

THE WEEKLY

Monday, April 14, 2025



Thoughts from our Principal ...

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, “Who is this?”

The crowds answered, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”

~ Matthew 21:9-11 (NIV)

Yesterday was Palm Sunday! Jesus rode triumphantly into Jerusalem on a colt. The crowds were stirring and the palm branches were waving. The Messiah is here! Can you picture yourself there, praising the Son of David as He entered the city? Can you imagine the hype and the vibe? “Hosanna” in the highest heaven! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

We serve a powerful Saviour – loving, merciful and sacrificial.

We are entering the week ahead that is called “Holy Week,” the days leading to the cross and resurrection of Jesus. It is a roller coaster of events and emotions. From the celebration on Palm Sunday and then the sombre and reflective journey towards Golgotha on Good Friday.

But as we have often heard, and we know deep in the fabric of our being...Easter is coming!

I was in a church skit this past weekend where my acting partner and I bantered comically back and forth where I complained about my “most horrible day in the history of the world.” One of the lines from the skit was this, “Easter is actually the story of how the very worst thing to ever happen actually brought about the BEST thing to ever happen!”

Easter is the BEST thing that EVER happened. Our King of Kings and Lord of Lords suffered, died, was crucified and rose again to conquer death that we may have life eternal!

Just as the crowds on Palm Sunday who witnessed Jesus enter Jerusalem asked, “Who is this?” may we with believers across the globe respond with a resounding, “This is Jesus, the Prophet from Nazareth in Galilee!”

From the Staff at WCS, blessings to you at Easter!

We serve a risen Saviour!

This calendar lists upcoming HIGHLIGHTS only. Refer to 2024/25 School Calendar for ALL events.

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Mon/Apr/14	LUNCH	E2F LUNCH	For those that have ordered.
Tue/Apr/15	7:00PM	WCS OPEN HOUSE	Referrals are best!
Wed/Apr/16	8:35AM	GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP on WEDNESDAY	All are welcome!
Apr/16 & 22	LUNCH	E2F LUNCH	For those that have ordered.
Thurs/Apr/17	10:15AM	GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY	Invitation Attached
Fri/Apr/18 & Mon/Apr/21		GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER MONDAY	No School!
Tue/Apr/22	8:35AM	EASTER MONDAY SERVICE on TUESDAY	All are welcome!
Tue/Apr/22	—	EARTH DAY- NEIGHBOURHOOD CLEANUP	Refer to individual Class Weekly

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PRAYER @ WCS

Weekly Parents Prayer Zoom Meeting: Tuesdays @ 8:00 pm

- Wednesday Worship ~ Good Friday Service will be lead by Ms. Rosalie Tsang
- Staff of the Week: Mrs. Yana Lee (Grade 2 Teacher)
- Families of the Week: *Plaxton (Gr.5/3), Pratt (Gr.5/4), Rothe (Gr.8), Sanchez (Gr.1), Santiago (Gr.6/6)*
- Contact Person ~ Claudia & Cissy (WCS Parents) wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com.
- *Please feel free to email your prayer requests throughout the year.*

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

COMING TO SCHOOL ON TIME – Please keep in mind to be on time for your classes. In this way, you are showing respect for your teachers' and classmates' time. Interrupting the classroom when you arrive late numerous times is disruptive to all. Thank you so much for making an effort to improve. This is important.

PARKING LOT – As a reminder, we have removed parking along the church (directly across the school) so that oncoming traffic can flow straight through the parking lot without trying to avoid any parked vehicles. Our specific requests to help with this current initiative are:

- 1) Please be aware of the pylons and do not park along the side of the church, in the morning and afternoon;
- 2) Continue to park along the fence with a 1 meter distance, entering and exiting carefully;
- 3) Where possible, do not park in the flow of traffic; please fill parking spots along the fence before parking in the middle (opposite to where the staff are now parking). Thank you for your cooperation!

WCS OPEN HOUSE—TUESDAY, APRIL 15

Please invite friends to our Open House that is taking place on Tuesday, April 15 starting at 7:00 pm. This is a great way to tell others about our wonderful school.

GRANDPARENTS DAY—THURSDAY, APRIL 17—*Invitations attached to forward.*

We are excited to have our Grandparents and Special Friends join us this Thursday. As in the past, parents do not typically attend due to limited space. We are working towards class performances being available for parents. If there is a specific mobility or language need for our elderly guests, please contact the office ahead of time.

WCS 65th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: FORWARD TOGETHER—SATURDAY, MAY 3 at 2-5pm

The day is soon approaching and we ask for families to please **RSVP** for the upcoming event. This is an adult only event. Childcare is available and is asked to reserve in advance using the RSVP link. While there is no cost to the event, there will be an opportunity to give a freewill offering. [RSVP Link](#).

- We are also seeking donations for our silent and live auctions, with items or services valued at \$40 or more if possible. Proceeds from the auction will directly support the school's programs and initiatives.
- ***If you are able to contribute, please fill out the form and drop off the items to the school office: [Donation Form](#).***
- Lastly, we need 5-6 outdoor canopies/ marquees to provide shade during the event. If you're able to lend us one (or some!), please email la.betty@gmail.com.
- Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely, the ***Forward Together Organizing Committee***

FUN FAIR COMMITTEE

We're looking for parent volunteers to join the planning committee for the end of year Fun Fair on Fri., Jun 13! This is a great opportunity to get involved, share ideas, and help organize a fun-filled event. If you're interested, please email Candy at candy.lanois@gmail.com. Note that we will be recruiting for parent volunteers for the day-of event. later in May.

PARENTING WORKSHOP ON BEHAVIOUR & LEARNING

For those who are interested in the parenting workshop on Behaviour & Learning but couldn't attend, please see attached for the video recording which will be available until April 22.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1h48RkS1taG5qbWlQsSFO1hCVybrP62Hw/view?usp=drive_link

