

# Willoughby Elementary School

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### **Upcoming Events**

Nov 25-Nov 29:	Scholastic Bookfair	
November 27:	Student Inclusive Conferences – Students not in school due to SIC	
November 28:	Early Dismissal-12:30 pm - Student Inclusive Conferences	
December 6:	Hot Lunch & Treat Day- Hot Chocolate- PAC	
December 11:	K- Gr 2 Concert, 1 PM and 6 PM	
December 13:	Pancake Breakfast & PJ Day	
December 20:	Last Day before Winter Break Spirit Day: Tacky Movie Day	
January 6:	School reopen after winter vacation	

#### \* IMPORTANT REMINDER\*

November 27 – Student Inclusive Conference Day (non-instructional day) November 28 – Students Dismissed at 12:30 pm- Students eat lunch before dismissal December 2 – December 6: Annual Food Drive





#### Willoughby Annual Food Drive December 2-6

Just a reminder that our Food Drive will take place next week, December 2 – December 6. We were informed that there are specific foods that we sometimes forget about, but will be much appreciated e.g.,

- Boxed milk is a treasure, to be used with cereal that is often received.
- Oil is a luxury but is needed for many dishes.
- Spices or salt and pepper.
- Tea bags and coffee.
- Sugar and flour.
- Tuna and crackers make a good lunch.
- Cake mix and frosting make creating a child's birthday cake possible.
- Dishwashing detergent is costly and is always appreciated.

**Food Drive:** There will be a friendly competition between house colour teams to see which team can bring in the most non-perishable food items (e.g., canned and/or packaged goods, baby food/items). Last year, the Willoughby community donated over 1600 food items to the Langley Food Bank. Our goal is to meet and



hopefully beat this total. Donations will be collected in each classroom next week. Reminder: please don't forget to check the expiry dates on food donations.

Thank you in advance for helping us support others!

#### Term One Student Inclusive Conferences (SIC)

We still have families that have not booked student-inclusive conferences yet. It is extremely important to meet with your child and their teacher(s) to celebrate successes and set goals for Term Two. Our teachers are preparing your children to share their learning with you. Your children are really looking forward to you coming to the school for this very important conference. Research shows that a solid home/school relationship and good communication have many benefits for student achievement and success. If you missed our window of booking a conference, please contact the office and we will be happy to find you a time slot.

#### There will be no Term One report cards published on MYEDBC.

Please note the following important dates and information:

- November 27 Student Inclusive Conference Day (non-instructional day)
- November 28 Two-hour early dismissal (12:30 pm) for student-inclusive conferences; all students will eat their lunch at school at noon.

# Please secure childcare for siblings. This will allow you to be a fully engaged participant during your child's conference.

# **Student Safety Around Schools**

With the days growing shorter and the heavy rain, fog, and frost, we are sharing a reminder to all our students to take extra precaution when walking to and from school. Please be aware of your surroundings, walk with someone whenever possible, and avoid wearing headphones. We also ask drivers in our school community to be vigilant on our roads. We encourage families to speak with their children about what they can do to stay healthy and safe. Student safety is our priority. Thank you for your cooperation and support.





#### Pancake Breakfast, December 13

Parent volunteers will be treating the students and staff to a complimentary pancake breakfast. Pancakes, oranges, candy canes, and juice boxes will be served.



#### Updates from the PAC

#### **Parent Education Reimbursement**

Updates from DPAC: Any parent with a child in the SD35 may apply for reimbursement of funds that were spent on parent education.

- Defined as: a workshop, conference, course, and/or book and must for specifically designed for parent education
- Some terms apply visit the following link for more details: <u>https://langleydpac.ca/education/</u>
- Parent Education funds possibilities:
  - Food safe: <u>https://www.openschool.bc.ca/foodsafe\_level1/</u>
  - Red Cross: <u>https://www.redcross.ca/training-and-certification/course-descriptions/first-aid-at-home-courses/standard-first-aid-cpr</u>
  - Indigo Suggested Books: <u>https://www.indigo.ca/en-ca/search?q=parenting+books&search-button=&lang=en\_CA</u>

#### Hot Lunch: Hot Dog Day - last day to order is November 26

- The next hot lunch date is Friday, December 6 and the last day to order hot dogs and Booster juice is November 26.
- Please order on munchalunch.com

#### **Hot chocolate Treat Day**

Friday, December 6

- Please bring a toonie and join us after school for a special treat: hot chocolate!
- Hot chocolate will be handed out at the back of the school.
- If you are able to volunteer from about 2pm-3pm, please sign up here: click here to visit SignUp Genius

#### PAC Website

- Did you know that the PAC has a website?
- Stay up to date, learn about events, and sign up to volunteer.
- Please visit our website: <u>https://www.willoughbypac.ca/</u>



#### Dear Willoughby Elementary Parents and Families:

Get ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them on their journey to becoming lifelong readers. AND—as always—every purchase at the Fair benefits our school.

The Scholastic Fair will take place in person from November 26th - November 29th in the Learning Commons.

Online shopping will take place from November 25th – November 29th <u>here</u>. (https://bookfairs.scholastic.ca/bf/willoughbyelemschool2)

Visit the Scholastic Book Fair website to look through the digital flyers <u>here</u>. (https://www2.scholastic.ca/bookfairs/featured-books/)

The countdown to more Book Joy is on! Catch you at the Fair!

Happy reading! From your Teacher Librarian,

– Mrs. Weber (jweber@sd35.bc.ca)

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# TREAT DAY HOT CHOCOLATE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

AT THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL

Bring a toonie to get your hot chocolate after school!

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Volunteers needed: willoughbypac@gmail.com







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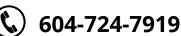


DAY: Tuesdays TIMF: 2:35 - 3:35 PM Room: THE SCHOOL Library \$215 for 10 weeks \*PAYMENTS OPTIONS AVAILABLE

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