



Monday, October 17, 2022

A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...

Did you know that a few of our teachers have administrative duties in addition to their teaching responsibilities? I want to take this opportunity to share with you what goes on behind the scenes at WCS.

Mrs. Miles ~ She is not only head of our Student Support Services but she is also the Vice-Principal. Her VP responsibilities include oversight of the annual curriculum overviews that teachers prepare each year, assisting with the New Parents Evening, Open Houses, Pastor's Day, and acting as Principal when I am absent. Mrs. Miles is a 'go to ' person for staff and parents who may have questions or concerns.

Mr. Eyre ~ He is the Junior/Intermediate Division Head. WCS is divided into 3 Divisions - Primary (Gr. JK -3, Junior (Gr. 4-6), and Intermediate (Gr. 7-8). They meet monthly to discuss and plan items that relate specifically to their grades. Mr. Eyre leads the Junior/Intermediate Divisions as they work on ways to support students, share suggestions for field trips, curriculum ideas, and effective teaching strategies, as well as give input into new endeavors such as new progress reports and report cards. The teachers in these divisions share concerns and praise items as they pray together for their students.

Mrs. Barnes ~ She is the Primary Division Head. Her responsibilities are similar to Mr. Eyre's and, like his, also includes helping to onboard new teachers and plan Professional Development Days. This year, Mrs. Barnes is leading the Primary Division as we integrate new practices related to reading. Research put out by the Science of Reading has given us new perspectives and strategies to help teach our youngest students how to read. If you have the opportunity to pop into Mrs. Barnes' classroom, you will see her *Sound Wall* which has replaced the traditional *Word Wall*.

Working together as a team allows us to utilize the vast experience and wisdom that our teachers bring to their classrooms each and every day.

This calendar lists upcoming HIGHLIGHTS only. Refer to 2022/23 School Calendar for ALL events.			
DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
WEDNESDAY	8:35 am	Pastor's Day	Invitation attached to this email.
FRIDAY	_	Backwards Day (Dress Down)	More Information from Teachers.
FRIDAY	Lunch	Pizza Day	For students that have pre-ordered.
Wed/Oct/26	3:30 pm	DEADLINE for Christmas Bazaar Orders	See next page for details.
Thu/Oct/27 & Fri/Oct/28 ~ Professional Development Days for Staff ~ NO SCHOOL!			
Wed/Nov/02		Grade 7 & 8 Day @ TDCH	Bus to/from Woodbridge
Fri/Nov/04	Morning	Photo RETAKE Day	Student MUST bring original photo.
Fri/Nov/11	_	P.A. Day	NO SCHOOL!
Sat/Nov/19	9 am - 2 pm	Christmas Bazaar	Save the date!
Tue/Nov/22 (6:00 - 9:00 pm) & Wed/Nov/23 (4:00 - 6:00 pm) ~ Parent-Teacher Conferences			
Tue/Nov/29 - Thu/Dec/01 ~ Scholastic Book Fair (In the Gym)			

Mrs. Cathy Sallows (Principal) - <u>csallows@willowdalechristianschool.org</u>

Mrs. Miriam Venneri (Office Administrator) - <u>office@willowdalechristianschool.org</u>

PRAYER @ WCS

- Staff of the Week ~ Mr. Eyre
- Families of the Week ~ Cho, Choi (Amy & Joy), Choi (Anna & Peter), Clarance (New Family JK-A)
- Pray for Mrs. Miles as she leads a time of praise and worship during Wednesday's Worship.
- Pray for Pastor's Day (Wednesday) as we host our very special guests.

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

VOLUNTEERING

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - ORGANIZING & TAGGING GYM UNIFORM INVENTORY

There is no rush on this job. Will most likely take 1-2 hours. Contact - Mrs. Venneri

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - ASSIST with SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Week of Mon/Nov/28 - Fri/Dec/02. Sign up for a time slot at https://signup.com/go/ezdOYOv

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

STUDENT PHOTOS

All orders MUST be done ONLINE with LIFETOUCH. The school will not be collecting order forms and/or payments.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

THIS WEDNESDAY @ 8:35 am ~ PASTOR'S DAY (See attachment.)

It is not too late to invite your pastor to this special morning. Be sure to ask them to RSVP to the office, if attending.

Sat/Nov/19 @ 9:00 am - 2:00 pm ~ CHRISTMAS BAZAAR (See attachments.)

VENDORS ~ Our goal is to fill the gym with different shopping opportunities for our community so we are looking for vendors for that day. Vendor Fee = \$55 (\$45 for WCS families). To reserve your table, email wcsbazaar@yahoo.ca to ensure we do not already have a table of your category, and submit the vendor fee via e-transfer (with your name + VENDOR in the memo line) to payment@willowdalechristianschool.org) or via cheque made payable to WCS. Once payment has been received, we will send you a confirmation email.

SCHOOL FAMILIES ~ Please use the attached (printed) Order Form as the previous one had several price errors. All prices on the Google form are correct. A VSS is NOT required to work at the Bazaar since it is a community event. Newly Added - Gingerbread cookies can now be ordered online. Each cookie is \$4 or 3 for \$11. These cookies are big (14cm height x 10.5cm width).

