

École Willow Point Elementary

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Dear École Willow Point families,

February 11th marks the 100th day of school this year—the year is flying by! To celebrate, we're encouraging students to dress up as if they were 100 years old.

This month, our staff is fortunate to participate in professional development once again. We will be learning from Carole Fullerton, a highly respected math educator, and Shelley Moore, a leader in inclusive education.

Pink Shirt Day is coming up on February 28! We encourage students to wear a pink shirt to support kindness and inclusion. In class, we'll be discussing how we can "fill each other's buckets" with kindness.

Our **Battle of the Books** competition kicks off this month, with our school competition taking place on February 20th. Good luck to all students participating in this event!

We are also excited to be taking part in **Manie-Musicale** this year! French musicians from around the world are competing, and students globally will help decide the winner. Families can listen to the songs at home and try to predict the champion together!

Lastly, just a reminder, there is no school on Monday, February 17th (Family Day) and Tuesday, February 18th (professional development day for staff). We hope that everyone will be able to take some time to spend with their families.

Warm regards,

Carrie La Pierre & Nancy Hwang



Safe Thoughtful Accountable Respectful Students





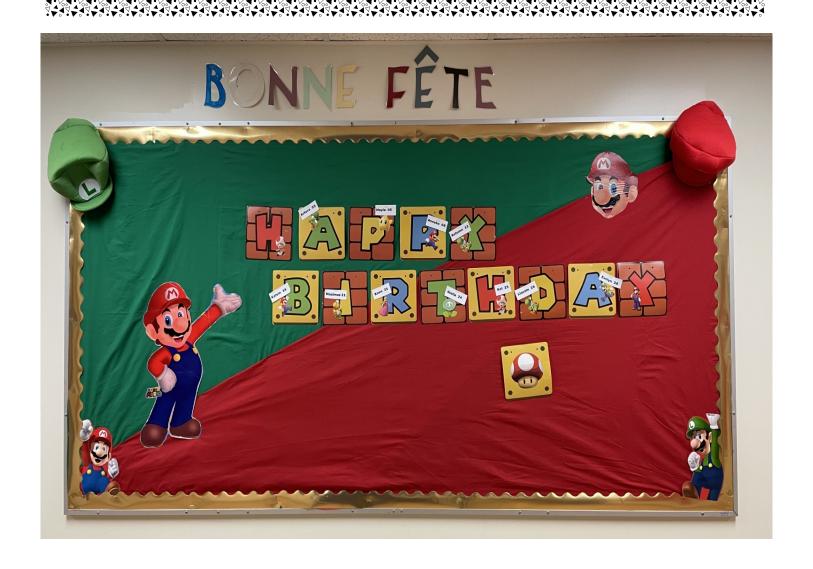
February Birthdays

Arturo 03 Mayla 05 Anneke 09

Autumn 12 Kalvin H 16

Maximus 21 Koen 21 Stella 24

Kol 25 Evelyn 26 Lincoln 26







CHILD COMPETE IN OUR SCHOOL BATTI EL



EWP BATTLE OF THE BOOKS "SCHOOL BATTLE"





9:35 CRADE 4

APPROXIMATELY

Two winners

from each grade

will move on to

the Zones

11:00 CRADE 3

ZONES BATTLE AT EDM ON THURSDAY FEB. 27TH (MORNING)

DRISTRICT BATTLE AT TIMBERLINE ON THURSDAY MARCH 6TH (AFTERNOON)



FAMILY LITERACY WEEK AND AUTHORS VISIT

Family Literacy week was a great success!
Thank you for participating in our DEAR
event, for encouraging your child to dress
up as a character in a book and for sending
photos for our Get Caught Reading contest!







Thank you to Char Bazowski and Bruce Izard for coming in and reading to our classes on behalf of the Rotary Club!



