

Windham Ridge Public School Community Newsletter



Week ending: May 12th, 2023



Monday, May 15 (Day 5)	Monday, May 22 Victoria Day- no school
Tuesday, May 16 (Day 1) Pizza lunch	Tuesday, May 23 (Day 5) Pizza lunch Track & Field (JR) EQAO grade 3
Wednesday, May 17 (Day 2) Astoria Lunch Swim to Survive	Wednesday, May 24 (Day 1) Astoria Lunch Swim to Survive Track & Field (INT) EQAO grade 3
Thursday, May 18 (Day 3) Subway Lunch (new session) Family Movie Night 6pm	Thursday, May 25 (Day 2) Subway Lunch EQAO grade 3
Friday, May 19 (Day 4) Kids Kitchen lunch Grade 2's to Legoland	Friday, May 26 (Day 3) Kids Kitchen lunch King Clty HS presentation for Gr.8's EQAO grade 3

Multifaith Observances

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Bahá'í Faith 17 'Azamat Christianity 18 Ascension (W) New Moon 19 New Moon Shinto 20 Sanja Matsuri (Three Shrine Festival) Bahá'í Faith 24 Declaration of The Báb Judaism 25 Eve of Shavuot Judaism 26 First Day of Shavuot

> Shavuot Christianity 28 Pentecost (W) Bahá'í Faith 29 Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh

Judaism 27 Second (Last) Day of



June 1st	Volunteer Tea
June 13th	New grade 1 families school visit
June 15th	Jungle Book Performance
June 16th	Fun Day
June 20th	End of Year BBQ
June 22nd	Grade 8 Graduation

Have you completed the survey?



Extended to May 19!

Shared with families by YRDSB:

Dear families,

As you may know, York Region District School Board is currently engaging students in the Every Student Counts Survey.

On April 24, 2023, families received an <u>email</u> notifying them that the survey period is open. Families of students in Kindergarten-Grade 3 will have now received an invitation letter from their school, which includes a <u>survey link</u> and survey code to complete the survey at home.

We thank everyone who has already completed the survey. We have made the decision to extend the survey deadline. If you have not yet completed the survey, please consider doing so by **May 19, 2023.** We appreciate you taking the time to help us better understand our students and their experiences in school.

If you didn't receive the survey invitation letter or have misplaced it, please contact your child's school.

Wellbeing Wednesday!

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*Video will automatically pause at 2:40s

Today we share more from the song What I Wouldn't Do from Kids Help Phone.

As we listen, think and reflect on how we can be supportive when someone needs to talk or release their emotions.

Remember:

PBe willing to believe in things we cannot see.

©Be open to the idea that people experience things you don't fully know about.

And accept that your personal lived experiences are not the only lived experience.

▶ What I Wouldn't Do (North Star Calling) - Artists for Feel Out Loud supporting Kid...

Garden Program













Brainstorming, planning, measuring, preparing the school garden!

Students are engaged in various areas of the curriculum to get

the school garden ready for planting.

Student wellbeing and connections to the land and Indigenous learning are foundational to this process.

School Cash Online items



If you are interested in purchasing the following <u>School Cash Online</u> items, be sure to log into your account by the due date to avoid disappointment:

School Cash Online item	Due Date
Family Movie Night snacks	Tuesday May 16
WRPS 2022-2023 Yearbook	Extended to Sunday May 14th
Subway Lunch	Extended to Sunday May 14th
Grade 5 - Ontario Legislative Assembly	Friday May 19th
Grade 8 - Graduation at The Royal Venetian	Friday June 2nd

Movie Night



Thursday May 18!

Please note that students MUST be accompanied by parents/guardians for the full duration of the movie.

We are excited to welcome you to our end-of-the-school-year Movie Night at Windham Ridge!

This event will take place on Thursday May 18, at 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm in the school gymnasium.

Snacks and drinks will be sold on <u>School Cash Online</u> starting on Sunday May 14th. Proceeds will be donated to the Red Cross to support Turkiye and Syria earthquake relief efforts.

