Here is important information at the Bates for the week of September 19th through September 23rd.

**School Site and Parent Council**
We held our elections on Wednesday evening. I would like to congratulate the following and thank everyone who was elected to a position for their willingness to serve. You can view the list of officer and School Site Council members [here](#).

The first meeting headed by the new officers is on Wednesday September 28th. The meeting will be held from 5:30pm to 7:00pm with dinner and childcare provided (my apologies for the lack of childcare at last week's meeting).

We will have an overview of the topics for the year, including:
- Extended Learning Time in 2017-2018 (which puts us at a 4:10 end time)
- Possibility of adding a 6th grade
- Fundraising Events (Fox Fest, etc) and the Annual Fund
- The Quality School Plan and Instructional Focus

SPC/SSC meetings are a great way to get information and provide input into some important decisions for our school.

**Coffee with the Principal**
Thank you to everyone who joined me Friday morning! It was great chat with so many family members about our school and their children’s experiences. The next Coffee with the Principal is **Monday October 17th** from 7:45-9:00am.

**DonorsChoose Project**
The 2nd grade team currently has a project up on DonorsChoose. They are fundraising to add technology to their classroom. Please click this link to donate and share with your networks!

**Roslindale Parade**
As of now, we do not have the family support to participate in the parade (we need a new banner and someone to coordinate attendance). If we do not have a contact person by Wednesday 9/21, the Bates will unfortunately be unable to participate.

**Bates Attire Online Ordering**
You can still order Bates attire at [this website](#) until the end of the month, which will be delivered in 4-6 weeks. Please write your child’s name in the text box above the “place order” button upon checking out so we can make sure the right student receives the attire.

Bates attire is NOT a mandatory component of the uniform, so please don’t feel the need to purchase. Any khaki or navy bottom with any white, navy, or light blue top is acceptable.
Our new website is https://thephineasbates.org/.
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- Andrew