

BARRHEAD COMPOSITE *January* NEWSLETTER

Senior High Final Exam Schedule

In addition to the Diploma Exam Schedule that is printed on the calendar, parents are reminded that final school based exams at the High School level are scheduled for the following days:
 Block 1 Classes January 21, Thursday
 Block 2 Classes January 22, Friday
 Block 4 Classes January 25, Monday
 Block 5 Classes January 26, Tuesday
 Exam Make-up Days January 27 and 28, Wednesday and Thursday
 Please note that the last day of regular scheduled classes for grades 10, 11 and 12 is January 20, Wednesday. School based high school final marks will be available February 1st on the PowerSchool website. Semester One Final Report cards will be given to the senior high students during the first week of February.

Diploma Exam Tutorials...

Diplomax Diploma Exam Tutorial Courses are offered in Edmonton in January and June. The tutorials are designed to take students through a focused review of all important aspects of course content and provide effective strategies to maximize success on diploma exams. All classes are at the University of Alberta. Call 780-448-0631 or toll free at 1-888-762-6908.

Senior High Timetables... Changing Courses

Senior high students who wish to change their second semester timetable are requested to go to the office and make the changes before the end of the exam week. Senior High Semester Two begins February 1st, Day 2 on the schedule.

Band Boosters...

Please support the school band program. The BCHS Wind Ensemble will be conducting a bottle drive on January 9th and the Fruit Sales will begin at the end of January into the beginning of February.

Drama Club... Do Not Miss the Productions!!!

The junior high drama club is preparing for a major production, *The Seusification of Romeo and Juliet* (with green eggs and ham). Auditions are taking place during the first week of January and rehearsals will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please contact Mrs. Sutherland for further information.

The senior high drama club is conducting a dinner theatre on January 15, 16 and 17 (matinee) in the BCHS Centre Gym. The name of the production (it is a mystery) will be released at a press conference (within the school) - watch for the news release and call the school for tickets. Please contact Mr. Bonnema for further information.

Student Grad Committee... only 112 days until graduation day

After the final and diploma exams in January, the grade twelve students will begin to get organized for graduation. They will be establishing a student grad council which is responsible for organizing the ceremony section on graduation day. The students will receive the graduation handbook that outlines the events of the graduation day. If you have not received a handbook by the end of February please contact the office.

Parent Council...

The regular meeting of the parent council will be on January 26 at 4:45 in the school library. Information regarding the operation of the school will be given and a major discussion will take place regarding the useage of cell phones within the school. Do we need to change the cell phone policy? Should cell phones be banned? Please join us, enjoy the chat and sample the snacks provided by Mrs. Key's foods class.

Can You Hear Me Now?... Cell Phone Policy

Many of our students are bringing cell phones to school. We need you to know that inappropriate use of the text messaging option and disruptions to instructional time have necessitated that cell phone useage be restricted to non instructional areas and times. Also there is an issue with the taking of pictures and video without the participants' consent. Please talk to your son/daughter about the proper useage of a cell phone. The BCHS parent council will have a major discussion on this topic at the parent council meeting this month.

Volunteers... we need you

Thank you to all of our volunteers who have assisted our school, students and staff in many different ways and in various activities. We appreciate all of your support and the time and effort that you give us.

Questions????????

Call the school at 780-674-8522 if you have any questions about the school or if you would like an appointment with a member of the administration team or school teaching staff.

You Can Check!

You are able to access your child's attendance and assessment through the PowerSchool website (<http://powerschool.phrd.ab.ca>) and view the teacher pages on our school website (www.barrheadcomposite.ca). In the last month there have been 348 logins by parents to the PowerSchool website. Please call the school if you have questions on accessing these sites.



Check out the school website:

www.barrheadcomposite.ca

BARRHEAD COMPOSITE JANUARY CALENDAR ... 2010

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