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Hello WBS Families,

Please visit our school site <u>WBS website</u> for the latest news from the school and the HRCE. Our weekly memos can also be found on our school site. Have a wonderful week!

1. Student Ambassador Event: Our cereal drive finished up on Friday. There was a school challenge to see which P-3 class and Gr. 4-6 class brought in the most donations. The winners at each level will win a pizza party. We will be announcing the winners this week.

2. Home & School Association (HSA):

- Thank you to all our families who purchased shoe charms. The shoe charms should be arriving at the school mid-November.
- We also had a great turnout for our first ever Family BINGO night. Thank you to all our families and students who were able to come out to play. The BINGO winners received a \$15.00 Scholastic Book Fair certificate. The Scholastic book fair will be happening the week of December 9 to December 13.

a. Pizza Fundraiser through Dominoes- October 30th, 2024- this is through Dominoes Pizza outlets.



- 3. WBS School Advisory Council- The WBS School Advisory Council has two Community Member positions open for this school year. If you know someone who does not have a child at WBS and lives or works in the West Bedford community, please share this opportunity. Anyone interested can reach out to Susan Casey, Principal scasey@hrce.ca
- **4. WBH School Advisory Council** The West Bedford High has 4 community members open, 2 from the West Bedford Area and 2 from the Hammonds Plains area. If you do not have a child at WBH, and would like to be involved with the SAC, please reach out to Sean MacDonald, Principal MacDonaldS@hrce.ca
- 5. NS School Lunch Program- The lunch program begins at WBS October 28th. Students who are on the first lunch will line up at the cafeteria window and collect their lunch from the cafeteria staff. For students on the second lunch, students will be able to pick up their lunch order in grab and go containers in the cafeteria. These will be organized by classroom teacher and Admin staff will be on hand to support students. We recognize that there may be bumps over the next week as we determine the most effective procedures to ensure students receive their lunch order. Please have patience and kindness towards WBS staff as we work through this new lunch program.

White milk will continue to be sold to students at \$0.40. We are working with the service provider to determine how families can purchase milk. For the time being, if your child would like to purchase milk, please send them with \$0.40 or small change.

- **6. Bedford Lions Club and WBS/WBH Fundraising Partnership** We have partnered with the Bedford Lions Club to fundraise for a score clock in the WBS gym. This gym is used by students from PP-11 throughout each day.
 - a. Online Auction- we are accepting auction items November 4 to 6 throughout the school day. The monies raised from the WBS/WBH items sold on the online auction hosted by the Bedford Lions Club will be put towards the score clock.
 - b. Bedford Lions Club Pancake Breakfast- On November 10th the Bedford Lions Club will be hosting a pancake breakfast. All monies raised will go towards the score clock.
- 7. WBS/WBH Emergency Vehicle Loop- The loop in front of the WBS Blue main doors is open for parking for anyone with an accessible parking pass. There are pylons stationed at the opening of the loop to be a visual reminder to cars that they should not be entering the area, but there is an opening for a vehicle to pass through to allow for parking in an available accessible parking spot. We need the community's support as this loop is a play area for students in Primary to Grade 6 and Grades 7-9 during outdoor times. We ask that vehicles NOT go in the emergency vehicle loop during the school day (unless parking in an accessible spot) so that our students can safely play. We ask that ONLY those vehicles with accessible parking passes use the parking spots. Parking in these spots without an accessible parking pass could result in a parking ticket.
- **8. Safe Arrival Number:** If your child is going to be absent for the any part of the school day or arrive late, please call **Safe Arrival: 1-833-582-6940**. Please note if your child will be late arriving to school you must select that they will be absent for the day. When they arrive our admin team will update their attendance.