

# THE WEEKLY

Tuesday, May 23, 2023



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

I have been thinking about change a lot lately. My life is about to change significantly as my husband and I both retire from careers that have spanned decades. The school is about to go through significant changes in leadership and the office. The Board will have a new Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and 2 new voting members next year. There are many new families joining WCS in September. All these changes will determine the direction of the school and the type of community WCS will be over the next few years. Although I will admit that I am not very fond of change, there are times when it is needed for God's plan to continue to unfold.

Speaking personally, I am holding fast to God's promise in Jeremiah 29:11 ~ "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future." What that will look like, I have no idea at this point, but I trust the Lord will make that path clear in His time.

As for WCS, change is also difficult. Who will the new principal be? What will they be like? What will the Board decide about the school's future? Will the E2F building campaign ever be completed? These are all valid and important questions. My hope and prayer is that WCS will always be a community where families feel included and that they belong, that students of all learning styles and abilities are welcomed into our classrooms and that this school will always be a place that is Christ-centered, Biblically rooted and seeks to equip students to love and serve the Lord all their lives. The answers to the questions above (and many more) will be revealed as we move forward. Please continue to pray for the school, the board and the staff. These are exciting times! I am looking forward to seeing what God has planned for our school in the days, weeks and years ahead!

*"And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good.  
For those who are called according to His purpose".*  
Romans 8:28

**This calendar lists upcoming HIGHLIGHTS only. Refer to 2022/23 School Calendar for ALL events.**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
THURSDAY	—	Grade 5/6 Class Trip	Kortright Conservation Area
FRIDAY	Lunch	Pizza Day	For students that have pre-ordered.
SATURDAY	1:00 - 4:00 pm	Retirement Celebration for Mrs. Sallows	<b>OPEN HOUSE</b> ~ Everyone welcome!
Tue/May/30	8:35 am	"Wednesday" Worship	Moved to Tuesday re: Track & Field Days
Wed/May/31	—	Primary (Grades JK - Gr. 4) Field Day	Volunteers Needed!
Wed/May/31	—	Senior (Grades 5 - 8) District Track Day	Off Site (Not All Students Attend)
Mon/Jun/05	—	Professional Activity Day	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Fri/Jun/09	3:00 - 6:30 pm	Fun Fair	Community Event

**Mrs. Cathy Sallows (Principal) - [csallows@willowdalechristianschool.org](mailto:csallows@willowdalechristianschool.org)**  
**Mrs. Miriam Venneri (Office Administrator) - [office@willowdalechristianschool.org](mailto:office@willowdalechristianschool.org)**

# **PRAYER @ WCS**

- Staff of the Week ~ Ms. Lim (Continue to pray that her cancer treatments will be successful.)
- Family of the Week ~ Yim
- Wednesday Worship ~ Mrs. Kim will teach us about GENTLENESS (I will care for others when they mess up.)

**Parents Prayer Meeting (via Zoom) ~ Tuesdays @ 8:00 pm**

Contact Person ~ Surance Tunggal (WCS Parent) [wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com](mailto:wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com).

## **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW**

### **ONE VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

As you may (or may not know), the school places a tennis ball on the bottom of each chair leg! That's a lot of tennis balls. This helps prevent scuff marks on the floor and unnecessary "screeching" when chairs are moved around. Right now there is a bag of tennis balls in the office that need to be cut ("x"-shape) with an Exacto knife. If you are very careful - you can do this while you are watching TV. ;) Contact Mrs. Venneri if you are interested in helping out.

### **Fri/Jun/09 @ 3:00 pm - 6:30 pm ~ FUN FAIR**

We're looking forward to having your family and friends join WCS' year end celebration with a fun fair! For more information, to pre-order tickets, and sign up for volunteering, visit - <http://funfair.wcs.rocks/>. **DEADLINE** for pre-ordering tickets is fast approaching - Fri/May/26. More volunteers are needed to donate food and to fill spots to ensure the kids are safe while having fun. Contact - Alice Bouwma.



*Retirement Celebration*

Please join us as we honour  
*Cathy Sallows*  
for her 29 years of faithful service  
at Willowdale Christian School

**OPEN HOUSE**  
Saturday, May 27, 2023  
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
(2:00 pm - Reminiscing and Blessing)  
Location: 60 Hilda Avenue, North York

If you are unable to attend but would like to  
send a personal message, kindly email it to:  
[office@willowdalechristianschool.org](mailto:office@willowdalechristianschool.org)

Best wishes only.

The poster is decorated with pink and red flowers, green butterflies, and a floral border at the bottom.