

Wainwright Elementary School

September was jam packed with activities from Spirit Week all the way through to our Family BBq and Open House. It was great to have our families back in the building for several events in September.

We know October will be another busy month with all the extracurricular activities starting up and families making plans for Thanksgiving. Not to mention all the Halloween decorating taking place. Whatever you are up to this month, we hope you are able to find time to reconnect with family and friends. Maybe you'll even be able to set a little time aside for some self-care and to reflect on everything you are grateful for.

We are looking forward to the upcoming activities and hope you are too. To stay up-to-date on all that's happening at WES, check out our <u>calendar</u> and make sure you're reading the information coming home from teachers.

What's Happening at WES? October 2024

Upcoming Events

October 7 **Fire Prevention Presentations October 9** Running Club Wind-Up 12:00 PM **October 14** Thanksgiving, No School **October 15** After School Volleyball Wind-Up October 24 November Hot Lunch Orders Due **October 28** WEPA Meeting 6:00 PM Parent Council Meeting 7:00 PM **October 30 Picture Retakes October 31** School Halloween Costume Parade & Dance

Text Messages

If you'd like to start receiving text messages from the school, text Y to 978338. We send texts for attendance, illnesses, forgotten lunches, school events, and reminders.

Swimming

October 16 - 4V & 4/5W October 21 - 1B & 1H October 23 - 2P & 2R

Don't forget to bring a swimsuit and towel to school. Classes will be walking to and from the communiplex, unless it is extremely cold or pouring rain, so please dress for the weather.

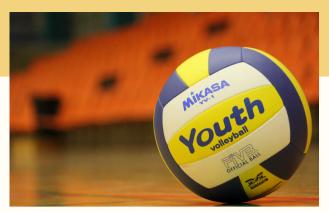
> November Hot Lunch Is Now Open for Ordering



Family BBQ & Open House

WE HAD AN AMAZING EVENING WITH ALL OF YOU!

Thank you for joining us for hot dogs, the open house, and the WEPA Bake Sale. Hopefully you stopped by to check out the plans for the new school and visit our Superintendent, Michelle Webb.



After School Volleyball

WIND UP - OCTOBER 15

After school athletic programs are made possible through the dedication of Mr. Mitchell and other school staff, who volunteer their personal time to run them. The students love these programs and we love seeing them active and having fun.

We had a large turnout for volleyball and hope to see as many or more for Floor Hockey starting in November for Grades 4, 5, & 6.



Kindergarten to grade 3 will Dance in the gym from 1:10 to 1:25 pm. The Costume Parade will take place at 1:30, followed by the grades 4 to 6 dance from 1:40 to 2:10 pm. Classes may also be holding their own classroom events in the afternoon, please check the information coming home from the teachers.





Accelerated Reading Has Started

GRADES 3 TO 6

For families who are unfamiliar with AR, it is a program designed to track student progress. Students and teachers set reading goals. After a book is read students take a quick quiz and earn points. Points earned can be used toward incentives. Students who reach their reading goals get to participate in the planned events, like the Glow Party. We would like to thank the committee for volunteering their time to run the program and plan the events, and to Mrs. Boxell for settina everything up in the background for us. Keep your eyes open for more information on the great incentives!

X-Country Running

WIND UP - OCTOBER 9

We had a phenomenal turn out this year. Fifty students from grades 4, 5, and 6 joined the running club and participated in the races, competing against other schools in and around Wainwright.

Mrs. Chaulk, Mrs. Stang & Miss Bowtell were our teacher volunteers for the running club. We are grateful that they were willing to take time out of their busy schedules to do this. This club would not be possible without them. We'd also like to thank Mr. Mitchell who helped organize and run the Riverdale race.



School Fee Invoices

SENT OUT SEPTEMBER 30

School fees are set by BTPS, and are emailed to parents. They are \$30 per student in Kindergarten, and \$60 per student in Grades 1 to 6. If you did not receive an invoice yet, check with the school office to make sure we have your correct email address.

You should have received an email about the option to pay the fees through My School Bucks (MSB) with credit card or debit credit card. Alternatives to using MSB are etransferring the school at wes@btps.ca, or stopping by the office with cash or cheque. Please note, we do not have a debit machine at the school.

Not Feeling Well?

COLD, FLU OR SOMETHING ELSE

As we head into the colder months, we kindly ask that if your child is telling you they aren't feeling well in the morning, please take a minute to do a quick assessment to decide if they should be at school.

If you have to give your child medicine for cough/cold, fever, anti-nausea, or constipation, that's an indication that they should stay home for 24 hours. They can return to school the next day, or when they are well enough to be here. We appreciate your help in keeping everyone healthy!

Looking Ahead

November 3 Daylight Saving Time Ends November 4 Scholastic Book Fair Arrives November 6 & 7 Parent Teacher Meetings 4:00 to 7:00 PM November 8 Remembrance Day Assembly November 11 to 15 No School - Fall Break

Fire Prevention



Thank to our local firefighters who stopped in to teach our students about fire prevention. It's always a good reminder to check your fire alarms at home to make sure they're working and to come up with a plan so your children know what to do in an emergency.



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