



**Dear WHPS Families,**

**Happy October!**

It's been a busy and exciting start to the school year, and we're so proud of how our students are settling into their routines and building their learning stamina each day. The energy and growth we're already seeing in our classrooms is truly inspiring!

We'd also like to take a moment to say a big **thank you** to all of you. Whether you joined us for the Terry Fox assembly and walk, came out to the WHPS Welcome Fair, or participated in our School Council and Fundraising Committee meetings – your support means the world to us. Family involvement plays a big part in our students' success, and we truly appreciate your continued partnership.

Throughout September, our teachers have been busy getting to know your child as a learner. They've completed a number of assessments to help guide instruction for each student. During our upcoming parent-teacher conferences, you'll have a chance to look through your child's learning portfolio, which includes samples of their work and assessment rubrics that show their progress and areas of focus.

We're also excited to see so many students getting involved in school activities! Grade 2 and 3 Choir and the Grade 3 Panda Teams are now up and running, and it's wonderful to see our students showing enthusiasm and school spirit.

There's lots happening in October, so keep an eye out for emails with more details on upcoming events. Teachers will also include updates in their weekly messages. And don't forget to follow us on [Facebook](#) and check out our [school website](#) to stay in the loop and see highlights from around the school.

**Please Note: Potential Labour Unrest**

*We want to make families aware that potential labour action may occur in the coming weeks, which will impact school operations. Should there be any disruption, some of the events and*

*dates listed below may need to be postponed or rescheduled. We will communicate any changes with you as soon as school resumes. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate this together.*

**October 3rd-** World Teacher Day! (We have an amazing teaching staff at WHPS & will recognize World Teacher Day on Oct. 3rd at WHPS)

**October 13th-** Happy Thanksgiving (**No School**)

**October 14th-** School Based Professional Learning Day (**No School for students**)

**October 17th-** Progress Reports will be sent home

**October 21st & 23rd -** Parent-Teacher Conferences from 4-7 pm (more information will be sent to you on Oct. 8th), our book fair will be open during P-T Conferences!

**October 28th-** 5:15 pm WHPS Fundraising meeting followed by WHPS School Council meeting at 5:45 pm in room 19

**October 29th-** Picture Retakes

**October 31st-** Halloween - wear your costume to school

Thank you for being such a valued part of our WHPS school community. We're looking forward to another great month of learning, connection, and fun!

Warm Regards,

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