Good evening, this is Bonnie Demmons, Principal of HMMS, with messages for the week of October 15th.

We hope you all had a wonderful long weekend, with time to rest and enjoy the beautiful fall colors.

Please see the attached edition of the Harry Miller Happenings for the week ahead.

Our students have been busy learning about the political process in their Social Studies classes and this has been done in conjunction with a National program in which students participate in an election using ballots for their Electoral District.  History will be made on Friday, October 18th, when all of our students will have the opportunity to cast their vote in true democratic fashion.  Our library will be transformed into a polling station and results of the school vote will be submitted to the organizers at CIVIX. Students will be able to compare their results with other schools from across the country and, of course, with the results of the Federal election, Monday, October 21st. Thank you to the Social Studies teachers for their work on this special initiative.

Thank you to KVHS Renaissance Team for inviting the HMMS Renaissance Team to attend their annual workshop, which will take place this Friday at KVHS. We look forward to learning about Renaissance and the positive impact we can have in our school! Don’t worry – those students attending will still be able to vote on Friday in the “Student Vote”.

This Friday is also PURPLE DAY in support of the Sweet Caroline Foundation and the annual soccer game to create greater awareness of allergies and anaphylaxis. Since Caroline Lorette was an avid soccer player, this is a tradition for her former middle school, RPS, to play HMMS in a special Purple, Sweet Caroline game. It will be at 4 pm, Friday, October 18th, and we encourage our students, their families and staff to attend all dressed in purple. We will have a brief Purple Pep Rally Friday after school and walk to the field together where we will meet the RPS fans along the way and join forces! It will be a great event and we hope you can join us even for part of the game. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**HMMS Gift Card Technology Fundraiser**  Through this fundraiser, students are able to sell gift cards to their family members and HMMS gets to keep a small percentage of each sale. The students will each be given two order forms and extra ones will always be available at the school office or from Mr. Locke in the Tech room. Students can bring their completed order forms and money to Mr. Locke, in the Tech room, first thing each morning. All of the money raised through this fundraiser will be used to purchase exciting and engaging technology for our students. Mr. Locke will be accepting order forms throughout the month of October and those orders will arrive in November. He will also be accepting orders in November and early December, with those orders arriving closer to the Christmas break. We certainly appreciate your support and, if you have any questions whatsoever, please email Mr. Locke at david.locke@nbed.nb.ca. Thank you so much!

Thanks for your attention to these announcements and have a great week.