

THE WEEKLY

Monday, October 3, 2022



A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...

I need to say a special THANK YOU to Adrian & Alina Terec for finding new homes for the items in the gym! After selling the gym mat and door on kijiji, they then delivered the desks and chairs to a school who were very appreciative of them. I am thankful for all their hard work and sales acumen!

Speaking of being thankful, we are heading into Thanksgiving this coming weekend. Like I do every year, I have been pondering all that I am thankful for. That list always includes my own salvation, the people I love, my warm cozy home and autumn (my favourite season). But this year feels a little different. I am keenly aware of how thankful I am for time - time to savour and enjoy my last year in a job I love. Even saying the word 'job' seems inappropriate for doing what I get to do everyday. I am trying to slow down and be thankful for so many things - the sounds of kindergarten students outside my office ("we're not s'posed to put our shoes there!", "my mommy says my daddy watches too much TV"), seeing and hearing all the students outside together, observing our new students settling in to the rhythms of WCS, chatting to parents outside in the morning and afternoon, hearing laughter once again in the staff room, hearing the early 'toots' and 'honks' coming from the Gr. 7 & 8 Band classes, and having students visit me to show me work they have done! I am so conscious this year, more so than any other year, of all I have to be thankful to God for at WCS.

How about you? I encourage you to slow down at some point in the coming week and thank God for the blessings in your life. (See "7 Days of Gratitude" attached to this email.)

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

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Fri/Oct/07	Lunch	Pizza Day	For students that have pre-ordered.
Mon/Oct/10	—	Thanksgiving Day	NO SCHOOL!
Wed/Oct/19	Morning	Pastor's Day (Check those backpacks!)	Eldest child bringing home invitation!
Fri/Oct/21	—	Backwards Day (Dress Down)	More Information from Teachers
Thu/Oct/27 & Fri/Oct/28 ~ Professional Development Days for Staff ~ NO SCHOOL!			
Mon/Nov/07	—	Ultimate Frisbee Tournament	Off Site
Fri/Nov/11	—	P.A. Day	NO SCHOOL!
Wed/Nov/16	—	Volleyball Tournament (Girls & Boys Teams)	Off Site
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) - csallows@willowdalechristianschool.org

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

PRAYER @ WCS

- Staff of the Week ~ Mrs. Barnes
- Families of the Week ~ Bouwma, Cha, Chan (New - K-A), Chen (Grace & Yien)
- Pray for Mrs. Barnes and her class as they lead Wednesday Worship ~ Thanksgiving

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

Contact Person ~ Surance Tunggal (WCS Parent) wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com.

Email Surance directly and she will provide you with the Zoom link.

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

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

ULTIMATE FRISBEE & VOLLEYBALL TRY-OUTS (Gr. 6-8)

Gr. 6 - 8 students are invited to tryout for Ultimate Frisbee and Volleyball this week. Teams will be decided after all tryouts have finished. Students may try out for BOTH teams. (Frisbee is a co-ed team. Volleyball will have a Boys Team and a Girls Team). Tournament Dates ~ Ultimate Frisbee on Mon/Nov/07 - and - Volleyball on Wed/Nov/16.

Try-Out Schedule for Ultimate Frisbee

TODAY & TOMORROW @ 3:45 - 4:45 pm

IF YOUR CHILD IS TRYING OUT - YOU MUST EMAIL Ms. Kim (jkim@willowdalechristianschool.org) AS TO HOW YOUR CHILD WILL BE GETTING HOME. Please inform the office if your child will NOT be on the bus.

Try-Out Schedule for Boys Volleyball

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY @ Lunch Recess

Try-Out Schedule for Girls Volleyball

THURSDAY @ 3:45 - 4:45 pm

IF YOUR CHILD IS TRYING OUT - YOU MUST EMAIL Mrs. Miles (dmiles@willowdalechristianschool.org) AS TO HOW YOUR CHILD IS GETTING HOME. Please inform the office if your child will NOT be on the bus.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR



Wed/Oct/19 @ 8:35 am ~ PASTOR'S DAY

We are hosting a Pastor's Day and we would love to have your pastor/s join us! They are warmly invited to a time of worship, followed by light refreshments. There will be an opportunity for them to visit the classroom/s to see your child/ren in their daily learning environment. This afternoon your ELDEST child will bring home a hard copy of the invitation. (If you would like more copies, simply email Mrs. Venneri and she will gladly send more home.) We are also attaching a soft copy to this email in case you would like to email your pastor instead.

Fri/Nov/04 ~ CHANGE OF DATE ON SCHOOL CALENDAR - PHOTO RETAKE DAY

For students who wish to have a Photo Retake done - please note that the photographer will be back at the school on Friday, November 4 (and not Wednesday, November 2). It's important for you to know that if you choose to have a retake done, that photo becomes the ONLY photo you can order. You do not get to choose between the original and the second picture. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mrs. Venneri.

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

Plans are underway for our Christmas Bazaar at WCS! **We will be back in person! YAY!** We would love to see you again this year! We want to fill our 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 + WCS VENDOR in the memo line or via cheque payable to the school). Once payment has been received, we will send you an email indicating your table is confirmed. Please note - all questions should be emailed to the Bazaar Committee (not the office.)

