

THE WEEKLY

Monday, November 7, 2022



A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...

November is a very full month! I just want to take a moment to go over 2 of the many important things that will be happening this month:

PROGRESS REPORTS - As of this school year (2022/23), we have moved to a 2-term year. Term 1 runs from September to the end of January and Term 2 runs from February to the end of June. There will be 2 full Report Cards sent home for each of those terms (Term 1 Report Card goes home on Fri/Feb/03 and Term 2 Report Card on Fri/Jun/23 - the last day of school). We are introducing a Progress Report which will be distributed on Fri/Nov/18. While these Progress Reports do not contain grades, they do let you know whether your child is below, meeting, or exceeding the expectations of the teacher in each subject area, as well as work habits and learning skills. Teachers will also provide general comments. The Progress Report is followed by Parent-Teacher Conferences being held on Tue/Nov/22 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm and Wed/Nov/23 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm to give you an opportunity to discuss your child's progress directly with their teacher.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES - Based on the positive response we received when we held Parent-Teacher Conferences remotely during the past 2 years (easier for parents, often both parents can attend, parents from outside Canada can attend), the decision was made to continue with that format this year. These meetings will be held using Teams instead of Zoom. The reason for this change is that, during the pandemic, Zoom gave all educators unlimited time for Zoom meetings at \$0 cost. This has now been cancelled and all Zoom meetings are limited to 40 minutes. Because our teachers provide all parents with 1 link, it would be impossible for us to continue using Zoom. You will find on the document attached to The Weekly, instructions for booking your online conference. Once your meeting is booked, you will receive an email containing the Teams link. **HANG ON TO THAT LINK!** If you will be using a cell phone or iPad for your conference, you will need to download the Teams app. If you plan to use a laptop or desktop computer, you only need to choose the option 'continue on this browser' - you do not need to have Teams loaded on your computer. After that, everything will run much like it did on Zoom.

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

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
WEDNESDAY	Lunch	Pasta Day	For students that pre-ordered.
WEDNESDAY	8:35 am	There is NO Worship this Wednesday.	Join us on Thursday instead!
THURSDAY	8:35 am	Remembrance Day Service	(Instead of Wednesday Worship.)
Fri/Nov/11	—	P.A. Day	NO SCHOOL!
Wed/Nov/16	—	Volleyball Tournament	Girls (Woodbridge) / Boys (Mississauga)

Tue/Nov/22 (6:00 - 9:00 pm) & Wed/Nov/23 (4:00 - 6:00 pm) ~ Parent-Teacher Conferences (Watch for Details)

Tue/Nov/29 - Thu/Dec/01 ~ Scholastic Book Fair (In the Gym) - Flyer Attached to This Email

Mrs. Cathy Sallows (Principal) - csallows@willowdalechristianschool.org

Mrs. Miriam Venneri (Office Administrator) - office@willowdalechristianschool.org

PRAYER @ WCS

- Please be in prayer for the Keith & Michelle (Li) TRAN and their children Ethan (Gr. 7), Eliza (Gr. 5), and Esther (Gr. 1). Mom has undergone surgery today. Pray for God's "healing hand" to be upon her. Pray that Keith will have "God's wisdom to manage everything during Mom's recovery time." Grandma (Keith's mom) will be helping during this time, pray that she "remains strong and healthy". Remember the 3 children - Pray that they will "have peace in Christ and have the heart to help around the house besides their school duties."
- Staff of the Week ~ Ms. Lim
- Families of the Week ~ Gim, Goulding, Groce-Balogun (New Family), Ha
- THURSDAY ~ Pray for Mrs. Barnes as she leads our Remembrance Day Service.

Parents Prayer Meeting (via Zoom) ~ Tuesdays @ 8:00 pm
Contact Person ~ Surance Tunggal (WCS Parent) wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com.

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

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

IMPORTANT CHANGE OF DATE!

Skating has been moved from Fri/Dec/16 to Thu/Dec/15. (March skating date remains the same.)
JK - Gr. 3 will skate @ Goulding Arena from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm. Gr. 4 - 8 will have the rink from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO PHONE DIRECTORY

Page 1	AHLBERG (Brian & Cherie)	Change phone number to 416-873-8825
Page 1	DANKWORTH (Richard & Jane)	Change Dankwork to Dankworth
Page 4	PARK (Chris & Sunny)	Change So to Cho
Page 4	PATTERSON (George & Amy)	Change email to amynpatterson85@gmail.com
Page 4	SAAD (George & Michelle)	Add 416-997-4438 AND saadgsz@yahoo.com
Page 6	ZHU (Eric & Katie)	Add 647-716-4605 AND shen.katie@gmail.com



CHECK THOSE BACKPACKS TODAY (or TOMORROW)

Each student is bringing home a SMALL WHITE ENVELOPE. This envelope is for your child's poppy donation. Kindly return same to the school BEFORE Thursday. Students will receive their poppy on Thu/Nov/10 so that they can wear it during our Remembrance Day service.
(Parents/Guardians - Are you setting a good example for your child by wearing a poppy?) Why not take a few minutes to explain to your child how the poppy donations help to honour and support our veterans.

WHO IS A VETERAN?

Any person who is serving or who has honourably served in the Canadian Armed Forces, the Commonwealth or its wartime allies, or as a regular member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or as a Peace Officer in a special duty area or on a special duty operation, or who has served in the Merchant Navy or Ferry Command during wartime. All funds raised through the Poppy Campaign support veterans, serving military, RCMP and their families. Your donations help support:

- ◆ Programs and assistance for veterans;
- ◆ Medical training and research. Provide community medical appliances to assist in the care of veterans;
- ◆ Services through Canadian Military Family Resource Centres;
- ◆ Housing and care facilities for elderly, disabled, and homeless veterans;
- ◆ Bursaries for children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of veterans;
- ◆ Veterans' drop-in centres and meals-on-wheels program;
- ◆ Sponsorship of cadet and youth programs.

*The Poppy is our emblem of supreme sacrifice.
It is the symbol of Remembrance. Lest we forget.*