

THE WEEKLY

Tuesday, April 22, 2025



Thoughts from our Principal ...

In Revelation 21:1-4, We read about the *New Heaven and a New Earth* (NIV)

21 Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

Good Friday and Easter are life-changing! As John wrote in Revelation, he envisions the Holy City of God, the New Jerusalem. Through Christ’s death AND his resurrection, there is a “doorway” to the New Heaven and the New Earth. And while this is a gift for which we can never repay or thank Him enough, we have the opportunity to redeem that which has been tainted by sin. Take Earth Day, for example. Today, WCS is picking up garbage (safely) and being intentional to clean up the world that God created. We are re-making the world. As we learn, we are “renovating” hearts and minds to better serve and love our Creator and King. Together, we continue the job of building His Kingdom. We trust in the One who says, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Revelation 21:5

In closing, please read “Easter Prayer,” written by Peter Grieg, as found in the devotional, Lectio 365:

*May this Easter day bring resurrection life to my heart and my home.
May renewal radiate within me and revival emanate through me.
May dawn displace the darkness, and spring replace the winter in my life.
May the God of home so fill me with joy and peace this Easter.
That I may overflow with home by his power and life forever.
Amen.*

This calendar lists upcoming HIGHLIGHTS only. Refer to 2024/25 School Calendar for ALL events.

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Tue/Apr/22	LUNCH	E2F LUNCH	For those that have ordered.
Tue/Apr/22	8:35AM	EASTER MONDAY SERVICE on TUESDAY	All are welcome!
Tue/Apr/22	—	EARTH DAY– NEIGHBOURHOOD CLEANUP	Refer to individual Class Weekly
Wed/Apr/23		SR. BADMINTON TOURNAMENT	Go WCS!
Thurs/Apr/24	LUNCH	PIZZA LUNCH moved to THURSDAY	For those that have ordered.
Fri/Apr/25		PRINCIPAL OF THE DAY	Dress Down Day!
Mon/Apr/28	LUNCH	E2F LUNCH	For those that have ordered.
Fri/May/02	—	P.D. DAY	No School!

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PRAYER @ WCS

Weekly Parents Prayer Zoom Meeting: Tuesdays @ 8:00 pm

- TUESDAY Worship ~ Easter Monday Service led by Ms. Rosalie Tsang
- Staff of the Week: Mrs. Valerie Barnes (Grade 1 Teacher)
- Families of the Week: *Seevaratnam (Gr.6), Senkerekere (Gr.8/6), So (Gr.7), Stuart (Gr.5/4/1/JK), Tam (Gr.6)*
- Contact Person ~ Claudia & Cissy (WCS Parents) [wcpayerbox@yahoo.com](mailto:wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com).
- *Please feel free to email your prayer requests throughout the year.*

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

"PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY" EVENT—FRIDAY, APRIL 25

We have a special day called, "Principal for a Day" this coming Friday, April 25, that the Stuart family won at last year's school fundraiser. While we would like to keep it a surprise for our students until Thursday when it gets announced to the whole school, it is important for you to know a few things about the day.

First, there will be a gluten free snack (donut, cupcake, muffin or brownie) at first recess. Then at lunch, there will be one beef hamburger for each student. They can choose to have ketchup, relish and/or mustard on their burger. If your child(ren) would like a veggie burger instead, please let the office know by Wednesday at 3:30pm. Second, we plan to watch a play in the gym by Candy Bones Theatre. Lastly, Friday will also be a dress down day!

If you have any questions, please let Mrs. Schuurman know. Many thanks to the Stuart family for blessing WCS on this fantastic day!

Special note: If you ordered pizza lunch for Friday, April 25, it is now moved to Thursday, April 24.

WCS 65th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: FORWARD TOGETHER—SATURDAY, MAY 3 at 2-5pm

Our 65th Anniversary celebration on May 3rd (2-5pm) is fast approaching!

The *Forward Together* organizing committee is looking for volunteers to help with the event.

Volunteers Sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/qWJGsBk>

If you're able to contribute items to the silent auction, please complete the donation form and drop off your items at the school office:

Donation Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfP8KADa3fPo_UM8U_vEqaO4TuMwsEGtgLbrj94cPj8Hr1A/viewform

If you missed the initial RSVP—no worries! You can still RSVP here:

RSVP Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScYOF3-YIUTvborCcD5qfdOVfOB1FG9ED_Vfe-m_r7Jauoq7Q/viewform

If you have any questions, please contact Betty at lala.betty@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely, 65th Anniversary celebration committee.

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FUN FAIR COMMITTEE— FRIDAY, JUNE 13

We're looking for parent volunteers to join the planning committee for the end of year Fun Fair on Fri., Jun 13!

This is a great opportunity to get involved, share ideas, and help organize a fun-filled event. If you're interested, please email Candy at candy.lanois@gmail.com. Note that we will be recruiting for parent volunteers for the day-of event. later in May.

PARENTING WORKSHOP ON BEHAVIOUR & LEARNING

For those who are interested in the parenting workshop on Behaviour & Learning but couldn't attend, please see attached for the video recording which will be available until April 22.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1h48RkS1taG5qbWlQsSFO1hCVybrP62Hw/view?usp=drive_link

