



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2018

Dear Families,

The weather is changing; fall is finally in the air after a very hot summer. We're all looking forward to cooler temperatures in the school. We've had a great start to the year, thanks to our wonderful staff, students, parents and volunteers. It was nice to see so many of you at our Terry Fox walk. Here is our October news...

Website and Facebook Page:

Please check our website and Facebook page for our monthly newsletter, cafeteria menus, and exciting events taking place in the school.

Election Day converted to Planning Day:

Please remember that October 1st has been converted to a planning day because of the elections. If your child needs daycare for that day, please reserve a spot with Jenny Wheeler as soon as possible.

Playground Update:

A big thank you to the volunteers who came out to help us to assemble the new playground equipment. We have a new module with a slide, an obstacle course, and a sandbox for our K4-2 students and swings for all of our students. Phase two of our playground project will include a Parkour course for our older students, as well as an outdoor classroom and a peace path designed by last year's grade 6 students. It's coming along nicely!

End of Term dates:

- Interim reports will be sent out on October 15th
- End of Term is November 2nd
- Reports are posted on-line November 14th
- Parent-teacher night is on November 22nd

Parking Lot:

It is essential that everyone who drops children off / picks children up respects the flow of traffic in the parking lot. The only places to park in order to walk with your child are in the designated parking spots against the fence, or in the 10-min parking behind the teacher parking. *Never park in the drop-off zone* – this is for parents who stop and let their children walk in independently.

Head Lice:

We have had a few cases of head lice this year. It is very important to remember that **anyone** can get these. You must check your child (ren) frequently and take the appropriate measures should he/she have them. Also, please inform the school so we can verify that other children in that group do not have them.

Consumable Fees:

We are well into the school year and we still have some families that have not paid their consumable fees. We can't stress enough how important it is for these fees to be paid in a timely fashion. Please call the school and make arrangements by the end of October. For those that have already made arrangements, please honour your commitment. Our school counts on these funds to serve your children.

Thank you to all parents who have paid these fees already.

Noon Supervisor:

We are pleased to announce that Lorrie is back with us this year to do Noon Hour Supervision as well as Jenny who also runs our cafeteria. Sara Partridge is new to WES and will be working with the Kindergarten 4 students.

Change of clothes:

The days are getting colder and sometimes wetter! Please send appropriate clothing for your child to play outside – sweaters, jackets, boots, depending on the temperatures. Also, you can never go wrong sending a change of clothing (labelled with your child's name) just in case they get wet playing outside.

October 26th:

- The level 6 will once again be hosting their annual “Haunted House”. More information will follow at a later date.
- Grade 3 will be offering goodies with their annual “Bake Sale” in the staffroom.
- The Halloween Parade for parents and younger children will be held in the gym at 12:45. Hope to see you there!

- If you are interested in helping out some of the teachers in the younger classes for the afternoon Halloween activities, contact your child's teacher.

Forms etc.:

A huge thank you to all the parents that have taken the time to fill out the numerous forms, etc. that have been sent home with your child. We realize how time consuming it is to have to go through all these requests. All this information is **vital** to us here at W.E.S to make sure that we are prepared to keep your child safe, educated and informed should an emergency situation arise.

School Picture Day:

Wednesday, October 3rd starting at 8:15 a.m.

***** SPORTS NEWS*****

Waterloo Elementary joined thousands of schools across Canada on a beautiful Thursday afternoon on September 27th, for the annual Terry Fox Run/Walk. All of our students took part in the event, thereby getting some very valuable fresh air and exercise. Thank you students & parents for collecting pledges for cancer research which was on a voluntary basis.

Many thanks to Depanneur Bonisoir for their generous donation of water to keep our young runners refreshed.

Cross-Country: XC starts at 9:30 am at Lions Park on October 4th (Backup October 5th).



On Oct.17th , our Soccer “C” (Grades 1-3) team will play in Knowlton at the Lions Park at 9:00 am (back-up day Oct.18th). The “B” (Grades 4-6) team will be on Oct.25th in Knowlton at the Lions Park at 9:00 a.m. (back-up day is Oct.26th). Having fun and getting some exercise is the main objective.