

THE WEEKLY

Monday, December 11, 2023



A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...

The countdown has officially begun! 10 school days left (including today) until the Christmas holidays! These are going to be some very busy days, so I am sure they will fly by. This week is particularly busy with the Christmas program on Thursday night at 7:00 and Friday morning at 11:00 (please see other announcements for arrival times and dress code). We are excited to share this short program (probably 25-30 minutes) with you, celebrating together our Savior's birth. Also, this week we have a food drive going on! Please send non-perishable food to school. There is a flyer attached that has a list of the most needed items. This is our winter service opportunity where students can help serve their community, specifically those with food insecurity. If you watch the news, you know that this number is increasing daily, especially during this Christmas season. The "entrance" fee for the Christmas Celebration is a food item as well. Then next week on Friday we will be going skating with the whole school! Your child's class might still need volunteers, so please check their weekly message. Because the day's schedule is different, Pizza Day is moved to Thursday next week. Even amidst all the busyness, I pray that you and your family will find time to focus on the good news of our coming Savior. May this time be one of awe and wonder of God's incredible love for you.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever." Isaiah 9:6-7

This calendar lists upcoming HIGHLIGHTS only. Refer to 2023/24 School Calendar for ALL events.

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Mon/Dec/11—Fri/15 ~ WCS FOOD DRIVE			
Thu/Dec/14 @7:00pm OR Fri/15 @11:00am ~ WCS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION PERFORMANCE (Gym)			
Fri/Dec/22	—	RED & GREEN DAY	Dress Down Day
Fri/Dec/22	AFTERNOON	SKATING INDOOR @GOULDING	Dress Down Day
Mon/Dec/25-Fri/Jan/05 ~ CHRISTMAS BREAK			
Mon/Jan/08	8:25 am	1ST SCHOOL DAY OF 2024	Welcome back!
Mon/Jan/15	—	PAJAMA & BED HEAD DAY	Dress Down Day
Fri/Jan/19	—	P.A.DAY	SCHOOL CLOSED

Mrs. Donna Miles (Principal) - dmiles@willowdalechristianschool.org
Mrs. Elisa Santiago (Office Administrator) - office@willowdalechristianschool.org

PRAYER @ WCS

Join our **Weekly Parents Prayer Meeting** (via Zoom) every Tuesdays @8:00pm!

Contact Person ~ Suan Fong (WCS Parent) wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com.

If you have items to include in our PRAYER section, please send an email to:
office@willowdalechristianschool.org

- Wednesday Worship ~ Pray for Mrs. Lee as she concludes teaching on "Beatitudes: Admitting My Sin"
- Staff of the Week ~ Ms. Smith (ECE)
- Families of the Week ~ Ji (5); Jo (4/JK); Kang (6/3) new family; Kasim (5/2); Kay (8)

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE ~ DECEMBER 11-15, 2023

For our service event for the winter we will be hosting a Food Drive for Neighbourhood Link. They are an organization in our immediate community who provides services for the vulnerable. There is a flyer attached to the weekly with more information.



Food Hub | NeighbourLink

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION ~ THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 @ 7:00 pm OR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 @11:00 am



Come and join us for a celebration of Christ's birth. ALL STUDENTS will be part of the presentation. On the Thursday evening performance, Grade 6-8 need to wear white tops and black or navy-blue bottoms and JK-Grade 5 need to wear Sunday best. **K-5 students need to arrive at 6:45. Grades 6-8 students need to arrive at 6:40. All students need to go directly to their classrooms.**

Bring an item for our Food Drive as your entrance "fee"!

SKATING and RED AND GREEN DAY ~ FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22



We will soon be going skating as a whole school!

JK-Grade 3 will be skating from 12:30-1:30 &

Grades 4-8 will skate from 2:00-3:00.

Volunteers are needed to walk with classes and help tie skates.
(VSS required- please sign up with your child's classroom teacher)

NOTE that all K-3 students must wear gloves, snowpants and a helmet.

ALL SKATERS must wear gloves on the ice.

If you do not have skates, you can borrow from the school's limited supply. They will be set up, by size order, on the stage starting Monday, Dec. 18 and **MUST** be returned to the stage by Friday, Dec. 22.
ONLY Volunteers should meet at school prior to walking to the arena. Parents who wish to attend skating should go directly to Goulding.

It is also **Red** and **Green** Day. If you wear red or green, it does not need to be dress code.