On Monday February 5th we had the pleasure of hosting local authors Shari Green and Monica Nawrocki who presented their books to our grade 4/5 Battle of the Books participants





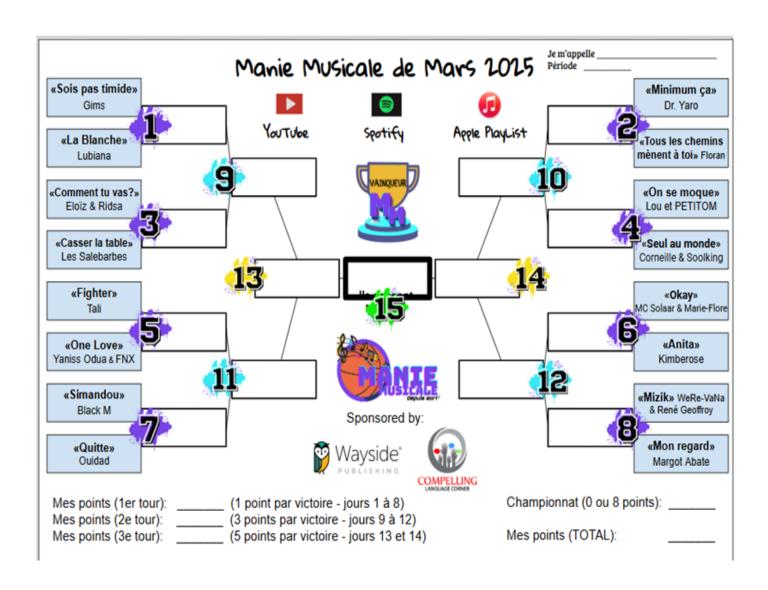
Mme. Mireille's Class Bake Sale Fundraiser



Items available for \$2 minimum donation

Can you guess this year's Manie Musicale 2025 winner?

Please take some time to listen to these songs and discuss them with your family. You can go onto this website for more resources: Manie Musicale 2025-Updated FEB 2



EASY IDEAS

WITH VEGGIES AND FRUIT



Most children don't get enough vegetables and fruit each day. Proportionally speaking, half of the foods they eat should be veggies and fruit.

Support your child to eat vegetables and fruit:

- ◆Eat more vegetables and fruit when you have a meal together. Children learn by watching you.
- •Involve children in buying and preparing vegetables and fruit. Try cut-up veggies and fruit such as cucumber slices, cherry tomatoes, cauliflower, oranges, apple, pear, melon or berries with salad dressing or yogurt for dipping.
- •Cut and serve them in many ways. Try vegetables and fruit cold, hot or right from the freezer. Frozen grapes or blueberries make a terrific snack.
- •Offer vegetables and fruit at snack and meal times. It can take up to 20 times of offering the same food before a child will accept it.

A child's intake varies from day to day. Trust that a healthy child will meet their nutrient needs over time.

Need fresh ideas? Check out halfyourplate.ca

For more information:

- Your local Public Health Unit
- ◆HealthLinkBC and Dietitian Services or dial 8-1-1 and ask to speak to a Registered

Dietitian (a free call)

WHY USE FLUORIDE TOOTHPASTE?

Fluoride is absorbed into the tooth enamel making the tooth more resistant to decay. New teeth especially can benefit from fluoride, and school-aged children are getting their new adult teeth.

Daily use of fluoride toothpaste is a cheap and easy way to protect children's teeth from decay. A small amount of toothpaste about the size of a pea, used twice each day, is all you need.

Public water supplies on Vancouver Island do not have fluoride added. Therefore, it is very important to use fluoride toothpaste.

Spit out after brushing – don't rinse! This will allow small amounts of fluoride to stay in the mouth. The fluoride can help reverse areas of early tooth decay and slow down the decay process.

Toothpastes with special adult ingredients such as "anti-tartar", "whitening", and "anti-bacterial" agents are not recommended for children under age 12.

For more information:

◆Island Health, Public Health - Dental:

Comox Valley Health Unit 250-331-8520

Campbell River Health Unit 250-850-2110

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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	KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION WEEK					
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 100th Day of School	12	13	Bake Sale \$2.00 items	15
16	17	18 PRO D Day No students in attendance	19	20 EWP Battle of the Books	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Zone Battle of the Books @ EDM	28 Pink Shirt Day	