

## **February 9 Communication**

Dear Families,

We have some additional information we would like to share.

1. **The Masquerade Ball Semi - Formal** will take place on Thursday, February 12 from 7:30 - 9:30. Doors open at 7:15pm. This is our final high school dance for grades 9-12. Admission to the dance can be paid through school cash. Students wishing to sign in a friend from an outside school must have their forms in to the main office for approval no later than Tuesday, February 10.
2. West Bedford High is hosting its first annual **Amplify! Summit of the Bands** on February 19 - doors open at 6:30pm. The show starts at 7:00; \$10 admission at the door. Bands from the following schools will be performing: Dartmouth High, Woodlawn High, CPA, JL and our very own West Bedford High. Don't miss the opportunity to see our local talent before they're famous!
3. Did you miss out on this year's school **trip to France**? Don't worry!! Join us next year in 2027 as we do the Grand Tour of Italy!! The trip will take place from March 26 - April 4. For more information, contact Mrs. Trueman at [truemanm@hrce.ca](mailto:truemanm@hrce.ca)
4. Morning traffic flow has improved. We will continue to remind drivers to please drop off students along the curb after you make a left hand turn towards the parking lot. **Please do not make U-turns in the driveway.** We've had a number of "near-misses" as vehicles exiting the parking area are obstructed by drivers making U-turns.
5. **Student safety is a priority.** Lately we have had some students from other schools loitering in our building. WBH students are not to invite students from other schools to our school without a valid reason approved by the administration. We expect that if students are knowledgeable about non-WBH students/persons in our building, they will report that information to the administration or staff.
6. Teachers of students in grades 10-12 have reviewed the new **Requesting Extensions for Assessment Due Dates protocol.** Please take some time to review this document (attached) with your student so that expectations between home and school are clear.
7. Later this week, WBH staff and students will participate in a **Lockdown Drill.** Lockdown is a procedure used when there is an immediate threat to a school. The purpose of a Lockdown is to protect students and staff from potential harm by securing them in safe locations within the building. During a Lockdown, the following steps are taken:
  - Staff and students are made aware of the Lockdown.
  - Police and HRCE staff are contacted for support.
  - All classroom doors are locked and secured. Windows are covered, and lights are turned off.
  - Students and staff move to a pre-designated safe area within their classroom or other secure location. Everyone remains silent and out of sight, staying away from doors and windows. This is called positioned for safety.
  - No one is allowed to leave their secure location until the Lockdown is officially lifted by school administration at the advice of police.
  - The Lockdown procedure is designed to keep students and staff safe from any immediate danger until the threat is resolved. In the event of an incident involving an actual Lockdown, parents and guardians are reminded to wait for communication from the school or HRCE before going to the site.

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