



Westview Update – November 10th, 2025

November is a month of transitions and change. The clocks have moved backwards, and the leaves are starting to fall. Halloween is over and now all the Christmas stuff is starting to creep into the stores. We would like to welcome Ms. White who has been covering for Ms. Clark and Ms. Mattaliano who will be covering for Mr. Ferrelli while he enjoys some parental leave with his newborn little girl. Students have pretty much settled into the routines of school. Progress reports are almost done and will be sent home on November 18th. Parent teacher interviews are a time for staff and parents to find ways of supporting students' learning at school and at home. Please keep an eye out for information regarding interviews from your child's teacher. We are looking forward to meeting with parents and to find ways of working together to create change and maximize student potential in all areas.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP and HEALTHY ACTION TEAM

Our student leadership has started up and so has our HAT team. Thanks to Mrs. Kuchma and Ms. Mousseau for organizing and supervising these great teams. Some initiatives are spirit days, Halloween costume contest, talent show, theme days, fundraising, etc.

EXTRA CURRICULARS and FUNDRAISING We have three different **volleyball teams** running with the Senior boys and Senior girls at tournaments on November 7th and November 14th. Thanks so much to our coaches – Mr. Feeney, Ms. Cipolla, Mr. Ferrelli, Ms. Mousseau, Ms. Pedersen, and Mr. Flewelling.

Mrs. Ritson is hard at work with our **band** and she and Mrs. Read has also started a **choir**. Thank you, Mrs. Ritson, and thank you to Mrs. Read for getting the Choir up and running.

Terry Fox – thank you for your support of this important initiative which helped raise \$1500 plus for the Terry Fox foundation. Thank you to Mrs. Dobrowsky for spearheading this!

Factory Shoe Outlet fundraiser is still ongoing, please mention Westview if you visit the store.

SPIRIT WEAR – WESTVIEW WOLVERINES We are doing Spirit Wear this year – there will be some great choices and different price points. **Stay tuned** – a flyer will be coming home soon on available items and how to purchase. Thank you Mr. Feeney for organizing this event.

SECOND NUTRITION BREAK

If students have **written** parent permission, they may leave school property at second nutrition break. Parents are taking responsibility for student behaviour during this time. Students who leave must be gone for the full 40 minutes and return promptly at 1:30 pm. If students are chronically late, or if issues occur, students will lose the right to go out at second break. **Please be advised** that more than one school heads to the pizza/Big Bear plaza and issues do occur. All students must sign out at the office before leaving.

PROGRESS REPORTS

The Progress Report, going home on November 18th, is just as the title suggests. It is a report on the progress of your child since the start of the school year. It will not have grades but it will comment on how well your child has progressed in the Curriculum areas as well as how well he/she has progressed in the Learning Skills (responsibility, organization, independent work, collaboration, initiative and self-regulation). **PARENT - TEACHER INTERVIEWS JK - 8** Parent - Teacher interviews will be held on the evening of Thursday, November 20th and the morning of November 21st which **is a PA Day**. Please keep in mind that interviews will only be scheduled in 15-minute intervals and the teachers will not be able to accommodate late arrivals.

PARENT COUNCIL Our next meeting will be on November 25th - 5:30 pm in the Learning Commons. If you have not signed up but are interested in being a part of our parent council please let the office know. If you would like more information on what we do at parent council please feel free to contact our wonderful chairperson, Kristina Collier at westviewSC@hwdsb.on.ca. Please confirm your attendance to Mrs. Collier or to myself – if we do not have enough participating the meeting may move to TEAMS online.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM/Snack program

We offer a breakfast program that is open to anyone – it runs from 8:15 am to 8:40 am in the Learning Centre. We also have healthy snacks available in all classes for Nutrition Breaks – these are meant to provide extras for those that want it, but children should be bringing a healthy lunch to school every day. Thank you to Ms. Mousseau, Mrs. Sorensen and Mrs. Paterson for organizing this program.

Educational Assistant Appreciation Day is on Thursday, November 13th – we are very lucky to have 4 wonderful EAs who support our ASD class and our regular classes. Big thank you to Mrs. Sorensen, Mrs. Merritt, Ms. Roelfson and Ms. Parchimowicz!

Some Reminders

Cell Phones are prohibited during the school days and need to be powered off and kept in lockers unless teachers allow them for academic purposes. If you need to contact your child, please call the school office.

Hands on behaviour – students are told daily to keep their hands to themselves – repeat issues will result in suspension.

Snow – snow is fun but can also be dangerous. Snow should stay on the ground and snowballs are prohibited.



Parking Safety — The parking here at Westview is **for staff only** and is not to be used for drop-offs and pick-ups. I have had reports of students and adults being almost hit by cars that are reversing during the very busy dismissal time and the safety of all staff and students is of paramount importance at all times. We have students walking through the lot to get to the buses and also have two special buses that pick up our special needs students in the parking lot. **Please, please have safety in the forefront of your minds** if you are dropping off/picking up your children. Please do not park OR STOP in the parking lot – please make arrangements with your child to meet you in another location and please do not block buses. **Please help us keep all of our Westview students safe! Thank you for your support and cooperation.**

Ms. Neville



DATES TO REMEMBER

November 11th – Remembrance Day – 2 minutes of silence at 11 am

November 13th – Educational Assistant Appreciation Day!

November 14th – Senior Boys at volleyball tournament at McNab

November 18th – Progress Reports sent home

November 20th – Interviews 4 – 6:30 pm.

November 21st – **PA DAY** – no school for students. Interview 8:30 am to 12pm

November 13th – Nora Francis Henderson Information Night

November 26th – Westmount information night

November 27th – Glendale High School Audition Based programs – info night

