



Willoughby Elementary School

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Upcoming Events

September 30:	Truth and Reconciliation Day – No School
October 5:	World Teachers' Day
October 8:	Individual Student Photos
October 11:	Thanksgiving Day – School not in session
October 18:	PAC Meeting 7pm
October 21:	BC Great Shake out
October 22:	Pro D Day – School not in session
November 10:	Photo retakes
November 11:	Remembrance Day- School not in session
November 12:	Design and Assessment Day – School not in session



We have had a great week of Learning at Willoughby this week! Our classes have settled and students are fully engaged in their new learning opportunities. On Friday, we had our first School Improvement Day, where staff engaged in Response to Intervention and ways to support student learning. We continue to strive to inspire all learners to reach their full potential and create a positive legacy for the future.



FALL WEATHER

Fall arrived and it is definitely cooler in the mornings. The weather is changing, and we are entering our rainy season. Our students enjoy outdoor play rain or shine. Please make sure that your children dress for the weather and it is a good idea to have some extra socks in your child's backpack. Please pack some extra clothing for your younger students! Sometimes the puddles are just so irresistible. During our warmer afternoons we collect quite a few coats that were left outside. If you are missing a jacket at home, please remind your child to check the lost and found this week.

NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Our students continue to explore the impacts of Residential Schools as we lead up to the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. One of the ways that we engage in these important conversations is through rich and meaningful picture books that allow students of all ages to access learning.



While we will be leading our students in the learning, we recognize the importance of all of our community members also engaging in the conversations. We encourage you to have conversations at home. Below are some suggestions

Orange Shirt Day

September 30th

What can you do?

-  Read books by Indigenous authors
-  Review the 94 Truth and Reconciliation calls to action and commit to at least one
-  Watch online events hosted by the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation
-  Identify and connect with your local Indigenous serving organizations
-  Read Phyllis Webstad's book "The Orange Shirt Story"



STUDENT SAFETY

Please ensure all students are using sidewalks and cross walks during drop-off and pick-up. Please do not jaywalk on 80th. It is important that we teach our student to be safe and use the designated crossing at the traffic lights. Students are not allowed to cross our driveways and drive through lanes except at the marked crosswalk, and we would ask that parents do the same. One of the ways we help our students develop safety habits is by modelling behaviours for them. Thank you so much for your help in keeping our students safe.

Student Verification, Student Reunification Release and Self-Identification of Aboriginal Ancestry (if applicable) forms now due. Please submit if you haven't done so already!

Terry Fox Week: October 4 – October 8



If you would like to make a donation, please visit your child's School Cash Online account. Whatever amount you can give will be greatly appreciated. All monies raised will be forwarded to the Terry Fox Foundation to further the cause of cancer research. Let's keep Terry's dream alive to find a cure for cancer!

Reminder



Friday, October 8 - Individual Student Photo Day
Wednesday, November 10 - Photo Retake Day

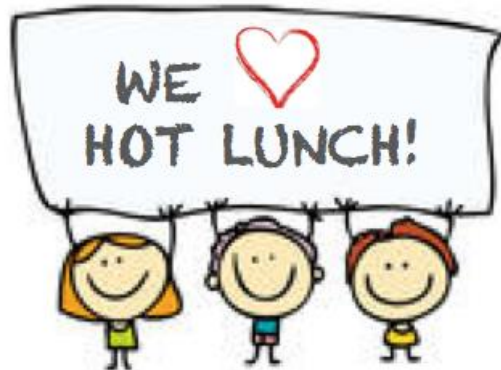
Truth and Reconciliation Day at Willoughby.

The whole school got together for a moment of silence to remember the children in residential schools.



Updated Daily Health Check

Our District's procedure is for all students to complete a daily health check at home prior to entering school and/or boarding a District bus. The Ministry of Education's Daily Health Check poster has been updated to reflect new federal regulations regarding international travel. The symptoms listed remain the same. You can find the updated print version [here](#). The updated version is being translated into multiple languages, which will be posted to the Ministry's COVID-19 Safe Schools website [here](#). Families can also continue to use the Ministry's mobile app or online version [here](#).



First hot lunch day is on Friday, October 1st. We need volunteers to help hand out the food to students. If you are available, please connect with the PAC at willoughbypac@gmail.com. Thank you.

**Community Values Coupon Book:
Please remember that the ordering deadline is on October 4. The book that was given out to students must be returned in the same new condition ASAP if you choose not to buy or sell it.**



Willoughby Elementary School Hot Lunch Program

Our online lunch ordering system is now open: www.munchalunch.com/schools/willoughby

LUNCH DATE	LUNCH/TREAT THEME	ORDER DEADLINE
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1	PANAGO & TCBY FROZEN YOGURT	SEPTEMBER 24
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15	WHITE SPOT	OCTOBER 5
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5	SUBWAY & COBS BREAD	OCTOBER 27
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26	TACO DEL MAR	NOVEMBER 16
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10	PITA PIT & FROSTINGS CUPCAKES	DECEMBER 1
FRIDAY, JANUARY 7	STREATS	DECEMBER 28
FRIDAY, JANUARY 28	PANAGO & TCBY FROZEN YOGURT	JANUARY 18

ORDERING NOTES:

- Any unpaid orders will be automatically cancelled so please be sure to make payment as soon as you have placed your order.
- When ordering Subway and Pita Pit you will be able to choose toppings at the END of your order just before you pay – don't miss this step or you will end up with a plain sub or pita 😊
- Ordering will close 10 days prior to each lunch day
- If your child is not at school on a lunch date, please send a note to: hotlunchwilloughby@gmail.com. We can set it aside for pick up at 11:45am in the school lobby but if you aren't able to pick it up, please consider it a donation as there are no refunds
- Following placing an order you will receive a confirmation to your email account. If you don't receive confirmation, your order has not been processed, please follow up immediately
- You will receive an email reminder the day before a hot lunch date with a list of what you ordered for each child

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Families: please log in to your Munch-a-lunch account and ensure your children are associated with their current school/division.

Once logged in please follow these steps:

My Family > My Children > Click the edit button next to your child > Make your current grade/division selection > Click save

Thank you for supporting our Hot Lunch Program!