

# What's Happening in November?

## October 25

December Hot Lunch Menu  
Open for Ordering

## November 1

Town of Wainwright Advent  
Calendar Food Drive Begins

## November 5

Remembrance Day Virtual  
Assemblies 10:45 AM

## November 7

Daylight Savings Time Ends,  
Clocks go back an hour

## November 8 to 12

No School For Students,  
Enjoy the week off!

## November 15 to 19

Parent Teacher Meetings

## November 18

Scholastic Virtual Book Fair  
Begins

## November 22

School Council Virtual  
Meeting 7:00 PM

## November 25

December Hot Lunch Orders  
and Payments &  
Purdy's Orders Due Today

## November 29

Kindergarten Association of  
Parents Meeting 7:00 PM

## November 30

Last Day to Order from the  
Book Fair



NOVEMBER 2021

## Principal's Message

November is a month where we connect with our community in a number of ways. First, on the morning of November 5<sup>th</sup>, each classroom will hold their own Remembrance Day service, the grade 4's will be featured in a video reading the poem In Flanders Fields, and at 11:00 AM we will play the Last Post and Reveille over the intercom for the whole school to hear together. It is an honour to take this time to remember and recognize the past and present sacrifices our armed forces and their families have made to keep Canada strong and free. Thank you!

Another opportunity for us to connect will be our parent teacher conferences. These will be a little different this year in that we will be meeting by video through Google Meet. We will still be able to discuss and share your child's progress and successes in the classroom, and it will be an opportunity for you to ask questions about your child's progress and share important information about your child. Due to this format the parent teacher conferences/student success meetings are scheduled and spread out during the mid-November. We look forward to the opportunity of connecting and talking with you.

*Remembrance Day  
Virtual Assemblies  
will be held from  
10:45 to 11:00 am on  
November 5<sup>th</sup>.*

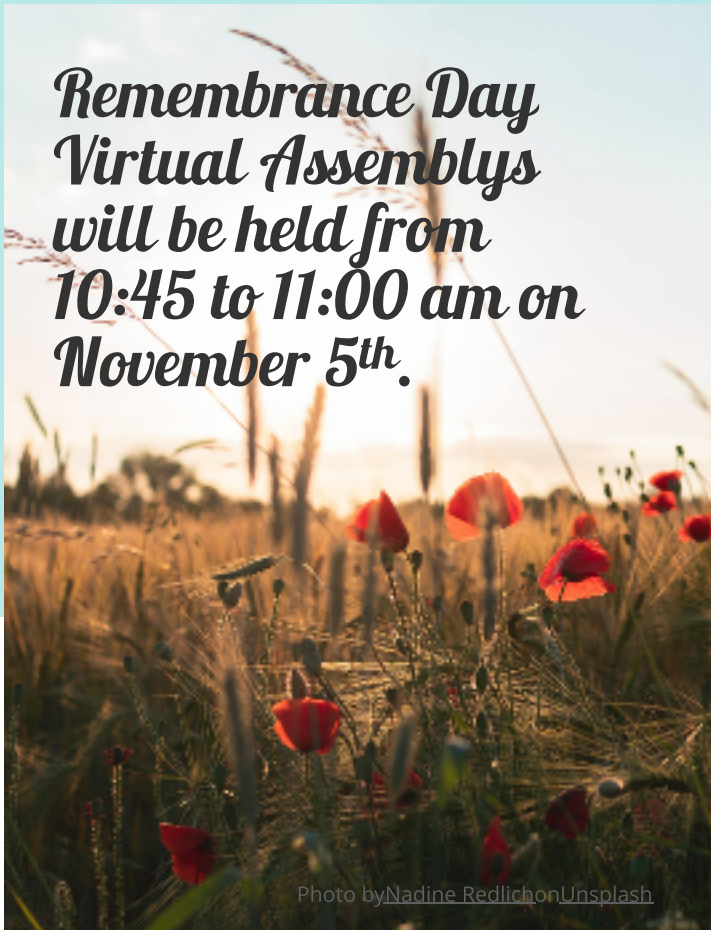


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**Daylight Saving Time Ends  
November 7<sup>th</sup>, don't forget  
to set your clocks back  
one hour.**

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We have some exciting news for our WES family! We have been selected to receive the new Earth Rangers Virtual Presentation for free, thanks to the generous sponsorship from Gibson Energy.

