Peters, Austin Toly and coach Holmes who earned their place to compete in the Provincials on March 4-5 in Lloydminster.

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Return this slip signed by your parent/guardian, and you may be the lucky winner of a \$20.00 gift certificate graciously donated by Harry's, a proud business partner of Bassano School and our March Sponsor of our monthly newsletter.

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Student Name