

Newsletter



**Bradner
Elementary School**

January 2026

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Principal: Kam Sidhu • Administrative Assistant: Christine Ens



Principal's Message

To our Bradner students and families,

Wishing everyone a happy New Year. May the blessings of peace, the beauty of hope, the spirit of love and the comfort of family and friends be the gifts that you receive moving into 2026. I hope you had a wonderful time connecting with your loved ones over the break.

December was filled with many exciting events, and we are grateful to the many hands that helped support the success of these events.

A big thank you to our PAC and families who participated in helping with the pancake breakfast, organizing pictures with Santa, the bake sale, staff dinner, and supporting with the Christmas Concert stage set-up, and take down. These events were a success thanks to the many helping hands. A special thank you to Jocelyn Radom for volunteering her time to support classes with music for the Christmas concert and playing the piano for the concert.

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year!

With gratitude,

Kam Sidhu

January Events

Jan.13

MDI for Grade 5's begin

Jan.14

Handball 3:45-4:45

Jan.16

Pizza Hot Lunch

PAC Mtg

December Bulldog Assembly

Lockdown Drill 2 of 2

Jan.17

Lunar New Year

Jan.19

Kindergarten Registration Begins

Black Excellence Day/ Black Shirt Day/ MLK Jr.

Day

Jan.21

Handball 3:45-4:45

Jan.23

Div.1 Entrepreneur Fair

Jan.28

Handball

Jan.30

PAC Gym Night

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Toy & Food Drive Update

A big thank you to families that were able to donate food or toys for the drive. We had an incredible amount of donations come in.

For every donation students brought in, they received an ornament to put on the bulletin board Christmas Tree. Congratulations to Division 1 who collectively brought in 171 items. Division 1 (Grade 4/5) will receive a pizza lunch for their collective efforts. Division 5 (Kindergartens) will also receive a class treat for their collective efforts. Div.5 had the highest percentage of ornaments on the tree based on class size. Congratulations Kindergartens!

Bradner Spirit Wear

If you ordered Bradner spirit wear, it will be distributed in January. Please be sure to write student names on the tags, so they don't get mixed up! Thanks!



Martin Luther King Jr. Day & Black Excellence Day

This month, we honor two important observances that celebrate equality, justice, and the achievements of Black communities. Martin Luther King Jr. Day reminds us of Dr. King's enduring legacy of courage and his vision for a world where everyone is treated with dignity and respect. Black Excellence Day is a time to recognize and celebrate the contributions, creativity, and leadership of Black individuals in our society.

In honor of these important observances, we encourage students to wear black shirts on Jan. 19. Let's take this opportunity to learn, reflect, and engage in conversations that promote inclusion and understanding. Together, we can continue building a culture where every voice matters and every student feels valued.

Brader House Teams

Eagles (Yellow)

Buffalo (Red)

Bears (Black)

Wolves (Grey)

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that."

- Martin Luther King Jr.

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PAC Treat Days & Hot Lunch Days

January 16 -Hot Lunch Pizza Day



PAC FUNdraisers!

Craft Club

After-school craft club will begin again in January. Please keep an eye out for notices.

Family Fun

Bring your family and join in on some New Year's Resolutions!

Save the Date for Jan.30
Family Gym Night

Hot Lunches

Please keep an eye out for information re: hot lunch.

Info coming soon.
The next hot lunch will be on Fri., Jan. 16

Parent Advisory Council

Our PAC is an integral part of our school community. Parents are partners in education, and we value your feedback and support for school activities. PAC works with the school to set goals, fundraise and assist with financing materials and activities for students.

PAC Committee 2025-26

President:

Jocelyn Radom

Vice President:

TBD

Treasurer:

Ravina Gill

Secretary:

Erica Wall

Volunteer Co-ordinator:

Megan Howarth

Hot Lunch Co-ordinator:

Carly Howes & Christine Toews

DPAC Representative:

Melissa Crump

May Day:

TBD



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Student & Family Supports

Family Supports:

We understand that over the past few years, many families have faced a number of challenges, struggling financially with work closures, child care costs, environmental factors etc.

If your family requires any additional supports from our school community, such as food security for your child(ren), or additional time or support to pay for supplies, hot lunch days, or special events, please do not hesitate to contact the office. This information is kept completely confidential.

For hot lunch orders we can extend the date for hot lunch payment for families who require additional time to purchase, as well as split up the costs so that you may pay for one lunch at a time, versus all at once. Please inform the office if this applies to you. Once again, this information is completely confidential.

Food Security Programs

The following programs are available to families who need additional supports:

Feeding Futures Program

Feeding Futures program provides food security for students who come from homes where families require support to feed students during school hours. If you feel that your child(ren) qualify to be placed in the feeding futures program, please contact the school office. This information will remain confidential.

Starfish Back Pack Program

The program is organized by Archway Food Bank with the coordination of many community partnerships. The purpose of the program is to support families in need with food on weekends. Each student is given a pack with basic groceries (ex. cereal, soups, rice, bread, tuna, snacks, and a few fresh fruits and a vegetable), that is prepared and delivered to our school by a group of volunteers.

