

W.E. Graham Community School

Important Dates

November 6: Fire Drill

November 5-8: VWP First Aid Training

November 7: Family Engagement Night: Sexual Health, Consent Education, Sextortion (6 p.m. virtual)

Hot lunch (Greek)

November 8: Remembrance Day Assembly 11:00 a.m.

November 11: Remembrance Day (no school)

November 13: Staff Meeting

PAC Meeting 6:30 (virtual)

November 14: Hot lunch (Mac & Cheese)

November 21: Hot lunch (Chili/Bun)

November 28:

Family Engagement: Scholarship Information Night Overview of Scholarship Process and Three Year Grad Plan 6 p.m. (Virtual)

Hot lunch (Shepherd's Pie)





Welcome to November!

October was a busy month but it has gone by so quickly! It was so wonderful to see the students celebrating Halloween in their bright, colourful and creative costumes!

Your child may wish to bring a treat to school in the days following Halloween. Please remember that we are a nut-aware school. Only treats that are clearly marked nut-free should be sent to school. In addition, teachers



would kindly ask that you send no more than one treat per day.



The Lost and Found is starting to pile up.. Please have your child check to see if anything belongs to them. On November 8, we we honour our fallen soldiers and war veterans at our annual Remembrance Day Ceremony. We will begin in our school gym at 11:00 a.m. (all are welcome to attend) and then we will march to the cenotaph afterwards. Students will conclude the ceremony by walking back to the school. We do have some poppies available for those who may want to wear one.





Twin Day was one of our first School Spirit Days! Each month, the students decide on a theme and then a date is chosen. Our next school spirit day is Friday, November 1 and the theme is Pajama/Cozy Day.











Indigenous Education

The rope knows what to do." "The poles know where they need to go." "The wind will remind you that you need to listen." "The teepee will teach you, but sometimes it is really hard for our colonized minds to learn in this way" This is a sample of some of the knowledge and teachings that has been shared by Elder and Teepee Maker Tony Solomon that was passed on to WE Graham students as they put up the schools new Anishinaabe style Teepee this Autumn.

Students have been learning Teeppee protocols shared by Tony and have been using the Teepee as part of their regular class and play times. Seeing the Teepee up in the school yard prompted one of the student's moms to stop by and share

stories of how her family traditionally used tipis in her home territory – including how the poles were transported by dogs.

Another community member stopped by the school to share how every time he sees the teepee it makes him feel "really good."

The Teepee is the teacher – and students, staff and community are listening and learning.



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