

Wainwright Elementary School



Happy November!

October was a great month, and it looks like November will be too! Our first week is busy with the Scholastic Book Fair and Parent Teacher Conferences, followed by our Remembrance Day Assembly.

After that, our families will get to enjoy an extended fall break. Hopefully all of you are all able to make plans to spend quality time together...go bowling, swimming, watch a hockey game, bake cookies...the possibilities are endless!

We are looking forward to ending our month with another family favorite event, and another way to spend quality time together, WEPA's Deck the Hallways - Ornament Decorating. We're looking forward to November and seeing all of you!

What's Happening in November?

November 1

- Scholastic Book Fair

November 3

- Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 6

- After School Floor Hockey Begins

November 6 & 7

- Parent Teacher Conferences 4 to 7 PM

November 8

- Remembrance Day Assembly 10:45 AM

November 11 to 15

- No School - Fall Break

November 21

- Hot Lunch Are Orders Due
- Deck the Hallways 6 PM

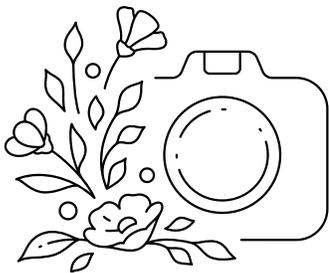
Remembrance Day Assembly November 8 10:45 AM

We would like to thank our representative from CFB Wainwright, Jocelyn Roy, for helping us plan the ceremony this year and Mrs. Wakefield for taking the time to organize everything at the school level.

As usual, parents are welcome to join us as we recognize the past and present sacrifices that members of our armed forces and their families have made. The doors will open at 10:30 am, and our ceremony will start at 10:45 am.

After School Floor Hockey

The after school floor hockey program is for students in Grade 4, 5, and 6. It will run on Tuesdays from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm starting on November 5 and ending on December 10. Students will need to have a signed permission slip from parents to participate. See Mr. Mitchell to pick up a form.



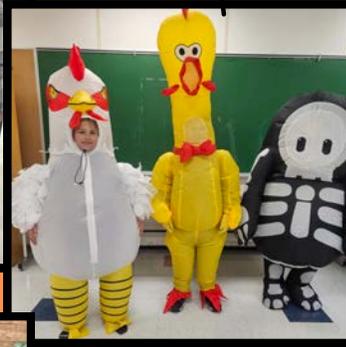
Picture Retakes & Ordering

Picture retakes were October 30, 2024. You will receive a picture proof within the next week or two. If you are wanting to receive your pictures before Christmas, we recommend ordering online within a week of receiving your proofs.

Halloween Treats

If you're sending Halloween treats to school with your child, please make sure they are peanut/nut free and that it is only one or two small treats. Pop sent to school will be returned home with your child to enjoy over the weekend. We appreciate your understanding.





Staff and students really got into the Halloween spirit this year!

Can't wait to see what they do next year!



Our local Boston Pizza still runs their Operation Education Rebate Program. For every receipt WES sends to them, we get a small percentage of cash back based on the pre-tax total on the receipt. How can families help? If you eat out at the Wainwright Boston Pizza, simply bring your receipt, or a duplicate receipt, to the school and a portion of the total will come back to us. It can add up fast! The funds we receive we put right back into student activities and accelerated reading.

Kindergarten Fundraiser

Kindergarten is holding a winter fundraiser with Growing Smiles. They have several options available, see below.. Anyone interested in ordering will need to get a hold of a Kindergarten parent. Orders are expected to arrive on December 5 with pick up times to be determined, location of pick up will be on the stage in the gym. If anything changes, we'll notify parents.



3' Premium Poinsettia
A Holiday favourite! Brighten up any room this winter with a vibrant poinsettia. Available in red and white, the poinsettia is perfect for your home, hotel, restaurant and bank over the holidays.



Indoor Tropical Planter
Add a festive look to your table with a mixed tropical planter. There are four different plant varieties planned in these rectangular holiday-themed pots. Planter container designs do vary and cannot be requested.



Holiday Wreath
A Holiday Wreath is a classic door upgrade. Fresh holly, cedar and juniper decorated with a large gold bow, holly pine cones and red berries are sure to give you and your guests a holiday warmth feeling from the outside.



Outdoor Greenery Arrangement
Welcome your guests in from the cold with this large, beautiful and fresh holiday greenery arrangement. Pinecones, berries and a large red bow complete the festive look. Standing at 3 feet, tall this statement piece is sure to inspire the joyful spirit.



