Good Afternoon AES Families.

Below are a few important items and upcoming events:

<u>Orange Shirt Day-</u> Schools will be closed on Monday, Oct. 2 to observe the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Sept. 30, 2023). Classes at AES have been discussing the meaning of this day and will have a Guidance lesson from Ms. Kempster on Orange Shirt Day next week. We ask students and staff to wear orange on Friday, Sept. 29 to honour the children who were impacted so deeply by residential schools.

<u>Cross Country Fun Run-</u> Our next Gr. 3-5 Cross Country Fun Run (for those students who have registered) will be at Sussex Elementary School at 3:00 pm on Tuesday, Sept. 26.

Home & School Meeting Update- Thank you to all who attended our recent Home & School meeting. We are off to a great start this year with Breakfast Club, Hot Lunch, plans for some wonderful fundraisers and upcoming special events! We welcome new members at any time. Our next meeting will be held on Oct. 10 at 7 pm in Ms. Carr's room.

PSSC- Our first PSSC meeting will be held at 6 pm on Oct. 10 in Ms. Carr's room. We welcome new members!

If you are interested in volunteering for either committee, please reach out to me at sarah.richards@nbed.nb.ca

Hot Lunch Program- Hot lunch order forms were sent home with students this week. For this round, we will have Cheeseburgers on Monday, Pizza on Wednesday and Pancakes on Friday. We will also have a milk option, ongoing throughout the year. The Home & School accepts cash or etransfer. Payments are due Tuesday, Sept. 26 and the hot lunch program will begin in October.

<u>Toonie for Terry-</u> Yesterday we held our annual Terry Fox Walk/Run. Thank you to all those students who brought in a toonie for Terry. We have currently raised \$102.35 for childhood cancer research. If your child has not yet brought in their toonie, not to worry, we will be accepting donations next week as well.

<u>Kindergarten Registration-</u> Students entering kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year may be registered for school from Oct. 10-13, 2023. You will be required to come into the school to bring in certain documentation. Please use this link for further information <u>School Preregistration (nbed.nb.ca)</u>

<u>Fire Drill and Off-Site Evacuation Practice:</u> Our planned Off-Site Evacuation (where we walk to Apohaqui Community Church with the help of an RCMP Officer) will be on Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 10 am.

<u>Student Fees:</u> A reminder that student fees are due by the end of September. We ask all families to provide \$40 for each child. This fee covers the cost of their child(ren)'s school supplies. This fee can be paid using www.schoolCashOnline.com

<u>Picture Day:</u> Mark your calendars, Oct. 19 is Picture Day at AES!

Have a nice afternoon and a wonderful weekend!

Sarah Richards

Principal