

Update message, April 1, 2024

Dear WBH Wolves and families,

Please review the information below to help plan for the coming week and what is happening at West Bedford High.

We have another non-instructional day planned for tomorrow, April 2. This will allow students to get caught up prior to report card/parent teacher, complete assignments, prepare for upcoming assessments, get ahead, and/or have 1 on 1 or small group time with their teachers. Grade 9 will plan their day in first period and then go from class to class but be able to work on whatever they choose. Grade 10 will report to PBL 10 first period to plan their day and then have choice to work in the spaces they choose, see certain teachers, etc. Our last one will be June 4th. **This is a great opportunity to get caught up or get ahead, please chat with your child to use this time wisely. Thanks.**

1. **Preparing for the Solar Eclipse.** The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development is pleased to provide all students in Nova Scotia with eclipse glasses to view the upcoming solar eclipse safely.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the Earth and the sun, obscuring the view of the sun from a section of the Earth. This event is extremely rare, with the next solar eclipse not occurring in the province until 2079. Nova Scotia will be just outside of the zone of totality for the solar eclipse; for this reason, it is important that individuals have appropriate protection to view this historic event.

The solar eclipse will begin at 3:27 p.m., reaching maximum coverage at 4:38 p.m., and ending at 5:44 p.m. For more information, visit <https://thediscoverycentre.ca/solar-eclipse-solaire/>.

2. **Athletics Fundraiser. New April jackpot starting now and this month's draw is today.** We have joined the Sport Nova Scotia on a monthly online 50/50. All monies raised in the name of West Bedford will go to our sports teams next year. We will need to be purchasing new uniforms, with school logo and colors, for the next year. This is a great way to fundraise for all of our teams at West Bedford High school and for potential community members to win some cash.

<https://click.pstmrk.it/3s/www.rafflebox.ca%2Faffle%2Fsportns%2F3339/lydV/VxCOAQ/AQ/04c3884d-1129-446f-b301-9553039535b7/2/A9tXzdJCon>

3. **Grade 10 End of Month Check in.** Grade 10 students are again asked to get their end of the month check in for March filled out by this Thursday, March 28th. TA will be taking them in on Tuesday April 2, and sending emails home to any student with a mark below 65% in a course.
4. **Ordering food outside of lunch time.** We have been having some issues with students ordering food to the school outside of lunch hour. This is not permitted. Please talk to your children about orders being at lunch time only. Thanks.

5. **Football Fundraising.** We have surpassed the half-way mark in our fundraising for football. We are looking for community businesses to get involved in sponsoring or donating to get this program up and running next year. If you know of businesses that are interested in helping us please reach out. See below for more information.

Donations. We also have our donation link set up. If you donate \$25 or more you get a tax receipt. The link below is set up to make this an easy process to help West Bedford get this sport happening next year.

<https://hrce.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/4/319/false/true?school=723&initiative=12>

Sponsorship. If you have a company and are interested in getting some advertising please reach out to Blair Frost, our lead fundraiser, at frostfamily.blair@gmail.com to find out about our sponsorship packages.

6. **School Calendar and the weekly.** Please use the weekly for all upcoming events and dates, as listed below. The tentative calendar sent out at the beginning of the year had dates and times of some events that had to be decided in May of last year for school without having a staff, etc. The dates and events listed below will always be the most accurate. Thanks.
7. **Daily Announcements and other info.** Posted daily on our website. <https://wbh.hrce.ca/> . Also please check our Instagram account (wbh_hrce) for up to date information.

Important dates

April 2 Non-instructional day

April 11 SAC meeting

April 17 Mid year report cards go home

April 18 PD day (morning – no classes)

April 18 Parent teacher 1- 3pm and 5:00 -7:00

May 2 Grade 9 information session (current grade 8)

Sincerely,

WBH Admin Team