



Rose L. MacDonald School Newsletter

October 3, 2019

****Important...please be sure to write your child's first and last name on all notes sent into school. Thank you!**



October 7th – School Committee Meeting 6:30pm MSHS

October 8th – RIF Distribution

October 14th – Columbus Day – No School

October 16th – Lifetouch Picture Makeup/Retake Day

October 23rd – Grade 3 Museum of Science Animal Adaptations *(PTO Sponsored Program)*

October 25th – Monster Mash 6:30–8:30 *(RIF & Lions and Leos Sponsored Event)*

October 28th – First School Improvement Council Meeting 3:30pm

October 30th – Half day of school – Dismissal at 12 noon (no lunch served)

October 31st – Marks Close

November 1st – Grade 3 field trip to Plimoth Plantation

November 4th – School Committee meeting 6:30 MSHS

November 8th – Distribution of Report Cards



THE SCHOOL DAY BEGINS AT 8:30am

Reminder, the doors open for arrival at 8:15am. Children who are dropped off by parents/guardians **AFTER 8:30 a.m. will receive a tardy slip.** Please make every effort to get your child to school on time.

PARENT PICK UP/ DROPOFF

Those who are doing parent pickup/dropoff, the parking lot and sidewalk is very busy with students and staff so please approach the school carefully and slowly to ensure everyone's safety.

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

We will be sharing the Curriculum Newsletter monthly and posting it on our website. Be sure to check out what our fantastic wildcats have been learning!

FROM THE NURSE

In need of girls & boys sweatpants as well as new packaged small/med underwear.
Donations are always greatly appreciated!!

Reading



at RLM



LET'S READ TOGETHER!

Please "like" *Reading at RLM with Mrs. Enos* on Facebook! Mrs. Enos conducts a special read aloud on Facebook Live. Be sure to have your children ready in their pajamas to snuggle up and read a good story with Mrs. Enos every week. Readings take place on **Tuesdays at 7:30pm!**



PTO CORNER

The next PTO meeting is October 29th @ 7pm at the RLM Cafe

Upcoming Events

Lil' Shopper's Shoppe December 6th

Breakfast with Santa December 14th

WANTED: Committee Volunteers!!

Please visit WBPTO.org to join

PTO FUNDRAISER: WHAT THE HECK?? WRITE A CHECK!

This is a quick and easy way to contribute to the WBPTO without the pressure and worry of trying to sell something. There is nothing to buy and no time involved. Any donation is greatly appreciated! Make checks payable to "WBPTO" and include your phone number. *Checks can be given to your child's teacher anytime during the year.*

*** Keep up with all of our new events, volunteer opportunities and fundraisers at WBPTO.org ***

FUN Stuff...



October is breast cancer awareness month. Show your support by joining our staff in wearing pink throughout the month.



RLM PRIDE Program will be recognizing Acceptance during the month of October. Teachers will be nominating students that they witness exhibiting this trait.



SAVE THE DATE - HALLOWEEN MONSTER MASH: Oct. 25th from 6:30-8:30pm - Reading is Fundamental (RIF) volunteers and the WB Lions and Healthy Smiles Dental are sponsoring a Halloween Monster Mash for the children of the RLM and SSS and their families. The tickets are \$5 at the door. All proceeds of the event will go directly to RIF and be used to purchase the books that are distributed 2 times a year to children in grades K-5. The event is for students and families of the RLM and SSS. There will be games, raffles, dancing, and popcorn. There will be a professional DJ. Also this year, we will have a trick or treat walk. Come dressed up, no weapons please! All children need to be accompanied by an adult. Don't miss it!

Enrichment Programs

Students are enjoying our enrichment programs coordinated by Mrs. Sandy Churchill. Parents must pick up their children promptly at 4pm unless they are scheduled for our Surround Care program. Contact info for the Enrichment Director is Mrs. Sandy Churchill at SLCMEC@aol.com.

Please note: Beginning next week, dismissal for enrichment will be at the front office lobby doors

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

*Please look for Box Tops **AND** scan your shopping receipts! Every little bit helps our school!*

Traditional box tops are still available to cut out and turn in to school. **Please keep clipping out and turning in the Box Tops pictured to the right.** Turn in what you find on the collection sheet that went home at the beginning of the month or send them to school in a ziplock baggie or envelope.



The Box Tops for Education program is also transitioning to a new digital format. You can now **scan your shopping receipts** from any store (like Market Basket, Trucchi's, Target, Walmart, CVS, Staples, etc.) to earn money for our school. Download [the app](#) today or **send your receipts to school**. We are happy to scan them for you!



WELCOME TO THE WEST BRIDGEWATER STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE SERIES

You are cordially invited to stop by the Learning Commons at the West Bridgewater Middle Senior High School located at 155 West Center Street for light refreshments and to meet with the Director of Student Services, Mr. Cory Mikolazyk. This informal gathering will give families an opportunity to connect with and to get to know the Student Services Department better. We will be hosting five open house gatherings during the 2019-20 school year to give everyone a chance to find a date and time that meets their schedule. The dates are as follows:

Wednesday, October 23rd, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, December 4th, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 22nd, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

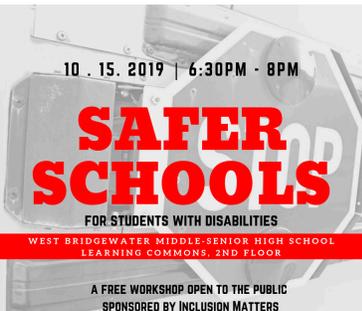
Wednesday, March 18th, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, May 13th, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Please take this opportunity to stop by and say "hello" to the Director.



