Dear Grad Parents.

February 15th, 2024

As the end of the school year approaches, we are excitedly preparing for one of the most memorable events in our students lives - prom. I am writing to you today to discuss an important matter regarding the payment of fees and the number of attendees for prom.

The prom is an event that holds great significance for our graduating students. It is a celebration of their accomplishments and friendships throughout the years. We believe that every student should have the opportunity to attend this special occasion. My 21 year old's prom was cancelled because of Covid and she has felt as if she missed out on something significant. We encourage any kids that have finished grade 12 this year to come to prom to close this chapter of their lives.

What we need from parents today is to have the \$200 fees paid by the end of February. I know the school has stated that fees do not need to be payed till June, but we have certain expenses that rely on earlier payments such as; venue rental, decorations, food and entertainment. In order to ensure the prom that they all want and deserve, we kindly request payment, at the latest, by the end of February and the numbers of how many grads will be going. We understand that these are challenging times for many families so if payment cannot be paid by the end of February, please reach out and send us a private message. Please contact us if your child has decided not to go to prom as well.

We have two fundraisers left. On April 20th, we will be having our last bottle drive. Please save all your bottles until then and hopefully we can raise a big amount! May 4th will be our last fundraiser and information will be coming out soon about that.

Please note prom fees are due by February 29th. You can make a payment on "School Cash Online" though Ballenas and detailed instructions are provided in our school's website.

Thank you for your understanding, support and commitment to our students well being. Together we can ensure that the prom remains an inclusive and joyous celebration for all. We look forward to creating beautiful memories with our 2024 graduating class.

Warm Regards,

Andrea Button & Chrissy Greig Co-Chairs for Prom Ballenas Secondary School