

# THE WEEKLY

Tuesday, January 25, 2022



## *A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...*

Although I never take it for granted, it is rare here at WCS that a family leaves our school community mid-year. Sadly, this year is the exception, as we say good-bye to the Nieuwstraten family THIS Thursday. I want to take a few moments to acknowledge the contributions that both Doug and Carmine have made to our school community over the years they have been here and to express our thanks (and sadness) as they leave.

Both Doug and Carmine have been active on many WCS committees, but their departure will be felt most profoundly by the Board (Doug) and the Fundraising Dinner Committee (Carmine) where they have invested their gifts and talents as well as countless hours.

Their commitment to Christian education extended far beyond the education of their own children (alumni Leah and Bethany as well as Jared in Gr. 7) but to the sustainability of the school for future generations as well.

On a personal note, not only are we losing a Board member, a valued Fundraising Committee member and a Gr. 7 student, but I am also losing my pastor. As the Nieuwstraten family moves to Brantford for Doug to begin his new pastorate, we wish them God's richest blessings.

On his last Sunday at the Community Church of Richmond Hill, Doug preached on the text from Numbers 6:24-26. I leave the Nieuwstratens with this blessing from all of us at WCS:

“The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you;  
The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.”

## **2022-2023 ENROLMENT INTENTION FORM**

The WCS Board, in conjunction with the Finance Committee, has begun the annual process of building the budget for the next school year. In addition, the administration is beginning to decide on class sizes. Presently, over 90% of the necessary revenue for WCS comes from tuition fees. In order to help us accurately forecast the tuition revenue for the 2022-2023 year, you are requested to complete the attached Enrolment Intention form indicating whether your child will be returning to WCS in September. This helps us plan accordingly. If you have any questions, kindly contact Mrs. Venneri.

- 1 - Parents must attach a post-dated cheque to the form. (We will not be accepting e-transfers for this payment.)
- 2 - If you are unable to print this form at home on LEGAL size paper (ONLY), don't worry! A hard copy will be coming home with your eldest child on Wednesday afternoon.
- 3 - Please adhere to the deadline of Fri/Feb/04.
- 4 - If your family is NOT returning in September 2022 - kindly indicate that on the form and still return it to the office.

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# PRAYER @ WCS

- Wednesday Worship ~ Ms. Chow as she teaches us a new name of God - Jehovah-Rohi (The Lord My Shepherd)
- Please use the WCS Phone Directory to pray for 1 school family each day this week, beginning with *LLOYD* today (Tuesday) and ending with *MOUSLEY* on Sunday.
- Staff of the Week ~ Ms. Lim

## **Parents Prayer Group (via Zoom) - Every Wednesday @ 8:00 pm**

Contact Person ~ Surance Tunggal (WCS Parent) [wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com](mailto:wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com). She will provide the Zoom link. When entering the meeting, TURN ON your camera. Once you've been admitted, you may turn OFF your camera.

# FOR YOUR CALENDAR

## **THIS Wednesday @ 7:00 pm - WCS OPEN HOUSE (Zoom)**

When it comes to advertising our school - "word of mouth" seems to garner the best results! Feel free to invite friends who are interested in Christian education for their children. They can email the office to receive the Zoom link.

## **Fri/Feb/11 - TALENT SHOW**

God has blessed our school community with many gifts and talents and we love to celebrate them at our annual Talent Show! Although we are unable to gather together in person, we want to ensure these gifts and talents are celebrated. (Due to privacy concerns, this will be an in-house event for students only and will not be live or shared with families.) We are asking all participants to submit a pre-recorded performance (**30 seconds - 2 minutes MAX** in length) of their gift or talent. In previous years, we have had magicians, musicians, singers, dancers, comedians, and artists of all kinds! If you are unsure if your child's performance qualifies, please email Ms. Chow or Miss Westerhoek ([cchow@willowdalechristianschool.org](mailto:cchow@willowdalechristianschool.org); [westerhoek@willowdalechristianschool.org](mailto:westerhoek@willowdalechristianschool.org)) to discuss it before you begin practicing and recording. **Videos MUST be submitted in mp4 format (landscape) no later than Fri/Feb/04.**

## **CANCELLATION - Fri/Feb/25 - LICE CREW**

Please note that the Lice Crew will not be coming to the school this year.

# WCS NEWS

## **MILK & POPCORN SALES**

Popcorn is available now. Milk will be on sale again beginning THIS Thursday.

## **WHEN YOUR CHILD ARRIVES @ SCHOOL LATE ...**

... all the doors will be locked and they will need to ring the buzzer at the front door. Please remind your child that when they are late - they **MUST** come to the office **BEFORE** they head off to their classroom. Thanks. (NOTE: This does NOT apply to Kindergarten students.)

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>TAKE NOTE</b>
Fri/Feb/18	—	Professional Development Day	NO SCHOOL
Mon/Feb/21	—	Family Day (Statutory Holiday)	NO SCHOOL
Wed/Feb/23	7:00 pm	Virtual WCS Open House (via Zoom)	Let your friends know!
<b>MARCH ~ Mon/Mar/14 - Fri/Mar/25</b>			
Wed/Mar/30	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Parent Teacher Conferences	Via Zoom
Thu/Mar/31	3:50 - 6:00 pm	Parent Teacher Conferences	Via Zoom
Fri/Apr/15	—	Good Friday	NO SCHOOL
Mon/Apr/18	—	Easter Monday	NO SCHOOL
Wed/May/18	7:00 pm	Spring Membership Meeting	NEW ADDITION TO CALENDAR