

Westmount School Mission

Collaborating for diverse opportunities to excel as passionate learners.



Westmount School November/December 2021 Newsletter

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Dear Westmount Families,

November 2021

The year is flying by! We are grateful for the time we have with your children. As we head into November, we look forward to quite a few exciting events. This month, our virtue is **Collaboration**. At Westmount School, collaboration is a huge focus for staff and students. Report cards will go out on Nov. 22nd followed by parent-teacher interviews on Nov. 24th and 25th. This year, our parent-teacher interviews will be held virtually via Zoom. Please look at the back of this newsletter for details on how to sign up for parent-teacher interviews. Keep reading this newsletter for more information. We have a lot to look forward to! [#wonderfulwestmount](#)

Our House League program is off and running. All students and staff are assigned a team. We have 3 teams: Blue Huskies, Green Wolves and Red Coyotes. We like to say that this is their team for life! Our first Spirit Day takes place on Nov. 4 when we ask all of our students and staff to come to school dressed in their favourite **SPORTS GEAR**. Anyone who participates earns valuable points for their House League team. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay posted! [#community](#)

Circle of Excellence has made a comeback this year. During each monthly assemblies we will be celebrating one student from every class for their effort or excellence. Check out some pictures below! Also, our *Hockey Program* started in October. Students not only learn on-ice skills, but also learn leadership and teamwork skills. Finally, we are excited to let you know that our *Safety Patrol* team is out before and after school keeping our students safe as they cross the 817.

Thanks to the support of Westmount families and the efforts from every one of our students to stay safe. Our school year is off to a great start! [#collaboration](#)

Yours in Learning,
Cori Hampson, Principal



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Student Drop Off and Pick-Up Notice

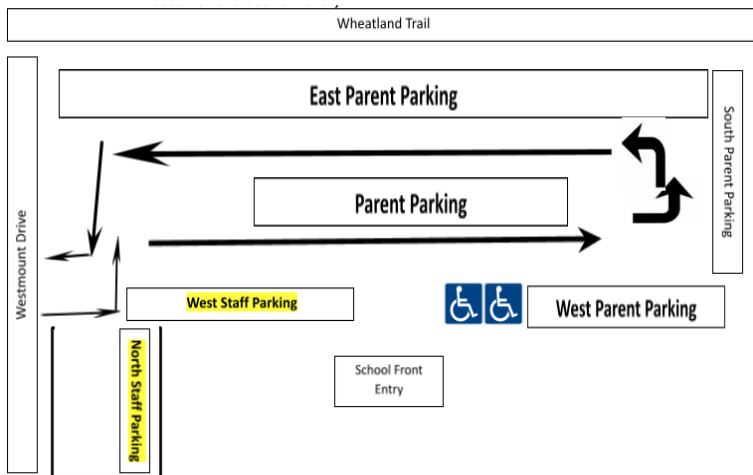
Our goal is to ensure that all of our students and families are safe at school. This includes our parking lot.

Please see the image below for safe traffic flow in the parking lot.

Things to Remember:

- Do not park behind other vehicles.
- Please park in a stall before letting your children out.
- Please do not stop in the areas of traffic flow.

With your help, our parking lot can be a safe place for EVERYONE!



Upcoming Events

- Nov. 2 – 9 ~ Soup for Soldiers
- Nov. 4 ~ Spirit Day - Sports Day (No equipment please.)
- Nov. 5 ~ Day 4
- Nov. 10 ~ Virtual Remembrance Day Ceremony
- Nov. 11 ~ No School
- Nov. 12 ~ No School
- Nov. 17 ~ Westmount Elementary School Council (WESC) Meeting (The link will be sent out closer to the date.)
- Nov. 17 ~ Booking for Parent/Teacher Interviews Opens @ 8:00 am
- Nov. 18 ~ Rock Your Mocs
- Nov. 19 ~ Day 2
- Nov. 19 ~ Picture Retakes
- Nov. 22 ~ Report Cards Go Home
- Nov. 23 ~ Booking for Parent/Teacher Interviews Closes @ 12:00 pm
- Nov. 24 & 25 ~ Parent/Teacher Conferences (virtual)
- Nov. 26 ~ No School
- Nov. 30 ~ Assembly – Collaboration
- Nov. 30 ~ Spirit Day ~ Parent's Choice (You choose your child's outfit for the day!)
- Dec. 3 ~ Day 3
- Dec. 3 ~ Grade 6 Volleyball Tournament
- Dec. 10 ~ No School
- Dec. 16 ~ Christmas Concert (virtual)
- Dec. 18 ~ Day 3
- Dec. 17 ~ Assembly – Empathy
- Dec. 17 ~ Spirit Day – PJ Day
- Jan. 3 ~ First Day Back After Christmas Break

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School Fees

School Fees are available for payment online at School Cash Online. **Please call the school at 403-934-3041 if you have any questions.**

There are several ways to pay:

- On-line at School Cash Online – There is a "Quick Link" on our school web site: <http://westmoutelementary.com/>
- Cheque – payable to Westmount School
- Cash
- Payment Plan – To set this up, please call the office.

You can pay One Lump Sum or Item by Item.