Is your kiddo on an IEP or 504? Our kids are, too! Join Inclusion Matters at these upcoming events this fall...



Our first Inclusion Matters workshop of the year, **A Safer Schools Workshop**, will be on **Tuesday, October 15th from 6:30 - 8 p.m.** in the Learning Commons on the 2nd floor of the middle/senior high school. Come learn from presenter Carrie Noseworthy, founder of A Safer Me, about how our schools can be safer for all kids, and in particular, kids with special needs.

If your kiddo is on an IEP, we are hosting a one-day conference, **A**

Voice at the Table: An IEP Conference for Parents just for you! Come learn with us how to design an effective IEP, how to be a better advocate for your child, and more! This year's Voice at the Table conference will be **Saturday, November 16th** at Bridgewater State University; the cost is \$50 per parent/guardian and includes breakfast and lunch. If cost is an issue for you, please email us at wbsepac@wbridgewater.com. Learn more and register online at <http://bit.ly/IEPVoiceatTable>

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	Making the Most of Your Child's IEP Before, During, and After the Meeting Dr. Anna Howard, Professor of Special Education	
NOVEMBER 16 2019	8:30	TO
	4:30	
	Parents/Guardians as Advocates: Effective Approaches for Educational Advocacy Melissa Perkins-McLaughlin, Y.Ed.	
	Assistive Technology/ AAC 101 for Parents Oanh Thi Thu Bui, M.A., M.H.A.	
Empowering Students at their Own IEP Teri Kunzler, MEd., M.S.		Managing Your Child's Behavior: Parents as Parents Dr. Jen Katz, Professor of Special Education
Nothing About Us Without Us: Students' Perspectives on Special Education & the IEP Student Panel, Oscar Hughes, Facilitator		Using IDEA to Improve your Child's School Outcomes & Strengthen the IEP Dr. Jan Cash, Assistant Professor of Special Education
REGISTER WITH US • \$50 INCLUDES ENTIRE CONFERENCE, BREAKFAST, & LUNCH HTTP://BIT.LY/IEPVoiceatTable		SEPAC Boot Camp 101 Laura McCarron & Robby Healy Norton

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A VOICE AT THE TABLE

CONFERENCE AGENDA

8:30 Check-In & Breakfast

9:00 Introductions & Welcome

9:15 Opening Keynote - *Todd's Legacy: Lessons on Inclusion & Friendship* - Zach Rossetti, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Special Education, BU

10:30 Choose-a-Workshop Session #1

11:45 Choose-a-Workshop Session #2

1:00 Lunch & Learn

2:00 Choose-a-Workshop Session #3

3:15 Closing Keynote - *Disability Advocacy: Informed, Engaged, & Persistent Practices* - Regina M. Robinson, M.A., Dean, Cambridge College

4:30 Conference Ends

Saturday, November 16th at Bridgewater State University
Burnell Hall Room 132B



Bring a friend along for a paint night to benefit Inclusion Matters at Hammer & Stain South Shore on **Wednesday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Hammer & Stain South Shore (Easton)**. You can make a long or round sign, wooden sled, or doormat. The cost is \$45 - 50 per person; the proceeds help us to bring guest speakers for our monthly workshops and to provide scholarships to WB families with special needs. Seating is limited, so [register online soon](#) with Hammer & Stain!

You can stay informed about all of our events by following our Facebook page (@WBSEPAC) or emailing us to join our private email list at wbsepac@wbridgewater.com

Wildcat Cafe



Find the current lunch menu at: [October Lunch Menu](#)



Calling all RLM artists

The cafe is looking for pictures of fruit and vegetables for the bulletin board. Send all masterpieces to the front office



Menu Spotlight:

Monday 10/8/19 Taste Test Day- Hummus!

Did you know our hummus is house made by our own Ms. Diane?

Thursday 10/10/19 Muffin Fun Lunch

A Whole Grain Chocolate Chip muffin, pretzels, our school made sunbutter and fluff dip, cheese stick and the fruit and veggie bar

Harvest of the Month

We participate in the Mass. Farm to School Harvest of the Month Campaign. October is Pears! Pears are a good source of Vitamin C and dietary fiber, as well as complex carbohydrates for long lasting energy.

Weekly Special Treats- a la carte/ extra

Every Tuesday and Thursday we offer fresh baked cookies for \$0.50

Every Friday we have frozen treats for \$0.75

Charge Policy

Parents are responsible for making sure their child has funds for meals. WB's policy is to allow children to borrow for meals (breakfast and lunch) but not for a la carte or extra items (like cookies and ice cream). Notifications of negative balances are shared with parents via email and classroom mail. The complete charge policy is available on the District's Website.

