

WEST BEDFORD



ELEMENTARY

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Hello WBS Families!

Day 1 is in the books for our second year! Thank you for your patience this morning as we ensured students were in the correct classes. As mentioned in previous messages, with the changes in our staffing, we required class reconfigurations and PowerSchool has not yet reflected these changes.

Class Configuration:

Please note that our class lists are set. Class change requests are not possible at this time due to our class numbers.

If you feel your child would benefit from support around big emotions, feeling anxious, or nervous about how to make new friends, please reach out to our wonderful school counselling team. Their emails can be found on our website.

Some things we noticed from Day 1:

Morning Drop off and Afternoon Pick up

Lower Parking Lot- The lower parking lot is staff parking ONLY for West Bedford School and West Bedford High. ***There is no parking available for families.***

Morning ONLY- In the mornings there is a “kiss and go loop” in the lower parking lot where cars can form a line and pull up to the sidewalk, let your child get out and then drive out of the parking lot. There is NO parking in the loop! Your child must be independent in getting out of the car themselves. This needs to be quick!

Afternoon Pick up- There is NO Kiss and Go Loop option

For Primary to Grade 2 families- Students need to be escorted to their entry doors and picked up at the end of the day from these doors. This requires families to park off school property. There is parking on Broad St, Farrington Way, and Gary Martin.

Pre-Primary Families will have received a purple parking pass today. This pass **MUST** be shown when entering the driveway by our main doors. Please do not use this driveway if you are not a Pre-Primary family. Pre-Primary students can be dropped off at 8:15 am.

Driveway around to the back of school- Some cars went to the back of our school today. Please note that this driveway is open to **staff only**. No family vehicles should be going back there. There is no student supervision back there.

- If your child is eligible to ride a school bus, please use this option.
- If your child can walk to school, ride a bike or scooter, please use this option.

We ask that all families follow these expectations, as the safety of our students is paramount. We cannot keep our kids safe if we don't all do our part!

Lunch Time

- Please pack a lunch for your child or place an order with the cafeteria. The free lunch program does not begin until mid to late October. We had several students with no lunch today.

One change to our lunch times:

| | Cafeteria Eating | Outside |
|------------------------|--|----------------|
| 11:00-11:30 am | Gr. 5-6 | 3-4 |
| 11:30-11:55 am | Gr. 3-4 | 5-6 |
| *11:55-12:20 pm | Primary- eating in Classrooms/ Gr.1, Gr. 2 in cafeteria | |
| *12:20-12:45 pm | Primary, Gr. 1, Gr. 2 | |

Thank you for you support as we opened year 2 with our new modulars! 😊

Warm regards,

Susan Casey

Principal