Westmount Elementary School Council

You are invited to the WESC meeting on **Nov. 17, 2021 @ 6:30**

All families are welcome! We cannot wait to see you there!

** The meeting will be held virtually. Your child's teacher will share the link with you closer to the date.

Soup for Soldiers

In partnership with Emma Moore, we are collecting **'Soup for Soldiers'** from Nov. 2 - 9.

Who:

This project is to help Strathmore and area Veterans with food security.

Why:

We want to help those who have fought for our freedom and give back to our community.

When:

Tuesday, November 2nd to Tuesday, November 9th.

How:

Each student and staff member (who is able to and is interested in participating) is asked to bring 1 can of soup/food (or more if they wish).

Adventures With Westie

If you and your family are planning an exciting activity, we would love to hear about it! Ask your child's teacher for a Westie and a form to fill out to describe your 'Adventures with Westie'. Your 'story' will be posted on our bulletin board for the year and then returned.

Have fun with
WESTIE!



SOUP 4 SOLDIERS CHALLENGE

HELP BUILD A TOWER OF SUPPORT FOR OUR VETERANS!



On November 9th or 10th help build a CANNED FOOD TOWER at your school!
All food will be donated to the Strathmore Legion in support of the Calgary Veterans Association Food Bank.
Follow the challenge progress on Instagram at #soup4soldierschallenge

THIS PROJECT IS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH EM'S DONATION PROJECTS

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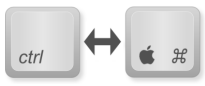
Virtual Parent Teacher Interviews November 24th & 25th 4:00-7:00pm



This year, Parent Teacher Interviews will be held virtually via Zoom. In order to book an interview, you must book online at <http://wsmts.schoolappointments.com>. You can start booking appointments on Wednesday, November 17th at 8:00 a.m. and bookings will close Tuesday, November 23rd at 12:00 p.m.

Please Note: Due to appointments being virtual, the Office can not book appointments for you. If you need help booking, we are happy to help you over the phone. All appointments must be booked before the cut off of noon on November 23rd.

School Appointments - Parent Instructions

1. Go to our School Appointments website: <http://wsmts.schoolappointments.com/>
2. Register for an account by clicking the "**REGISTER**" menu tab and filling in the on-line form. Choose a user id and password for yourself and then click the "**Register Now**" button.
3. Add your children into the system by clicking the "**Add a Student**" button. Click "**Insert New**" to add more children. 
4. Click the "**date**" icon beside each child's name to schedule appointments. Select the staff you wish to book appointments with and the "**View Calendars**" button. Use the "**Ctrl**" or "**Command**" key to select multiple staff to view at the same time. 
5. Click on available time slots to book your appointments and then click the "**Book Appointments**" button to save your bookings.

You will be sent a reminder email on the afternoon of Tuesday, November 23rd which will include your Zoom link(s). You will also be sent Zoom instructions in case you are not familiar with the program.

SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS ON-LINE 

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Grade 6 Leadership Team

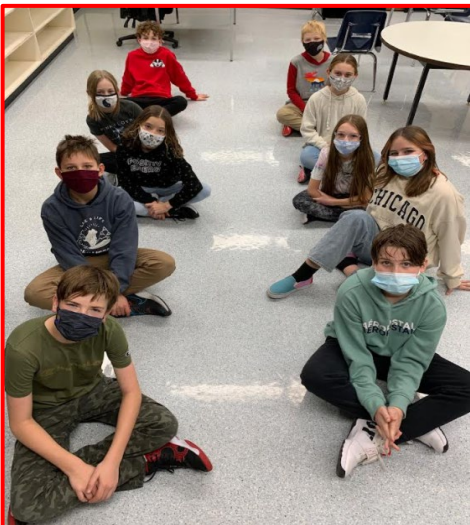
We are excited to introduce this year's Grade 6 Leadership Team. This group of students will run our assemblies, do morning announcements, organize and run our spirit days and look for ways to make Westmount School an even more amazing place to learn and grow for all of our students.

Our 2021– 22 Leadership Team consists of:

- Weston Kautz
- Kendall Lester
- Julian DeCocq
- Ashton Hughes
- Hannah Kennedy
 - Azzy Dwyer
- Jayden Schneider
 - Zack Moss
 - Anna Grant
 - Hayden Vass
 - Jesse Barber

We are excited to see what this group of students will do! First up is our Sports Spirit Day held on Nov. 4th. All students can earn valuable House League points!

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Westmount Chief & Council and Tribal Advisory Committee

We are thrilled to announce our Westmount Chief & Council and Tribal Advisory Committee. This group of students will partake in our assemblies, help organize cultural events and work closely with Ms. Big Snake. We are looking forward to seeing them in action as they organize Rock Your Mocs on Nov. 18.

Westmount Chief: Cera Goodin,
Westmount Council Members: Marquet Solway

Mateo Brown-Whitebear

TJ Calf Robe

Destinee Doucet

Olivia Good Eagle

Aiden Red Old Man

Tribal Committee Support Members are:

Luke Hanson

Layla Bissonnette

Anna Grant

Jayden Schneider

Secretary: Victoria Bruce

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