

THE WEEKLY

Tuesday, October 12, 2021



A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...

Well, Thanksgiving is over. The good dishes have been washed and put away, many of us have turkey sandwiches for lunch, and any out-of-town guests (vaccinated of course!) have gone home. Perhaps you are a little like me – I was so looking forward to seeing some family that I haven't seen in person for 18 months or more, but then our time together was over in a flash! All that excitement I felt about Thanksgiving turned quickly into a feeling of 'post Thanksgiving let down'. One minute I'm rhyming off all the blessings in my life that I am thankful for (especially my absolutely adorable grandson Max) and the next minute I'm thinking "how many weeks until Christmas?"

But then.....I'm reminded that I had been spending all my time being thankful for things and people (not that there's anything wrong with being thankful for things and people in our lives), but scripture tells me that I am to "give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18) and to "give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations." (Psalm 100:4-5) I am to be thankful because God is good and will always love me, not just for the blessings He has given me.



So, I choose to be thankful, every day, even when some days, some people, and some circumstances can be challenging! Really, shouldn't it be Thanksgiving Day every day of the year?

(Please remind me of this when it is 20 below in January and I'm outside freezing!)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Wed/Oct/20	—	Pasta Lunch	For students that pre-ordered.
Fri/Oct/22	—	Pizza Lunch	For students that pre-ordered.
Fri/Oct/22	—	Backwards Day	Dress Down
Tue/Oct/26	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Parent-Teacher Interviews	Details to follow next week.
Wed/Oct/27	3:50 - 6:00 pm	Parent-Teacher Interviews	Details to follow next week.
Thu/Oct/28 & Fri/Oct/29 ~Professional Development Days (Edvance Convention) ~ NO SCHOOL			
Wed/Nov/03	9:00 am	Photo Retake Day	More information on Page 2.
Thu/Nov/11	—	Remembrance Day	Lest We Forget
Fri/Nov/12	—	Pizza Lunch	For students that pre-ordered.
Mon/Nov/15	—	Professional Activity Day	NO SCHOOL

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

- Pray for Mr. Eyre as he leads Wednesday Worship. We will be celebrating a belated Thanksgiving!

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

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

Contact Person ~ Surance Tunggal (WCS Parent) 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.

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Due to the pandemic, we will NOT be holding our Bazaar. Instead we will be selling cheese, croquettes, and flowers.

The Order Form will be distributed shortly.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

TODAY ~ POPCORN SALES BEGAN

Selling popcorn is a Fundraiser effort by the Grades 6, 7, 8 classes to help offset the cost of their overnight trips. Each bag of popcorn costs \$1. We will only be able to accept **exact change** this year to minimize handling re: COVID. Your child can purchase a bag of butter-salt flavoured popcorn from their classroom teacher at snack recess or lunch time.

Tue/Oct/26 & Wed/Oct/27 ~ PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Tomorrow you will receive an email from the office with the required information for booking your Parent-Teacher Conference/s online. Once you've scheduled your meetings via the online booking site, you will immediately receive a confirmation email from "School Interviews".

The email will also include the Zoom link/s you will need to "attend" your interview/s so be sure to save the link/s in a location that will be easily accessible come your interview time.

Please connect to Zoom a few minutes prior to your scheduled time. You will be placed in the 'waiting room'. When the teacher has concluded the interview immediately preceding yours, she/he will accept you into your meeting.

NOTE - Interviews are 10 minutes. If you're booking an interview with more than one teacher, you'll need to exit one meeting and then connect to the second one. IT IS ADVISED that you allow for a 10-minute break between interviews so you have time to transition.

Wed/Nov/03 @ 9:00 am ~ PHOTO RETAKE DAY

- Check those backpacks! Student photos are coming home today!
- RETAKES - If you choose to have your child's photo retaken, you do not have the option of picking between the original photo and the retake photo. You will be given the RETAKE photo, if you order a package.
- RETAKES ~ If you choose to have your child's photo retaken, your child MUST return the original photo package to school. This is given to the photographer on Retake Day. Without it, a new photo will not be taken.
- ORDERING ~ If you wish to place an order with Lifetouch (photography company) - it must be done ONLINE. The school will not be accepting manual orders.
- CLASS PHOTOS ~ Each student will receive (at no charge - whether they place an order or not) a composite of their classmates photos.
- If you have any questions, kindly contact Mrs. Venneri.