On November 5<sup>th</sup>, in the afternoon, our students will get to enjoy a 45 minute, interactive virtual experience that features:

- ▶ Real time broadcasting live from the Earth Rangers Centre
- ▶ Immersive and engaging technology, such as green screens, and interactive segments
- ▶ Live animals demonstrating their amazing natural behaviours
- ▶ Curriculum links
- ▶ An exciting 'choose your own adventure'-style narrative that let's students take an active role in the experience
- ▶ Cooperative game play elements to further encourage student participation

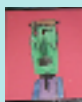
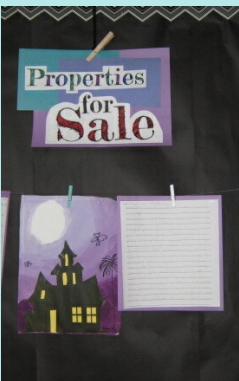
Our students are going to love it! We would like to thank to Gibson Energy for sponsoring this fantastic event for our students. We are grateful for your generosity and appreciate your continued support!



# Halloween

Thank you to all our parents for taking the time to drop off forgotten costumes. We had a fantastic day!

We'd like to remind you that if you are sending Halloween candy to school in the coming weeks that it is only one or two small, peanut/nut free treats. As a courtesy to our custodians, please do not send pop in your child's lunch. If a student does bring pop to school we will send it back home.



# Virtual Book Fairs

## Save The Date!

Dear families,

Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! To adapt to our changing needs, Scholastic has developed a **Virtual Book Fair** to provide an opportunity for our students and families to experience the joy of reading together.

So save the date! Our **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair** will take place on **November 18 to 30, 2021**

When it's time to shop, visit our school's **Virtual Book Fair** site using this link:

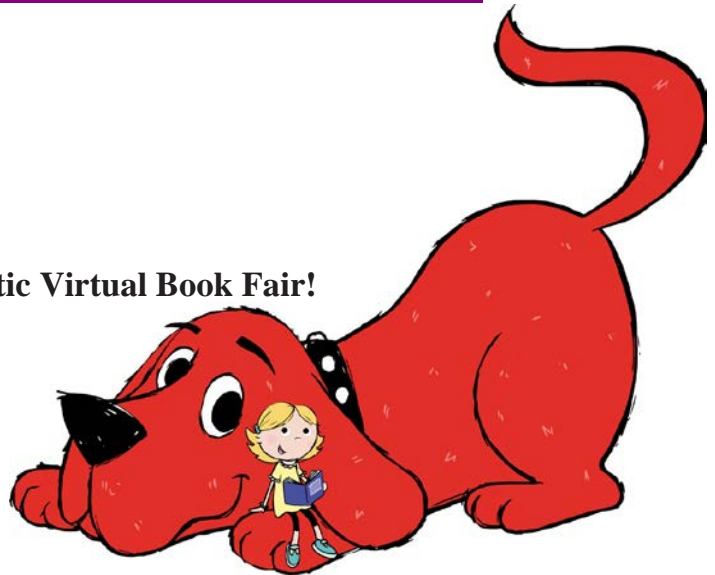
<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5166569>

Before our Fair begins, click the link to:

- **SAVE** it to your browser
- **WATCH** videos of popular new titles
- **PREVIEW** our Featured Books

Watch for news leading up to our **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair!**

Happy reading!



# Digital Reporting of Grades

Students in Grades 1 to 6 will have their Outcomes Based grades reported digitally through Parent Portal. If you don't have a Parent Portal account, or need some help navigating the site, please contact us at [wes@btps.ca](mailto:wes@btps.ca) or phone the school office at (780)842-3361. Even if technology is not your friend, Parent Portal is an easy to use program that has a convenient app you can put on your phone. Our Kindergarten parents will receive their child's Early Years Evaluation for the first reporting period in the first week of November.

