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Dear Parents,

As we begin a new school year at Raymond Elementary, we would like to share some important information about one of our new kindergarten students, Teddy Brown. Teddy, who has a sister in Grade 3 here at our school, is a bright and resilient young boy. Unfortunately, he has recently experienced a recurrence of acute lymphoblastic leukemia, a condition he first battled in 2021. After enjoying a period of remission, his cancer returned this August, and he is currently undergoing treatment at the Children's Hospital in Calgary. While his treatment is expected to last the next 2.5 years, we are hopeful that Teddy will be able to join us at school for a few days each week, health permitting.

To support Teddy and his family during this challenging time, we are accepting general donations which can be made in person at the school office or by sending an e-transfer to resfees@westwind.ab.ca. Your support would be immensely appreciated and would help alleviate some of the burdens his family is facing.

In conjunction with this effort, we are thrilled to invite all students, staff, and parents to our Teddy Bear Picnic on "Teddy Tuesday," October 1, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. on our school grounds. Families are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy together, and the school will provide a complimentary sundae bar for all attendees. It's a perfect opportunity for students to bring their favorite teddy bear and enjoy a day filled with joy and community spirit.

Additionally, we will be hosting a raffle for a giant teddy bear, with all proceeds directly supporting the Brown family. Raffle tickets are available at \$2 each or three for \$5 and can be purchased from October 1-4. The raffle draw will take place on October 4.

This Teddy Bear Picnic is not only a chance for a delightful gathering but also a significant occasion to rally around and support one of our own. Your understanding and contributions are highly valued as we welcome Teddy into our community.

Warm regards,
Raymond Elementary School