If you are interested in purchasing the following snacks for our event, please log into your <u>School Cash Online</u> account starting on <u>Sunday May 14th until Tuesday May 16th.</u>

- Popcorn \$2.25
- Chips \$2.25
- Ring pop- \$2.25
- Bottle of water \$1.25
- Goldfish- \$1.25
- Brooksides \$1.25

Enjoy the movie!

Messaging from Scott Yake

YRDSB Interim
Director of Education

<u>Please click here to access the message from the</u> YRDSB Director of Education, Scott Yake.



WRPS GSA

Windham Ridge PS is thrilled to announce that it will be starting up a GSA (Gender and Sexuality Alliance). The GSA is a club for students who identify as 2SLGBTQ+ and for students who want to be allies, supporting the 2SLGBTQ+ community. The club is supervised by teacher advisors.

What is an ally? -

up for supports and encourages the people around them. It's a term that gets used a lot in the 25LGBTQIA+ community. It refers to someone who tries to make the world a better place for people who identify as 25LGBTQIA+." (Reachout.com)

Our school and the York Region Board of Education believe that all students must

be treated with respect and dignity and all students must have access to schools where they feel safe, welcome, accepted and included.

Staff advisors will visit classes from grades 6-8 over the coming weeks to share the messaging above with students.

Lunch Schedules



Pizza	Tuesday	until June 20th
Astoria	Wednesday	until June 21st
Subway lunch (current session)	Thursday	Until May 11th
Subway lunch (new session)	Thursday	May 18th until June 22nd

2022-2023 Yearbooks for sale

May 14thlast day to order your vearbook!



Windham Ridge Yearbook 2022-2023 You make the year, we make the book Making memories with new and old friends are important parts of the school year. Help your child keep the fun and memories alive for years to come with a yearbook, a time capsule of the events and people that made this year This year there will be two options for purchase: Softcover yearbook - \$30.50 Hardcover yearbook - \$45.50 Yearbooks can ONLY be ordered through School Cash Online The deadline to order is Friday May 12th To avoid disappointment, don't delay in placing your order because no LATE orders will be accepted. The vearbooks will be delivered to the school and distributed to students at the end of this school year (June 2023)

Sign in to your School Cash Online account to place your order

WRPS School Office News And Reminders



Extra Clothing for all grades

With wet and muddy Spring days ahead, please send extra clothing with your child (especially socks & pants) in a labelled Ziploc bag that they could keep on their hook or in their locker. Students should also continue to have indoor shoes and only wear their outdoor shoes during morning and lunch recesses.

Lunches/snacks/water bottles

In the event that you need to drop off your child's lunch, we have a table to the right of the entry doors where you can leave your child's lunch for them to pick up at 12:50pm. There are pens and labels to write your child's name onto their lunch.

As per YRDSB's <u>website</u>, "Individual food delivery services are not currently accepted". Please refrain from ordering lunch from Uber Eats, Skip the Dishes etc. and have it delivered to the school. Office staff are not available to accept deliveries at the main doors and monitor lunches left at the lunch table in the main entry area.

I don't have my lunch! I'm still hungry!

We do our best to support your child as needed and we offer extra snacks for students. A suggestion would be to add extra snacks to your child's lunch so that they have the option to access these items in the event they are missing their lunch or are still hungry after recesses and lunch time. Invite your child to prepare their own snacks and lunches as a daily routine! This can avoid phone calls home throughout the day and requests to have you drop off food items to the school.

Planning on Moving?

If your child/ren grades 1 to 7 will not be returning to WRPS in September, please notify the school office by emailing windham.ridge.ps@yrdsb.ca.

Early vacations in June

The last day of school is Friday June 30th. As we are approaching the end of the school year, families may be planning early summer vacations. Parents may report a *planned absence* in Edsby once they have confirmed their child's last day. Don't forget to also advise the homeroom teacher.

French Immersion Registration

If there is a younger sibling in the family planning to attend Windham Ridge for grade 1 in the fall, and you have not registered already, please notify the office right away as we are preparing for September.