



Willway Week Ahead September 25 - 29, 2023



Monday September 25	Tuesday September 26	Wednesday September 27	Thursday September 28	Friday September 29
	Last day to order Hot Dog & Booster Juice	Terry Fox Run	Grade 4 & 5 In-class Bike Lesson	Truth & Reconciliation Day - Orange Shirts are encouraged Popcorn Day Grade 4 & 5 Bike Course

Staffing Update:

We are pleased to welcome Ms. Suyoun Kim to our school. Ms. Kim is our Na'tsa'maht Classroom Program Assistant. She will be working at our school on Mondays and Thursdays.

Terry Fox Run:

We will be participating in a school-wide assembly and run in honour of Terry Fox on Wednesday, September 27th at 10:45am. Primary students will be staying on school grounds for their run. Intermediate students will be off of school grounds for their run. We have our Police Liaison Officer, Mark Hall, supporting our off-site run in our community. We will be collecting donations to give to the Terry Fox Foundation to support cancer research. Suggested donation for families who are able to contribute is \$2.00 per student.

Truth and Reconciliation Day:

On Friday, September 29th we will be honouring Truth and Reconciliation Day. We are encouraging all students and staff to wear an orange shirt this day. The orange shirt reminds us of the impact of residential schools in Canada which continues to be felt across the country today. Our school will gather together in a short assembly at 9:30am to continue to raise awareness of the significance of the orange shirt and residential schools. Families are welcome to attend.

Online Student Consent:

Thank you to all those families who have completed all the consent forms. We know it is a lot to sort through at a very busy time as we are all returning to our school year routines. For those families who have not completed the forms, please visit the [online consent portal](#) to provide and/or review consents for your child(ren). It is important that we have current consents on file in order for your child(ren) to fully participate in all of these areas.

Consents include:

- Indigenous Self-Identification
- General Consent for local/walking field trips
- Google Apps for Education (G Suite)
- Internet Access
- Media release
- Student Daily Health Check
- KEV School Cash Online
- FreshGrade

Family Contact Information:

We will not be sending home the usual student verification forms in paper format this year. If your family has a new phone number, address or email, please be sure to let us know in the office by emailing Anna at abroughton@sd62.bc.ca. It is crucial that we have up-to-date contact information on file for your child(ren) in the event we need to connect with you throughout the day. If any of your emergency contacts are different from last year, please provide us with current contact names and numbers. Thank you!

Family Smart Programs: (all Free Programs)

- **Parent Peer Support** – provides emotional support, information, resources, and help in navigating services for parents & other caring adults of children and young people with mental health and/or substance use challenges.

Our services are free. No waitlist.

- **Upcoming Workshops** (online) – Working Together: Families and Schools (October), Emotion Regulation (November), and ADHD – The Real Deal (December).

Follow the link to find out more:

<https://mailchi.mp/familysmart/join-us-for-child-youth-mental-health-day-15360768?e=4703506827>

Label Your Child's Items:

We are running a [Mabels labels](#) fundraiser and recommend getting a stamp or labels to help with the labelling process! This fundraiser will be open all fall. Go to this site campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for Willway Elementary.

PAC Facebook Page:

Willway Elementary now has a PAC Facebook Page. [Click here](#) to join.

MyEd BC Family Portal:

Instructions for logging on and navigation the portal (to access student reports cards, attendance, etc.) can be found [here](#). If you are new to the district, you will have received an email with a temporary password to activate your MyEd BC Family Portal. Please activate your account as soon as possible as the password will expire on September 30th.

Upcoming Dates:

October 2 - No School - Day In Lieu for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
October 4 - Hot Lunch Day - Hot Dog & Booster Juice Day
October 4 - Willway PAC Meeting 6:00 PM
October 4 - Cross Country @ JDF starting at 3:30 PM
October 9 - No School - Thanksgiving Day
October 13 - Popcorn Day (last day to order Oct. 4)
October 18 - Hot Lunch Day - White Spot (last day to order Oct. 10)
October 18 - Picture Day
October 20 - No School - Professional Development (Provincial)
October 26 - Popcorn Day (last day to order Oct. 17)
October 30 to November 4 - Book Fair