



November 24, 2022

# ÉCOLE WILLOWS SCHOOL

Update



## Coming up:

*Wednesday, November 30—PAC organized Fun Lunch*

*Thursday, December 1—Grade 5 open house (Salish Sea Project)*

*Wednesday, December 14— 9:00 am —Kindergarten and Grade 1 Concerts*

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*10:45 am — Chatham Choir and Senior Choir*

*1:00 pm — Discovery Choir and Senior Choir*

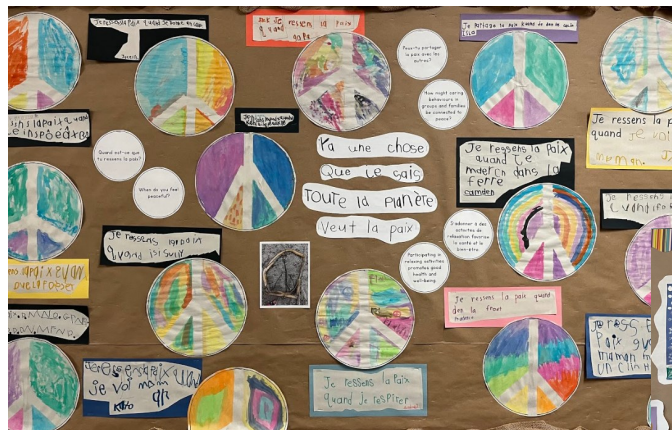
*Thursday, December 15— 5:30 pm— Chatham Choir and Senior Choir (Oak Bay High)*

*6:30 pm—Discovery Choir and Senior Choir (Oak Bay High)*

*Friday, December 16— Last Day of School before Winter Break*

*Reports Cards Home*

## Some learning around our school...



## Winter Concerts

We are looking forward to our Winter Concerts! There will be several opportunities to join us at the school. Please see the link below to book tickets for our evening concerts at Oak Bay High on the evening of December 15. We will begin by offering families 2 tickets for each family and fill the remainder of the seats once everyone has had the opportunity to book tickets. Please only book tickets for the concert your child (ren) will be participating in (see next page for divisions). We will send tickets home prior to the concert.

<https://forms.gle/ykpeP2yap4uZelSs8>

*Tickets are not needed for our concerts held at the school on December 14.*

## Winter Concerts continued...

**Chatham Choir** Grade 2 and 3 students—Divisions 9 (Helms/Shapiro), 10 (Wardell/Nowak), 12 (Dann), 17 (Duyndam), 18 (Gann), 20 (Shorthouse)

**Discovery Choir** Grade 2 and 3 students—Divisions 11 (McMillan), 13 (Ireton), 14 (James), 15 (Alexander), 16 (Verrier), 19 (Albiston)

**Senior Choir** —Grade 4 and 5 Choir Students

## Daily Health Check

We ask that all families continue with daily health checks to assess if your child or children are feeling well enough to attend school. If they are not feeling well, please keep them at home. This helps to prevent the spread of illness at school. Please see the daily health checklist on our website. [https://willows.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/46/2022/01/GVSD61\\_CovidUpdate\\_20220128.pdf](https://willows.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/46/2022/01/GVSD61_CovidUpdate_20220128.pdf)

## Report Cards

Willows is continuing to piloting a provincial initiative for the 2021 / 2022 school year where all classroom teachers will use the Proficiency Scales to communicate student learning. For more information on what report cards will look like, please see our website <https://willows.sd61.bc.ca/parent-info/proficiency-scale-student-reports/> and for an explanation on Proficiency Scales please see this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nqZkiaTDXTk>

## Student Family Affordability Fund

Earlier this fall, the Provincial Government created a Student and Family Affordability Fund with the intention to support families in financial need during these times of increased cost-of-living. Through this fund, Willows has been provided resources to directly help our families in a way that is flexible and private.

If you are facing financial hardship we might be able to help with things like grocery cards and transportation costs. We can also help with school related costs such as field trips and supplies.

If this support can help you and your family through difficult times, please contact our principal, Brenna O'Connor, at 250-592-3964 or [boconnor@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:boconnor@sd61.bc.ca)