

WEST BEDFORD



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Monday, June 22, 2026

Dear WBS Families,

This is final full week of school for 2025-2026 school year. As we wrap up this year I would like to express my gratitude to our students, families, and staff for making this year a great one!

Quick reminders:

- If you know that your child will not be at school on June 26th, 2026, or June 30th, 2026, please ensure you remind them to bring home their schools supplies on their last day. Most classes will be sending school supplies home with students on Friday, June 26th, 2026.
- Final report cards will be emailed out through EduPost by the end of the day on June 30, 2026.

Finally, on behalf of the staff and admin team at WBS, we would like to wish all of our WBS WOLVES a safe and happy summer- we look forward to welcoming you back on September 3, 2026!

Warm regards,
Susan Casey
Principal

Last Day of School Information- June 30, 2026

• **Dismissal for students will be 4 hours earlier than the regular schedule- This means that dismissal for WBS is at 10:15 am.**

• Bused students will arrive 4 hours earlier at their afternoon stop. Families should make arrangements to meet their Primary to Grade 2 children at the bus stop.

- E.g., If a student has a regular bus drop-off time of 2:30 p.m., then the student's drop-

off time for the last day of school is 10:30 a.m.

- BusPlanner will be updated the night of **June 26, 2026**, to reflect the busing times for the last day of school.
- Communication about early dismissal on the last day of school will be sent to families on June 26 via SchoolMessenger.
- BusPlanner will send a reminder to all bused families on the morning of June 30.

Grade 6 Closing Ceremony

There will be a Grade 6 closing ceremony on Thursday, June 25, 2026 from 9 am to 11 am. Immediate family members are invited to attend. The doors will open at 8:45 am.

Please Park in the lower parking lot for this event. There are some accessible parking spots out front of the WBS blue main doors for those with an accessible pass.

The ceremony will involve the handing out of certificates to students in the gym and then inviting the students to the cafeteria for a cupcake. There will also be a photobooth set up in the cafeteria area for students to capture some moments. Thank you to our Home and School Association for partnering with the school to make this event happen!

News recap:

Leaving before June 30th?

If your family will be leaving WBS before June 30, 2026, please let us know by sending an email to your child's teacher and to our Administrative Assistant, Katelynn Armstrong, at KArmstrong@hrce.ca. This helps us ensure our records are up to date and supports a smooth transition.

Address Update- Have you moved or will be moving?

It is important that schools have current and up to date address information. Not updating your information could impact access to bussing.

Please update your address on HRCE website using the form available at: https://www.hrce.ca/form/registration_flow_2026

Check the box that says: No, I would like to update my address to get to the address change form.

2026-2027 Summer Transportation News:

Information about student transportation for the 2026-27 school year will be available to view online through the BusPlanner Parent Portal later in July.

Families eligible for transportation will receive an email to access the Parent Portal to view their child's bus information once it is available.

Once you receive the email, you must follow the instructions to activate your new Parent Portal account and create a password. Using previous Parent Portal login information will not work. If you can't find the email, please contact transportation@hrce.ca or 902-431-4723 for assistance.

Over the summer, the HRCE Student Transportation team will also reach out to new HRCE families and those families who may require special needs transportation for their children with more information about busing.

Reminder: The Student Transportation team is available to assist you and answer questions about busing all summer at transportation@hrce.ca or 902-431-4723. When contacting the team, please ensure you have your child's name, grade, school name and student ID number ready. Your child's student ID number can be found in PowerSchool or on the top of your child's report card.

June 2026

- **Thursday, June 25:** Grade 6 Closing Ceremony (9:00-11:00 AM; doors open at 8:45 AM).
- **Monday, June 29:** Assessment & Evaluation Day (**No school for students**).
- **Tuesday, June 30:** Last Day of School- **Dismissal for students will be at 10:15 am.**

**2026-2027- The first day of school for students is
Thursday, September 3, 2026!**