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Westmount School January/February ~ 2021 Newsletter

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Dear Families,

January 2021

Happy New Year from our Westmount family to yours. We hope that you had a wonderfully relaxing break. This month, our virtue is Perseverance. We will see students and staff demonstrating perseverance daily. At Westmount, we place great importance on our core values and highlight a different value each month.

We take great pride in of our students and the way they positively contribute to our local community. Through our Food Drive, Westmount students and families have helped many members of in our local community. During the holiday season, our students also made hundreds of Christmas cards for our local seniors. #community #collaboration #wecanmakeadifference

Please be reminded of our weather policy: If the wind chill drops below -25C, we do not send students outside for recess. If the wind chill is between -20C and -25C, we send students outside for a short amount of time to get some fresh air and burn off some energy. Anything warmer than -20C with the wind chill and our students will be outside for regular recess time. We encourage our students to come ready for the range of weather that is possible throughout the Albertan winter months.

As always, we strive to create diverse and engaging learning opportunities for out students. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay posted! #community

Yours in Learning,

C. Hampson Cori Hampson, Principal



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Visiting the School

We love having visitors to the school! Unfortunately, this year is a bit different. If you need to come into the school, there are a few things to keep in mind.

Upon entering the school, all visitors:

- 1. use hand sanitizer
- 2. wear a mask
- 3. fill in our contact tracing form
- 4. complete the Daily Health Checklist

To make things easier for our families, if you are dropping off something or picking up your child, feel free to call the office at 403-934-3041 and we will meet you outside the office doors. This way you can avoid the process outlined above.

Thank you for following the Public Health Order and for working with us to help keep our students, their families and our staff safe.

House League Point Update

Red Coyotes: 2228 Points Blue Huskies: 2277 Points Green Wolves: 2642 Points

Way to go, everyone! We have several more opportunities to earn points in the next few months. Go Westmount!

Upcoming Events

Jan. 15 ~ No School Jan. 20 ~ WESC Meeting @ 6:30 Jan. 22 ~ Day 2 Jan. 22 ~ Pictures for Wonderful Works of Westmount (K – 4) Due Jan. 28 ~ Beach Day Jan. 28 ~ Perseverance Assembly Jan. 28 ~ Wonderful Works of Westmount Video Release Jan. 29 ~ No School for Students Feb. 3 ~ Winter Walk Feb. 5 ~ Day 4 Feb. 12 ~ Day 3 Feb. 15 – 19 ~ No School for Students Feb. 26 ~ Day 2 Feb. 26 ~ Hat & Gum Day Feb. 26 ~ Responsibility Assembly

After School Dismissal ~ Reminder

To reduce congestion at the end of the day and allow for social distancing, we have 2 dismissal bells.

- Bell #1 @ 2:56 pm Students who walk home, ride a bus from the first bus run, or are being picked up are dismissed.
- Bell #2 @ 3:04 pm Students who ride a bus in the second bus run are dismissed.

To adhere to social distancing criteria, students being picked up at the office will wait outside in front of the main doors.



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School Fees

**All fees are now overdue.

School fee invoices were sent home in September. If you have more than one student at Westmount, you may notice that fees vary by grade. **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

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 describing your 'Adventures with Westie'. Your 'story' will be posted on our bulletin board for the year and then returned. Have fun with **WESTIE**!



Westmount Elementary School Council (WESC)

You are invited to the WESC meeting on Jan. 20, 2021 @ 6:30!

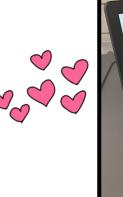
All families are welcome! We cannot wait to see you there!

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

THANK YOU, WESC!!

Our School Council is the best!! Check out the new Chromebooks and Chromebook cart they purchased for us! This means that our students have access to more technology!!







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WONDERFUL WORKS OF WESTMOUNT 2021

Once again, we invite our Kindergarten – Grade 4 students to participate in the "Wonderful Works of Westmount" to showcase their passions and talents.

The possibilities are almost endless: crafts, hobbies, cooking/baking, fine arts (art, music, drama), sports displays, etc. This allows students to share their achievements and enjoyment of an activity outside of school.

THIS YEAR, THIS EVENT WILL BE VIRTUAL. IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE SEND <u>ONE</u> PICTURE OF YOUR CHILD WITH A DISPLAY OR OF THEM ENJOYING THEIR PASSION. WE WILL TAKE THESE PICTURES AND CREATE A PRESENTATION TO BE SHARED WITH OUR STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ON JAN. 28, 2021.

PICTURES DUE: JAN.22, 2021 SEND <u>ONE</u> PICTURE TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER