

STORM NEWS

Warman Community Middle School

September 2018

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! Hope everyone had a wonderful summer. We welcomed almost 500 grade 6-8 students through our school doors last week. It was so great to see how excited and enthusiastic students were to begin this school year.

As we begin a new school year, we'd like to remind you of some ways you can stay informed about what is happening at WCMS. Check out our school calendar, our school handbook, and other useful links on our school blog site at blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms. You can also access the daily announcements right from your device by clicking on the blue HERE button in the yellow banner at the top of the page. Our School Community Council also has a Face-

book page where they regularly post important information and announcements. As well, our monthly newsletter is sent to parents via email. Paper copies are available at the school office. From paper-based planners to web-based tools, WCMS teachers are also using a variety of ways to communicate with you about the daily happenings in their classrooms. You have likely already received information from your child's teacher about this.

Please take a few minutes to read our September newsletter. There is a lot of news and information that will you will find useful as we begin the 2018-2019 school year.

Your Admin Team

LET TODAY
BE THE
START OF
Something New

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SOCCER

Grade 6 Boys and Girls Soccer is in full swing. Practices are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00-4:00 on RJ Gidluck field. Games will be played over the noon

break against neighboring schools. A game schedule will be sent out once it is finalized. Final tournament date and location will be determined shortly. Players

are required to wear shin guards for all games and practices. Go STORM!!



CHEER



WCMS has a cheer program that will start up after the Thanksgiving Long Weekend. Sign-up will be at

the beginning of October for anyone interested.

CROSS COUNTRY

As we are quickly approaching the beginning of our cross country season, we wanted to provide you with some information regarding the 2018 cross



country season. Practices will be held at noon on Mondays as well as after school on Wednesdays from 3:00 - 3:45.

Upcoming cross country meets that our WCMS team will be attending:

- Martensville Cross Country

Meet – Thursday, Sept. 20th

- Biggar Cross Country Meet – Thursday, Sept. 27th

CVAC Cross Country Districts in Delisle – Wednesday, Oct. 3rd

Stay posted for information regarding upcoming meets!

GRADE 6 BOYS & GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Grade 6 Boys and Girls Volleyball begins on Tuesday, September 18th. We will be practicing at lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays

and working on basic skills and game play! It's going to be lots of fun!



7/8 BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Practices will be held after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:00 - 5:00 pm. We are also planning to have optional practices during some noon hours for athletes to partake in scrimmages/rallies.

Upcoming Tournament Schedule:

WCMS Home Volleyball Tournament – **Saturday, Oct. 20th**

Stay tuned for updates regarding upcoming games and tournaments.



7/8 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Welcome to Junior Girls Volleyball! I'm excited about the opportunity to get to know you, and I'm looking forward to being your daughter's coach this upcoming school year. I am currently creating practices with dynamic warm ups, drills that emphasize skill improvement and the development of strategic plays. I have played on volleyball teams since my junior year in school and at this time I play in a co-ed club league in Saskatoon.

Practices will be held on Mondays and (most) Games on Wednesdays.

Tournaments:

September 21 & 22 - Warman High

September 28 & 29 - Langham

October 20 - WCMS

October 27 - Aberdeen

REGULAR UPDATES CAN BE SEEN AT

<http://msyedersberger.blogspot.ca/>

Contact Information

If you do have any questions or concerns, or if you would like to schedule a conference, you can

contact me through the office at Warman Community Middle School at (306) 683-3000 or by email at ange-la.yedersberger@spiritsd.ca. If I am not available, leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Calendar

I am awaiting information on league games so will send out a calendar as soon as I have that information.



SCHOOL HANDBOOK

Looking for information on WCMS? We update the WCMS SCHOOL HANDBOOK annually. As

this is quite extensive, it can be conveniently located on our school website – blogs.spiritsd.ca/

wcms – under the green INFORMATION tab.

STORM CLOTHING/BELL TIMES/DAILY SCHEDULE

Storm clothing proved very popular with students last year not only as a gym change but as every day wear. We have a good inventory of T-shirts, shorts and sweat pants in youth and adult sizes. Students should place their orders through their homeroom teacher. Others wishing to purchase school clothing can inquire at the school office.

T-shirt- \$15

Shorts- \$15

T-shirt/shorts combo- \$25

Sweats- \$30

T-shirt/sweats combo- \$40

T-shirt/shorts/sweats combo- \$55

BELL TIMES/DAILY SCHEDULE

8:35 **Warning bell**

8:40 **School day begins**

8:40 **Instructional Block 1**

10:45 - 11:00 **Recess**

11:00 **Instructional Block 2**

12:02 - 12:42 **Lunch break**

12:42 **Warning bell (5 min)**

12:47 **Instructional Block 3**

2:52 **Dismissal**

HELP TO KEEP TERRY'S DREAM ALIVE

Warman Community Middle School will be participating in a Terry Fox Walk on Friday, September 28th from 2:00-2:45 pm. We recognize the importance of funding Cancer Research, as we have all been touched in some way by this disease. We also follow Terry's belief that every person can make a difference.

