

THE WEEKLY

Monday, September 16, 2024



A Few Thoughts from our Principal ...

It is a deep blessing to be able to join with fellow Christ-followers in a time of reading the Bible and praying together. Last week Monday, our staff started the devotion schedule for this coming school year. I had the privilege of leading the first one and selected a passage that we also used in the assembly on the following Wednesday.

Among so many take-aways from this rich passage, Romans 12 provides important teachings and reminders for all of us, younger and older. In fact, when we read a variety of translations, there are different ways to understand what we may have read numerous times in the past. Here is Romans 12:9-13 which may have often been heard in the New International Version:

Love in Action (Romans 12:9-13)

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality

We are a family of believers, each with different gifts and skills, performing various roles and functions. Students, parents, staff and community members all help contribute to being a cohesive and compassionate body of Christ. So as we begin a new school year, let us do our best to extend hospitality to each other, welcoming the new families to WCS as well as the returning ones. Let us be kind and polite, learning each other's names, holding the door for others, listening intently, inviting new players to a game of soccer, and saying our "please" and "thank you's." These are just some ways to honour one another, being devoted in hope and showing love that is sincere. Keep your spiritual fervor, WCS, as we serve our Lord, together.

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

DATE	TIME	EVENT	TAKE NOTE
Tue/Sep/17	7:30 pm	New Parents Meeting (Via Zoom)	Zoom Link will be sent
Wed/Sep/18	8:40-9:00am	WEDNESDAY WORSHIP	All Welcome. See you in the gym!
Wed/Sep/18	3:45 pm	1st Tae Kwon Do Lesson	Registration Form Attached
Fri/Sep/20	—	Lunch Order Form Due	Online Order Form
Mon/Sep/23	—	Professional Development Day for Staff	NO SCHOOL!
Thu/Sep/26	Morning	TERRY FOX RUN (Dress Down Day)	More Information from Teachers
Fri/Sep/29	—	Truth & Reconciliation Day	Orange T-Shirt (Dress Down)
Tue/Oct/1	OFF SITE	Girls & Boys (Gr. 6-8) Soccer Tournament	Parent Drivers Needed!

Mrs. Patty Schuurman (Principal) - pschuurman@willowdalechristianschool.org

Mrs. Elisa Santiago (Office Administrator) - office@willowdalechristianschool.org

PRAYER @ WCS

*Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.
~ Mark 11:24*

Did you know that our school hosts a Weekly Parents Prayer Meeting (via Zoom)?
It will begin this **Tue/Sep/17 @ 8:00 pm** and will be held every Tuesday evening at that same time.
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

NEW FAMILIES ZOOM MEETING: Tuesday, September 17 @7:30pm

Please expect an email with the link by latest tomorrow afternoon. If you have not received the email by then, please email Mrs. Schuurman requesting the link. pschuurman@willowdalechristianschool.org

TERRY FOX RUN (Dress Down Day)

The WCS Terry Fox Run will be taking place on **Thursday, September 26** this year. Pledge sheets were taken home last week. Donations can also be made online at: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/WillowdaleChristianSchlNorthYork>.

We've all been impacted by cancer and we can all be part of finding a cure!



WCS SPELL-A-THON: We're excited to announce that the WCS Spell-a-thon is on **November 1st, 2024!** This year, we are aiming to raise \$100 per family, replacing the chocolate sales. This fundraiser will cover the cost of transportation for school activities/field trips. Thank you!

HOT LUNCH: Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the online Lunch program September-December, 2024. Deadline Sept. 20.

E2F LUNCH: Information is to come later this fall.

GIRLS SOCCER PRACTICE: Will be held on Mondays & Wednesdays from 3:45-4:45pm. Drivers needed!

BOYS SOCCER PRACTICE: Will be held on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 3:45-4:30pm. Drivers needed!

RESERVED PARKING SPOT: Please leave this space open to the WONG family who won the parking spot at our fundraising dinner. Keep this in mind for next years bids!

DROP-OFF/PICK-UP: Reminder to LEAVE SPACE when parking along the fence. We ask that you walk ALONG THE FENCE then cross to get to your car. Please inform other members who are dropping off/picking up students so that we can keep our parking lot safe.

Please continue to drop students off at the gate or front entrance (if late) so that your child(ren) can enter the building on their own.

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

TERRY FOX RUN (Dress Down Day): Thursday, September 26

We are still in need of 6 parent volunteers! Please contact Miss Ross (sross@willowdalechristianschool.org)

WCS SPELL-A-THON: Friday, November 1st

We are looking for three volunteers to join the committee and help with planning this fun and educational event.

Please contact Cissy (ho99@hotmail.com)

SERVICE SATURDAY: Saturday, November 2nd 9:30-12:30pm

We are asking for 4 volunteers to help with the maintenance of the outdoor landscaping. Another 4 volunteers to help organize and sort the storage room and other odd indoor jobs.

WCS SOCIAL MEDIA HELP: Asking for **one parent** to help lead the social media of the school events throughout the year. This will cover the service hours for the entire school year. Please contact the office if interested:

office@willowdalechristianschool.org

DIGITAL MARKETING HELP! We are looking for an artsy parent to help create digital posters for our upcoming school fundraising campaigns. Fundraising hours will be provided. If you have a passion for creating stunning visual designs and are proficient with Canva/photoshop, we want to hear from you! Please contact candy.lanois@gmail.com if you're able to help.