Hanging Greenery Arrangement
Give your front entrance a festive holiday look with this hanging greenery arrangement. Complete the look with holiday pine cones, berries and a gold bow. Last! It is perfect for your home and hangs from your door.



Assortment Greenery Arrangement Box
12" Diameter pot
2 feet tall and 13 to 16" wide

Book Fair Hours

Students will be allowed to shop during their regular library period and parents looking to shop for an upcoming birthday or Christmas present can stop by during Parent Teacher Conferences, or at a time in the afternoon that works for them on one of the days below.

November 1

- 12:15 to 3:25 PM

November 4

- 12:15 to 3:25 PM

November 5

- 12:15 to 3:25 PM

November 6

- 12:15 to 3:25 PM
- 4:00 to 7:00 PM

November 7

- 12:15 to 3:25 PM
- 4:00 to 7:00 PM



Parent Teacher Conferences November 6 & 7 4:00 to 7:00 PM

Teachers are hoping to meet with all their student's parents during this round of PTC. To schedule a day and time that works best for you and your family go to <https://wes.btps.ca/bookings>, or phone the school office and we will book you in where available.

To help us stay on schedule we ask that you arrive a couple minutes early. We also ask that you wait outside the class until the teacher invites you in, in case they are in another meeting.

We hope you can make it!

Parent Portal and Digital Reporting of Grades

Grade 1 to 6 students grades are reported digitally through Parent Portal. In order for parents to see their children's grades, they will need to have an account set up. If you don't have an account, please contact the school office and we will set up one for you.

For anyone with an existing account who may be having trouble accessing it, we recommend trying the following steps to troubleshoot:

- Go to <https://powerschool.btps.ca/public/>
- Select Forgot Username or Password?
- Start by resetting your Username
- Once you have your new username, reset your password using your new username

If these steps don't work, contact the school office. Remember, if you're using the Powerschool Mobile App on your phone, you'll need to log out and log back in using your new username and password.

Students in Kindergarten, the first report you receive will be the Early Years Evaluation which will come home to you in an email from the school office on November 4th. Kindergarten progress is not currently in Parent Portal, however our division is working on it. More information will go home as soon as it's available.

Santa's Workshop Calling for Donations

In anticipation of this year's Santa's Workshop, WEPA is once again looking for donations of gently used/new items, wrapping paper and tape to be used in the shop. They are really hoping to receive items for dad's and brothers. If you can help them out, please bring your donations to the school from now until November 25th. There is a drop off zone in front of the display window by the library. Items can also be dropped off during our Parent Teacher Conferences on November 6 & 7 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm.

For anyone new to our school, the workshop allows students to purchase presents for their immediate family living in the same household, Moms, Dads, and siblings, for \$0.25 per present. Students have a lot of fun shopping, and you never know what you're going to get!



Santa's Workshop will be looking for volunteers to help run the shop, watch for the forms coming home next week if you want to join in on the fun!

Deck the Hallways Decorating

For families who ordered ornaments through the WEPA Deck the Hallways Fundraiser, the decorating night is November 21st from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the gym. Use the north doors by the gym to enter the school, pick up your ornaments at the door and proceed to the gym to decorate your ornaments at one of the stations! Thank you Beyond a Beaten Path for sponsoring this great event!





School Choir

Mrs. Barss and Ms. Propp are excited to start up the Wainwright Elementary School Choir! The choir is open to all students in grades 2 to 6 who are interested in performing. Practices will take place during the recess portion of lunch on November 19, 26, December 3, 5, 9, and 12. The choir will sing one song during the upcoming Christmas Concerts. Students will need to bring back the permission slips to participate, pick up a permission slip from them if you're interested.

Creative Kids Art Clubs

Thank you to our Wainwright on Wellness Facilitator, Kaleigh Dort for organizing and running the Art Club. Once again the club filled up on the first day. There were so many students interested that Kaleigh is considering running another one in the new year if she's able to. Keep your eyes open for the information coming home from the school. The Art Club winds-up next week: Nov. 5 for our grade 1 to 3 group, Nov. 6 for our grade 4 to 6 group.

Opt in for Texts

Just a reminder parents will need to opt in to receive text messages from the school. To start receiving texts about attendance, school events, illnesses, forgotten lunches, etc., text Y to 978338.

Coming Up...

December 2
Santa's Workshop Begins
December 18 & 19
Christmas Concert
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
December 21 to January 5
No School - Winter Break
January 6
Back to School!



We would like to thank Intact Insurance Better Communities Program for generously donating \$1500 to our Breakfast and Nutrition programs in October. Pictured above are our Principal, Mrs. DeFord, along with WES Students and local representatives with Intact Insurance. We are very grateful for your continued support!