



Monday, November 18, 2024

Thoughts from our Principal ...

Spicy Jamaican Patties. Cheese orders. Pink flowers and butterflies. Orange balloon hats. Poinsettias. Video games. Skates. Books. Games and toys. Nerd and Airheads. Kimbap. Hot sauce. E2F. Christmas cookies and Gingerbread.

Guess where I was this past Saturday. That's right – the WCS Christmas Bazaar!

I am learning, after my first time attending, that there are MANY, MANY people who made this bazaar the wonderful, fun-loving, money-making, food-tasting, game-playing, people-meeting, candy-buying event that it was!

A HUGE THANK YOU to the committee members and parents who spent a great deal of time organizing the bazaar. Many thanks to all who attended, who purchased items and foods, who volunteered their time, who cooked and cleaned, who planned and organized, who slept late and woke up early to make the bazaar a fantastic success!

Most of all, THANK YOU for the sense of community that grew because of the bazaar, because of people like you who participated in a variety of ways! Looking forward to the next bazaar!

This calendar lists upcoming HIGHLIGHTS only. Refer to 2024/25 School Calendar for ALL events.			
DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Wed/Nov/20	_	VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT	Off-Site
Thu/Nov/21	3:50-9PM	PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES	Sign up here!
Fri/Nov/15	LUNCH	PIZZA LUNCH	For those that have ordered.
Mon/Nov/15 —Wed/Nov/27		ANNUAL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR	In the gym
Wed/Nov/27	LUNCH	PASTA LUNCH	For those that have ordered.
Wed/Nov/27	7PM	AGM MEMBERSHIP MEETING	In the gym
Fri/Nov/29	_	BOOK CHARACTER DAY	Dress up as a character/Dress-code
Mon/Dec/02	3:30PM	LUNCH ORDER FORMS DUE	Payments must be received on time.
Wed/Dec/18	8:40 & 7PM	WCS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION	In the Gym
Thu/Dec/19		RED & GREEN DAY	Dress down Day
Fri/Dec/20		SKATING @GOULDING ARENA	More details to follow from teachers

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PRAYER @ WCS

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

- Wednesday Worship ~ will be led by Miss Ross who will be teaching the Armour of God: Jesus our Commander
- Staff of the Week: Mrs. Barnes (Grade 1)
- Families of the Week: Abuharoon (Gr.3&SK-B), Ailabouni (SK-A), Akingbade (Gr.8), Amoabeng (Gr.6/4/2)
- Contact Person ~ Claudia & Cissy (WCS Parents) wcsprayerbox@yahoo.com.
- Please feel free to email your prayer requests throughout the year.

SAVE THE DATE!

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS: Thursday, November 21 @3:50PM-9:00PM

Each interview is allotted 10minutes and we ask that families be mindful of their scheduled time. Please take time to go over the Progress Reports with your child(ren) as teachers have worked hard to learn about your child(ren) and provide initial evaluations for the first nine weeks of the school year. The online portal is open for registration and will close today, Monday, November 18 at 3:30pm. Here is the link: https://schoolinterviews.ca/code/rqu9x

SCHOLASTIC BOOKFAIR—November 25–27

We're excited to announce that the fun and excitement of an in-school Scholastic Book Fair is soon approaching! Come discover new and bestselling titles coming right to our school.

Bonus: All purchases earn Scholastic Dollars that can be redeemed for books and educational resources for our school's classroom libraries. Happy reading!

If you are available to help making this year's book fair a smashing success, please sign up to be a volunteer at: https://signup.com/go/ZeicYVs



FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING—November 27 @7PM

WCS has a Board of Trustees which oversees the principal, providing leadership, oversight, and strategic direction for the school. This board is appointed by the membership of the school's society - ours is called "Calvin Christian School Society". This group of members is made up of current parents and even community members or past parents. Anybody can attend and anyone can become a member by completing the membership form (one time only) and paying the annual membership fee. Please read the attached letter for more information. This information is also posted on the school website under "Parent Information and Forms". You even get Service hours just for attending, and there will be refreshments served.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION: Wednesday, December 18 @8:40AM & 7PM Please add this special date to your calendars! Mrs. Leung is working hard with the students to prepare a Christmas presentation of singing and band playing. There will be 2 performances to accommodate all attendees.



THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

LUNCH ORDERS—DEADLINE DECEMBER 2

Please see the two links to order lunch for your children for the second half of the year (January-June, 2025). The first link is in support of the Grade 6, 7, and 8 field trips and the second is to support our E2F (Equipped to Flourish) building campaign.

https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/5d17368b-7757-4849-a4b3-41d91b75df62https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/b320082a-8fec-41cf-9131-cb79cc4c217c

TUTORING AT WCS

We are pleased to announce that we are offering tutoring on Monday through Thursday after school for students in Grade 4-8. This is coordinated by Eric Pai who has plenty of experience in this area. A number of former WCS students are sharing their academic gifts and time to support our students with extra practice or homework support. We have a limited number of spaces available, but if you are interested in more information about the subjects, times, and cost please contact Mrs. Wells.