December 2021

Westglen School

PAWPRINTS

Westglen will engage every student in meaningful learning by challenging, encouraging and believing in them in a middle school setting

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear parents,

This week your child's report card will be available for viewing on the PowerSchool Parent Portal. If you need help accessing your account, please call the school and we can walk you through it. There is also a three minute tutorial on our website that is easy to follow. Rather than the general, overall comment that was on traditional report cards, you will now be able to find more specific information on your child's assignments themselves. You can find this specific information by clicking on the speech bubble accompanying the assignment. As always, if you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher for more information.

Our school store is starting up again on December 1st! We have adhered to all of the required safety protocols and will be offering an assortment of healthier snacks for students. We will not be serving meals this year. We could not run this program without several volunteers that are donating their time to supervise the Grade 8 Store Helpers who are also giving of their time.

Social media is such a tricky topic for all of us. We will be hosting "Jo(e) Social Media" at Westglen on Thursday, December 2nd. Their virtual presentation will deal with using social media responsibly. Please talk with your child about what they learned during the presentation and continue the conversation with them at home.

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"Promise me, you will always see the good in every child"
Mrs. Linda Pothier

Virtual Christmas Band Concert

December 14 & 15

4:00 pm

COMPASSIONATE AND INNOVATIVE GLOBAL CITIZENS

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Chinook's Edge students, staff and families continue to show incredibly strong and courageous examples of good citizenship. Our schools are filled with people who are achieving success despite competing priorities, who are reaching out with acts of kindness, and who are investing their time and resources to make this holiday season a special one for their neighbours.

In Chinook's Edge, we believe citizenship involves the character of an individual and their respect for the greater societal good. Our division is filled with compassionate and innovative global citizens, just as it is outlined in our vision statement. We take good care of one another in Chinook's Edge, as we look beyond our current global challenges with a sense of unity and resolve.

Our Board of Trustees and Central Office team are incredibly grateful for the hard work and perseverance that is ever-present in our schools. We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Kurt Sacher

Superintendent of Schools

For Trustee updates and to read the latest **Board eNews,** please visit our website.

Welcome to Kindergarten!

Welcome to Kindergarten! Beginning in January, Chinook's Edge will be accepting Kindergarten registrations for the 2022-2023 school year. Children must turn five years old by December 31, 2022 to begin attending Kindergarten in the fall of 2022. Online registration will begin in early January – please visit our website for registration information, including the Chinook's Edge schools that offer Pre-Kindergarten programming.

Your Trustee, Gord Kerr, is always available and happy to hear from you. Visit the Board section of our division website at www.cesd73.ca for his contact information.

Superintendent, Kurt Sacher, can be contacted directly from the Board section as well.

SCHOOL NEWS

WILDCAT VOLLEYBALL

Grade 7's and 8's Girls & Boys teams had a fun, successful season!

TERM 1 REPORT CARDS

The PowerSchool Parent Portal will be closed from November 25th until December 2nd to allow for report card preparations. When the Parent Portal opens up again on December 2nd at noon, you will find a tab on the left side menu for viewing and printing the report card (we will no longer be sending home a paper copy).

Now is a good time to make sure you have access to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. If you have any questions, need a hand logging in, or a password reset, please contact Mrs. Mackie at the Westglen office.

WILDCAT BASKETBALL

Grade 7/8 basketball has begun! Schedules will be sent home soon, so please watch for those and they are on our calendar at www.westglen.ca We are looking forward to a fantastic season!

Note: **Grade 6 basketball will start in the New Year

SWIMMING

All of our classes are booked for swimming at the Didsbury Aquatic Centre. Please check our calendar and watch for updates from your student's teacher.

Students need to be dressed weather-appropriate to walk to the pool on their scheduled days.

Our Wildcat spirit shining on "Orange Shirt Day" September 30, 2021.

SCHOOL NEWS

BAND NOTES

Our **Annual Christmas Concert** is going to be VIRTUAL this year! Students in grades 5 & 7 will be livestreaming their performance on Tuesday, December 14th at 4:00 - 4:45, and grades 6 & 8 will be livestreaming on Wednesday, December 15th at 4:00 - 4:45. Students must wear their **concert dress uniform** which is a **black shirt and black pants/skirt.** Clean black jeans are sufficient. NO BLUE JEANS PLEASE. Grade 5 & 6 students can wear all black as well, or simply wear something concert appropriate.

View the grade 5 & 7 Band Concert here:
https://youtu.be/kIIA42QaMJY

View the grade 6 & 8 Band Concert here:
https://youtu.be/bwLVK0TZL2w

These links are only available for 24 hours, so don't miss your opportunity to see our talented Wildcats.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM

Thanks to the *President's Choice Children's Charity Grant*, we are able to offer our Wildcats breakfast options when they arrive at school. With current restrictions, we are only able to offer pre-packaged items, but the students all really appreciate it!

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TURKEY DINNER

Our 33rd annual Turkey Dinner will be held on Wednesday, December 15th from 11:30 until 12:45. On this day, we provide a delicious turkey dinner for all of our students and staff. No need for kids to bring a lunch on this day! Thank you to Tina Shultz for coordinating this special meal.

SNACK SHACK

The Snack Shack will be open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays starting on December 1st. Please see attached price list . Only cash is accepted at this time.

BLOCK 8

Any students requiring extra time or help with homework are welcome to attend Block 8 in the Library. Grade 5 & 6's can attend on Wednesdays and grade 7 & 8's are on Mondays right after school until 4pm.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Thank you for all your Book Fair purchases! The fair was a big success and the students really enjoyed it. We received $494.00 in free books for the library, $50.00 in door prizes and $277.90 in cash for the school.

December 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 (Day 3)	2 (Day 4) - Report Cards are available in PowerSchool at noon - JOES Social Media Safety 12:45 - 7A & 7B swimming 1pm	3 (Day 5) -Gr. 8's to DHS "Under the Big Top" Play	4
5	6 (Day 1) - Grade 7 vaccinations	7 (Day 2)	8 (Day 3) - 8's swimming 9am	9 (Day 4) - 6A & 6B swimming 9am - 5B swimming 1pm - 7's skating 1pm	10 Collaborative Day - no school for students	11
12	13 (Day 5) - 5C swimming 9am	14 (Day 1) - 6C swimming 9am - 7B swimming 1pm - 5 & 7 Virtual Band Concert	15 (Day 2) - 8's swimming or skating 9am **Turkey Lunch** - 6 & 8 Virtual Band Concert	16 (Day 3) - 5A swimming 9am - 7A & 7C swimming 1pm	17 (Day 4) - 6's skating 9am	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28			31	

CHRISTMAS BREAK ~ December 18 to January 3

See you back at school on Monday, January 3rd!

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Dad's Chocolate Chip Cookies **$0.50**

Heart Choc-Chip Cookies **$0.50**

Famous Amos Cookies **$0.50**

Tuna Snacks **$3.00**

Beef Jerky **$2.50**

Veggie Stix **$1.50**

Ranch Veggie Stix **$1.50**

SmartFood Popcorn **$1.50**

SunChips **$1.50**

Pepperoni Sticks **$1.50**

Trail Mix (contains nuts) **$1.00**

Protein Drinks (chocolate/strawberry) **$3.00**

Vitamin Water (orange, berry, lemon) **$2.50**

Iced Tea **$1.25**

Juice (orange, apple) **$1.25**

Vanilla Ice Cream Sandwich **$1.50**

Chocolate Sundae Cup **$1.00**

Fudgsicle **$0.50**