This year at WCMS we are changing our fundraising strategy. We are going to have a Grade Challenge to see which grade can collect the most money. The grade

that collects the most money will receive a Movie afternoon in the WCMS Theatre.

There will be 2 collection days, Monday, September 24th and Friday, September 28th. Monies collected will be displayed for students to see, and help create a friendly competition amongst grades. The final totals will be announced on Monday, October 1st.

Students can take their donation to their Homeroom teacher on either of the 2 collection days. All

money collected helps to fund Cancer research as part of the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope. Parents are welcome to join their children for our Terry Fox Walk on Friday, September 28th.

Thanks so much,

WCMS Staff



"Even if I don't finish, we need others to continue. It's got to keep going without me."

- Terry Fox

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER FOR EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS

FUNDSCRIP is back by popular demand! We will be kicking off our annual school-wide gift card fundraiser to support extra-curricular programs at WCMS on **Thursday, September 27**. We count on this fundraiser to support our school's many extracurricular programs. The proceeds of this fall fundraiser support the approximately \$10,000 annual expenses that allow WCMS students to participate in a variety of extra-curricular activities at no expense.

Fundscrip costs you nothing! By purchasing gift cards from FundScrip you can pay for everyday purchases that you already make.

Every month you spend hundreds of dollars for things like food, gas, clothing, pharmacy, restaurants, electronics, home renovations, department stores, and so on. All you have to do is pay for some or all of your purchases using gift cards bought at face value from FundScrip participating retailers and a percentage of every gift card purchased is contributed back to WCMS. The program has over one hundred and seventy participating retailers, including popular local businesses like Tim Hortons, Extra Foods, A&W, Boston Pizza, Pizza Hut, Subway, and Canadian Tire. We encourage everyone to invite their family

members, friends, co-workers and neighbors to participate in FundScrip as well. After all, they probably buy groceries and gas, just like you do! One big change this year is that we will be having **two collection dates only**, not three. So be sure to get out there selling right away!

Key dates:

Assembly - fundraiser kickoff/ students bring home sales packages
Thursday, September 27.

First order collection day:

Wednesday, October 3

Second order collection day:

Wednesday, October 10

FACILITY ACCESS PLAN

WCMS and the Legends Centre were designed to ensure that we can move large numbers of people in and out of the facility quickly and safely. Please follow these guidelines to help do your part:

- School bus loading and unloading in the east side of the Legends Centre – in front of the

Legends Centre.

- Parent pickup and drop off of students – please use the parking available on Gowan Road on the west side of the school. DO NOT use the Legends Centre parking lot as a location to pick up students.

- Student pedestrians – please use the pathways and sidewalks. Please use the bike racks on the school side of the facility. Pedestrian students are asked not to loiter in the bus loading area or park bikes in the city bike racks in front of the Legends Centre.

DEMOGRAPHIC UPDATE

Thank you to those parents who have completed the online demographic update through PowerSchool. However, we have a significant number of students for whom this has not been complet-

ed, meaning we do not necessarily have up to date contact, medical or permission information for these students. **If you have not logged on and completed this process, please do so using the**

information that has been sent home to you, or contact Jolee at the office for further support.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**No School for Students
October 5th & 8th**



School Picture Day

Jostens Photography will be here on **Friday, September 21** to take our annual school photographs.

Students will bring home a photo information sheet a day or two prior to our picture day.

Retakes are scheduled for October 29.

Contact Us

Give us a call or email any time with questions, concerns or suggestions.

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Visit us on the web at :

<http://blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms/>

Follow the Blog

Click on the "follow" tab at the bottom of our blog (<http://blogs.spiritsd.ca/wcms/>) if you would like to receive an email each time a post is added.

A reminder to parents, guardians and other visitors who have school business to please check in at the school office upon your arrival.
Thanks!

WARMAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

We are excited to kick off another school year in the Warman Community Library as students can take advantage of a wide variety of services and opportunities far beyond what any regular school library can provide, including:

- Extended library hours on evenings, weekends, and school breaks.
- Access to resources from across Saskatchewan's public library system.
- Online books and magazines that can be downloaded from anywhere to the student's device.
- A modern and comfortable space

Students will only need their library credentials outside of school hours. During the school day they will be allowed to check out resources using our excel document with their barcodes.

