

# École Willows School Newsletter

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## Dates to Remember

Nov. 9—Assemblies for Remembrance Day at 9:00 and 10:45.

Nov. 12—No school in session  
Remembrance Day Stat Holiday.

Wed Nov 14 & Thurs. Nov 15 P/T  
interviews. Early dismissal at  
11:52am on both days

Nov. 14—Lost and found laid out

Nov. 16—Pizza Sushi Day

Nov. 23—Pro D Day no school in  
session





# Cross Country - Another Year, Another Team Effort

Congratulations to all Willows Grade 3-5 students who participated on this year's Cross-Country team, culminating in the Final race at Beacon Hill Park. I am pleased at how well each and every student performed; they worked hard, finished well and showed good sportsmanship throughout practices and events.



I would like to thank all the parents who helped with our practices - we could not do it without you! Another thank you goes out to Mme McMillan for her time and added support.

Congratulations to the following students for their top ten results at the Finals:

Ryden M., Danica S., Ben V., Thomas S., Elliott B., Nate C., Evelyn T., Isla K., Dash D., Claire B., and Olivia M. (1st for Gr. 4 girls)

Très bien tout le monde,  
Mme. Lyall



I really feel that they are trying

Well, we are working on this at home and have noticed a difference too.

# Parent Teacher Interviews

You will be receiving a form to request a **Parent Teacher Interview**. If you do not receive a form please contact the school. Meeting with your child's teacher is a wonderful opportunity to have some time to talk about how the first term is going and what might be areas to focus on in the next while. We are realizing more and more that family engagement in the education process matters for student success.

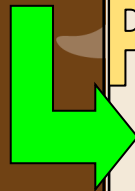
Research shows that being involved improves school readiness, student achievement, and social skills.

We know that a child's success at school does not happen in a vacuum, but rather it is a shared responsibility between the school, the home. The Parent Teacher interview that is coming up can give us an opportunity to work together to support your child's success. Please take this opportunity to come to the school and speak with your child's teacher. Discover ways that you can be actively involved in your child's learning and development.

Please look for the form to come home next week.



NEXT



Pizza  
Sushi  
Day  
Fri. Nov. 16

DON'T FORGET TO  
FALL  
BACK

Sunday, November 4th, 2:00 a.m.



Dogs Coming to School

We know how much fun it is to walk to and from school with your dog, but we want to remind everyone that we have spots designated for dogs to wait. We have many children on the playground in the morning and after school and some of them are uncomfortable around, and scared of, big and little dogs. We are asking that dogs not be in the midst of the children so please wait with your dogs in the designated areas.

*One area is by the flag pole on the Primary Playground and the second one is by the trees at the back of the basketball courts.*

Thank you for your help



Bringing Special Things to School



There are times that we ask students to bring an item to school for showing in the classroom as part of their special day or project. When that happens teachers will help safeguard the object. But generally we try to discourage students from bringing their special things to school. Our classroom doors are not usually locked at recess or lunch breaks, and children do have the ability to move about the room freely. When a child's special item goes missing, for any reason, they are upset and most often we have no way to recover the item. Please leave electronic devices, and special toys at home.



Thank you for your help with this.

Remembrance Day Participants

Our Remembrance Day Assembly will be held on Friday, November 9. We will have one assembly at **9:00** and a second one at **10:45**. Students have been rehearsing for our traditional Flag Ceremony and are doing a wonderful job with this and with all other aspects of the assembly. Our choir members are working hard on their selections, and a big thank you to everyone who is helping out.

**Information for our Choir Members**

You will need to have your choir uniform ready to go for this assembly. White shirt with long sleeves and collar and a dark skirt or pants.

**Information for our Honour Guard**

All Guides, Brownies, Sparks, Beavers, Cubs should wear their uniforms to school for the assembly. Those children of serving members of the Armed Forces please wear white shirts and black on the bottom, you will be given a red Willows vest. You may want to bring a change of clothing for after the assembly.



**There will be no school on Monday, November 12.**

# TREE Appreciation DAY

Sunday November 4  
10 to 12 noon  
Dorset Road.

Join us for some family fun.

JOIN OAK BAY PARKS STAFF AND FRIENDS OF UPLANDS PARK!

EVENTS- LEARN HOW TO PLANT TREES PROPERLY  
- LEARN HOW TO GROW GARRY OAKS FROM ACORNS

LEARN ABOUT- NATIVE PLANTS  
UPLANDS PARK  
INVASIVE SPECIES



Join us for:

- Tree climbing with equipment kids can try.
- A walk to Willows Grandparent Garry Oak to learn about how your children are helping do some invasive removal
- Local walks about trees by experts Ron Carter and Wylie Thomas

★ REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED!



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# Lost and Found

On Wed., Nov. 14th we will lay out the items in our lost and found by the Library.

Please come by and see if anything belongs to you.



## Book Fair is Coming... Sign up to help out @

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19V5jdxQK6XzVWshVITGggRAIrcu974suuhLpc>

# swim club

Swim Club is underway for another year. Interested students can pick up a registration form this week, and our goal is to be registered by Nov. 6th. We are able to accommodate 36 swimmers at the pool this year. Swim club is open to students in grades 3, 4, and 5 on a first come basis.

Students must be able to swim 25 meters non-stop. Please make sure that your son or daughter returns their form by Nov. 6th.

Thanks to **Mme Lamont** and **John Bowyer-Smith** for getting us underway.



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Sun Dim	Mon Lun	Tue Mar	Wed Mer	Thu Jeu	Fri Ven	Sat Sam
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4 	5 Art Starts presentation for Inter. Stu- dents.1:00	6 Remem- brance Day Rehearsal p.m.	7	8 Remem- brance Day Rehearsal p.m.	9 Remembrance Day Assemblies at 9:00 and 10:45. 	10
11 Remem- brance Day 	12 Remembrance Day - Stat Holiday No school in session	13 Staff Meeting 3:05	14 Early Dis- missal @ 11:52 am P/T Inter- views 1:00— 5:00	15 Early Dis- missal @ 11:52 am P/T Inter- views 1:00— 5:00	16 Pizza / Sushi Day. 	17
18	19	20	21 PAC Meet- ing 7:00 pm in the Library	22 9:00 am Morning coffee with PAC in the staffroom	23 Pro D Day. No school in session.	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	