## Picture Retakes

Picture retakes will be in the afternoon on November 16<sup>th</sup>. All students who did not get their picture taken in September will have the opportunity to get their picture taken, as well as any students who didn't like their first picture and would like them redone. Let your child's teacher know if you'd like retakes, or send back the proof package with retakes written on it to the office.

## Parent Teacher Meetings

Meetings will be held through a virtual platform or over the phone, whichever works best for our families. Your child's teacher will be contacting you to set up a day and time to meet with you in the month of November. If you have any questions please contact your child's teacher directly since the office will not have the meeting schedule.

## School Council Meetings

The next School Council Meeting is November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

We welcome all parents to join us at our next meeting! If you can't attend or want to know more information you can email us at [wescouncilparent@gmail.com](mailto:wescouncilparent@gmail.com).

This is a low commitment group that will let you as a parent get to know what is happening here at WES! You have the opportunity to ask questions, show your appreciation, gain understanding, and be an active part in your child's school.

We look forward to seeing you there!



# WEPA is Fundraising with Purdy's!

Do something *awesome*  
(for yourself and us, too!)

Support our fundraising campaign by purchasing Purdy's chocolates!  
Made with sustainable cocoa and crafted right here in Canada.

We have *lots* of selection and great gifting ideas, too!



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[fundraising.purdys.com](https://fundraising.purdys.com)



**Ordering is easy:** Just go to [WEPA Purdy's Fundraiser](#) or Scan the QR code with your phone. Select Register, then Register as a Supporter, join the campaign using our **Campaign Code 60108**, and place your order. **It's just that simple.**

**Order deadline:** November 25, 2021.

**Orders arrive:** By December 12<sup>th</sup> in time for Christmas!



# November Food Drive

Throughout November our school will be participating in the Advent Calendar Food Drive being put on by the Town of Wainwright. This is not mandatory, however if your family would like to participate with us, please send in what you can, when you can. The items needed are listed below, you don't have to wait for the Advent Day to send your donation in, send them in whenever it works for you in the month of November. We will be bagging and boxing items daily to take to the Wainwright Food Bank at the beginning of December.



- November 1 - Box of Cereal
- November 2 - Peanut Butter
- November 3 - Stuffing Mix
- November 4 - Juice
- November 5 - Macaroni and Cheese
- November 6 - Canned Fruit
- November 7 - Canned Tomatoes
- November 8 - Canned Tuna
- November 9 - Hot Chocolate
- November 10 - Jar of Applesauce
- November 11 - Gravy Mix
- November 12 - Cranberry Sauce
- November 13 - Canned Beans
- November 14 - Box of Crackers

- November 15 - Package of Rice
- November 16 - Package of Oatmeal
- November 17 - Package of Pasta
- November 18 - Spaghetti Sauce
- November 19 - Chicken Noodle Soup
- November 20 - Tomato Soup
- November 21 - Can of Corn
- November 22 - Can of Mixed Vegetables
- November 23 - Chocolates
- November 24 - Can of Green Beans
- November 25 - Cake Mix
- November 26 - Icing Mix
- November 27 - Pickles
- November 28 - Canned Pasta



We would like to thank Marie Isaman, our outgoing Trustee for her years of serving our school and community. We appreciate everything you have done for us and wish you the best of luck!

We are very excited to welcome Stephanie Cooper as our new Trustee. Some of you may remember her as a former employee of WES and WHS. We look forward to working with her again and having her represent our schools.

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# Learn where to turn for support

Family violence can happen to anyone and you are not alone. When home is no longer safe, help is available 24/7 by calling the **Family Violence Info Line at 310-1818** or chat online at [alberta.ca/SafetyChat](https://alberta.ca/SafetyChat) where trained professionals will help you learn #WhereToTurn.

Speak out when you see violence happening and help those at risk learn #WhereToTurn.