NEW!!!! -We are excited to announce that we have partnered with the Warman Public Library to purchase digital card readers so students and all patrons of the Warman Community Library have three convenient ways to provide their library card:

- Library card
- Library key fob
- Digital photo of your library card on your electronic device

As users of the Warman Community Library, all student patrons are responsible for adhering to Wheatland Regional Library policies regarding overdue and lost materials. Students are issued a receipt with every resource they check out of the Warman Community Library. Checking on the status of an account can be conveniently done by visiting the library directly, calling the Warman Community Library at 306-933-4387 or logging on to wheatland.sk.ca with your li-

brary card number. The pin number is defaulted to the last 4 digits of your phone number. WCMS students are charged fines in accordance with Wheatland Regional Libraries borrowing policies for overdue and missing books. Please check your child's account regularly to ensure they are returning books on time.

You should receive emails from the library when your child's requested books come in or when their books are approaching the due date or are overdue. If you have not been receiving these messages, please check with the library staff to ensure we have the correct email address on record.

In the event that settling fines may present a financial hardship to the family, parents are encouraged to contact Tracy Dolezsar-Glarvin, WCMS Principal to explore other options including volunteering or service projects to address the fines.

Be a **Fruit Loop** in a bowl of
Cheerios

Be a **crayon** in a box of
markers

Be a **flamingo** in a flock of **pigeons**
Be a **butterfly** in a bunch of
caterpillars

Be an **angelfish** in a tank of
goldfish

+& most importantly;

Be **YOU** in a crowd of **THEM**

Staff

One of the many strengths of our school is our tremendous staff.

Our 2018-2019 staff is:

Tracy Dolezsar-Glarvin – Principal

Lisa Mason – Vice-Principal

Jolee Dyck – Admin. Assistant

Patty Kirby – Admin. Assistant

Grade 6

Erin Boyle

Paris Burgess

Corey Fast

Karen Georgacacos

Marie Guenther

Erin Hoffman

Curtis Prescesky

Crystal Procyshyn

Grade 7

Clark Bymoen

Victoria Dyck

Craig Folden

Terra Kooy

Mike Pavloff (Cianna Lieffers)

Adine Sander

Scott Woods-Fehr

Grade 8

Blake Cumming

Guy Farquharson

Evan Folden

Deanna Koroluk

Brittany Krauss

Craig Stewart

Kirsten Taylor

Angela Yedersberger

Madisen Harvey/Jen Zimmer

Music

Andra Wist

SERT

Michelle Kavanagh

Brandi Kelsie

Learning Facilitator

Hali Hamel

Counsellor

Cassandra D'Amore

Educational Assistant

Cindy Brisbin

Pam Carpenter

Maureen Forsberg

Darlene Heide

Jessica Janzen

Donna Parsons

Jodi Pawliw

Linda Schnurr

Itinerant

Trevor Belyk

Heather Wegren

Caretakers

Cynthia Janzen

Jim Neufeld

Reuben Rosom

Jay-Ann Sochaski

A special welcome to our new staff.

#BladeCity

Welcome Back to School Special Offer!

The Saskatoon Blades believe in the value of education. All our players are enrolled in classes and, just like you, are now back at school, in addition to playing hockey. To celebrate the return of the school season, we are pleased to provide students with one complimentary **Child/Youth Ticket** to the Blades Home Opener against the Swift Current Broncos Saturday, September 22, at 7 p.m.

To receive your ticket, please present this letter (on paper or on a phone) at the Blades office before the date of the game or at the SaskTel Centre Box Office on the day of the game.

We recommend redeeming this coupon early to avoid line-ups. This voucher is not valid with any other offer.

Yours in Hockey,

Saskatoon Blades Hockey Club
306-975-8844
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*Building Partnerships Within
Prairie Spirit Learning Communities*

**Saturday, October 20, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Martensville High School**

Growing Together Conference Goal:

This conference is for SCCs, Parents and Schools. Our goal is to develop strong roots within communities as we grow, and to honour relationships and engagement, with learning at the core.

Keynote Speakers:

Dr. Debbie Pushor is a professor at the University of Saskatchewan in the Department of Curriculum Studies. Debbie is an internationally renowned researcher and author on parent engagement.

Cory O'Soup is Saskatchewan's Advocate for Children and Youth. His priorities are to find ways to reduce the number of First Nations and Métis children and youth in care, and to improve mental health services in Saskatchewan.

Breakout sessions/Interactive panels will focus on topics such as:

- Mental health/emotional wellness/trauma
- SCCs/communities/schools engaging and working together
- Supporting difficult teenagers
- Navigating social media with children and teens
- SCC Handbook walkthrough
- Supporting your child with math and reading at home
- Time to meet with your team to reflect and plan

Registration:

- Teams of at least 5 (no maximum)
- Teams can include SCC members, parents, administrators, and teachers
- \$50 per team of 5, plus \$10 per additional member
- Snacks and lunch provided
- Please contact [Peggy Mattila-Bains](#), Coordinator, for more information

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