

WMEMS Bedson Parent Association

June 2020

PA Executive	PA Committee Coordinators	Hot Lunch Organizers
Chair: Christina Ulmer	Fundraising Coordinator: Vacant	Pizza Lunch: Jane Klassen
Vice Chair: Tara Roberts	Volunteer Coordinator: Tara Roberts	Subway Lunch: Hilda Wiebe
Treasurer: Ron Hempel	Events Coordinator: Diana Stahl	Boston Pizza: Christina Ulmer
Secretary: Jenna Stafford	Hot Lunch Coordinator: Christina Ulmer	Hot Dog Lunch: Christina Ulmer
Technical Communications Support: Wendy Swanston & Ron Hempel		

WMEMS Bedson Families,

I want to take a final opportunity to say thank you for supporting the WMEMS Bedson Parent Association this year. Although the school year did not turn out the way any of us expected, I am grateful to our parents, staff and administration for helping us to navigate the new challenges we faced.

Although this year was different than most, we were still able to run many of our fundraisers and events. This year's fundraisers included Show and Save coupons and Fundscrip gift cards and our "Fill Your Freezer" Fundraiser. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped us run these fundraisers and to the families who supported them.

Our hot lunch program continued to be our most popular fundraiser. We were able to run our hot lunch program from September 25, 2019 to March 11, 2020. Hot lunches included Hot Dog and Booster Juice, Pizza Hut Pizza, Boston Pizza Pasta/Chicken Fingers and Subway. A huge thank you to all the parents, grandparents, and student helpers who have helped make our hot lunch program possible. We were able to serve 23 of 36 planned lunches. Refunds for the 13 cancelled lunches were issued to parents in May 2020. Special thank you to our Subway and Pizza lunch organizers Hilda Wiebe and Jane Klassen as well as Ashleigh Kelman, Joy Marsh and Marlies Tibbs for their help with hot dog lunch.

We held our annual Staff Appreciation Christmas Breakfast in December. This event continues to be a favourite event with our staff. Our Family Fun Night in February was well attended, and included a "Crock Pot Potluck", skating, sleigh ride, and fireworks. Thank you to everyone who helped with set-up, serving, and clean-up for these events, as well as those who donated food and resources. These events could not run without your support! Special thank you to Diana Stahl for organizing these events.

We were also able to host MTYP for students again this year. We were also able to provide engraved picture frames for our grade 8 graduates again this year. Thank you to Katherine Bruinooge and Farmstead Signs for engraving the frames for us once again.

As we were unable to hold an AGM this spring as planned, our executive members have agreed to stay on for another year. We would love to have more parents involved in our Parent Association and look

forward to working with many of you next year. We are hoping to find someone to fill the position of Fundraising Coordinator for the upcoming school year.

I would like to extend my thanks to our executive this year. Several of us were new to our positions, and with the unexpected suspension of in-school classes, we have had to learn new skills and solve some unprecedented problems. I am proud of our group and everything that we have accomplished this year. I am grateful for the friendships that we have formed and the support that I have received in my first year as chair. Thank you also to the school staff and administration for their ongoing support and assistance.

We look forward to serving you again next year!

Christina Ulmer

WMEMS Bedson PA Chair