



WCI NEWSLETTER



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UPCOMING EVENTS

PD DAY

Friday, Oct. 23

No school for students

Spirit Week

Oct. 26-30

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Pancake Breakfast

Oct. 26

For staff and students

Take Our Kids to Work

Thursday, Nov. 4

Grade 9 students will be off to work this day. Ask Mrs. Riddell for details

JV Volleyball Zones

Nov. 3 and 4

Picture Retakes

Monday, Nov. 9- afternoon

Varsity Volleyball Zones

Nov. 9 and Nov. 12

Remembrance Day Service

Nov. 10 at 10:30 am

Progress Conversations

Thursday, Nov. 12

Stay tuned for a Synervoice detailing how to sign up for a meeting.

Report Cards

Thursday, Nov. 27

Sent home via email.



Welcome to Our Fall Update!

WCI has hit the ground running this fall, and there's been no shortage of great things happening around the school. From classrooms and shops to athletic events and extracurricular activities, students have already had the chance to learn, explore, compete, and connect in meaningful ways.

This edition of our newsletter highlights just a few of the things that have been keeping WCI busy. You'll find updates on the Farm to School fundraiser, school clubs, peer tutoring, graduation clothing orders, and the continued progress of the track revitalization project. We're also proud to celebrate the accomplishments of our cross-country runners and the many students who have jumped into new opportunities this year.

Learning at WCI extends far beyond textbooks. Students have been making memories and building skills through experiences like the zoo field trip, the canoe trip, hands-on science activities, and practical learning in Home Economics and Woods classes. Whether they're trying something new, strengthening a skill, or discovering a passion, our students continue to make the most of every opportunity.

As you read through these pages, we hope you get a sense of the energy, excitement, and pride that make WCI such a great place to learn. Thank you for being part of our school community, and we hope you enjoy this fall update.

WCI Clubs Corner



Get involved beyond the classroom! Joining a club is a great way to build friendships, discover new interests, develop leadership skills, and feel connected to the WCI community. There's something for everyone, so take a look at the clubs below and get involved!

Audio Book Club– Every Friday (Mrs. Nesbitt)

Come chill with friends, while listening to a book.

Dungeons and Dragons: Student-led group

See Mrs. Nesbitt for details.

Ethics Bowl– Starts in November (Mrs. Dion/Mr. Fehr)

Do you like to argue? Get your point across? If you are interested in debating ethical issues, please see Mrs. Dion to join the team.

Envirothon– Starts after the winter break

(Mrs. Dion/Mr. Fehr/Mrs. Pemkowski)

Become an expert in environmental topics from wildlife to aquatics.

Pages and Plants Club– Every Tuesday

(Mrs. Nesbitt/Mrs. Dion)

Fresh air, crafts, friends, and more!

WCI Leadership– Meets every other Monday

(Mrs. Campbell/Mrs. Riddell/Mrs. Comte/Mrs. Nesbitt)

School spirit, community advocacy, intramurals

Canoe Trip

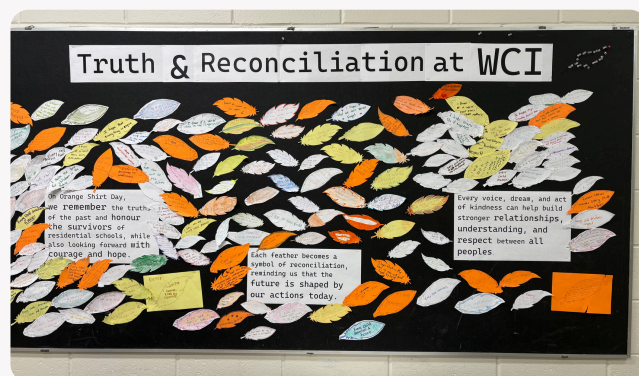
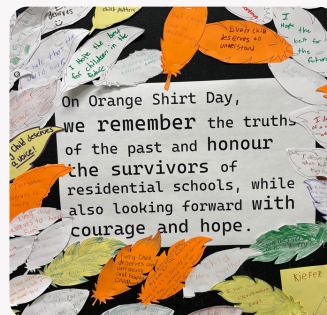
Students from WCI and others from Interlake School Division participated in a land-based canoe trip on October 1st. Students paddled on Netley Creek, then shared a meal together while learning about the Indigenous history of the Netley area.



Truth and Reconciliation

Our school community came together for a meaningful Truth and Reconciliation assembly focused on learning, reflection, and hope. Through the stories of residential school survivor David Decontie and Orange Shirt Day founder Phyllis Webstad, students deepened their understanding of Canada's history and the importance of reconciliation.

Students also participated in a feather activity, writing messages of hope and commitment to a better future. In many Indigenous cultures, feathers symbolize honour, respect, courage, and truth. Together, the completed feather collage serves as a reminder that reconciliation is an ongoing journey that begins with listening, learning, and taking action.



Graduate Corner

Grad Clothing: Stay tuned for a class vote on your Grad clothing design.

Baby Picture: Send in your baby picture to Mr. Scrutton via Teams or email.



Take to the Track for Terry

The WCI Leadership Group hosted a Terry Fox walk and BBQ fundraiser in September. Together, over 1500 laps were walked by students and staff, and over \$700 was raised for the Terry Fox Foundation.



Zoo Field Trip

On Oct. 8, The Biology 40S and Environmental Science classes went to the zoo. While there, the biology students worked on a biodiversity project. The Environmental Science students worked on an animal behavior study in which they had to observe their assigned animal for an hour. They practiced scan sampling and found animal sampling.



Cross-Country Zones and Provincial Championship

A huge congratulations goes out to all cross-country team members. The cross-country Zone V Championship was held at Rosser Community Friendship Park, with many great individual performances. In the Varsity girls category, it was a 1,2,3 sweep with Mackenzie B. finishing first, Maria R. finishing second, and Joslyn T. coming in third. Overall the Varsity Girls took home the Senior Girls banner. For the JV girls, Cooper D. finished third. The JV boys also took home the JV Boys banner. In the Varsity Boys category, Sam C. finished second.

Provincials were held at St. Malo Provincial Park this year. The races consisted of at least 240 athletes per race, and a partial run through sand. All athletes should be proud! Special shoutout to Mackenzie B. for placing 15th out of 243 runners!



Peer Tutoring Program Up and Running

Students have been nominated by teachers to become peer tutors in the building. Students wanting a tutor can put in a request to Mrs. Dion or Mrs. Comte. They will then be matched with a peer tutor and given a time to meet with them. Thank you to Mrs. Dion and Mrs. Comte for your time with this program, and to all the tutors that are volunteering their time.



"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." — Helen Keller

Track Project



Have you driven by WCI lately? If so, you may have noticed some exciting progress on our track revitalization project. In June, the project reached another major milestone with the paving of the track and the painting of the lane lines.

This achievement would not have been possible without the generous support of our families, community members, local businesses, the ISD, and many other partners. We are incredibly grateful for the collective effort that has brought this vision to life.

Stay tuned this spring as we celebrate the GRAND OPENING of the new track and showcase this wonderful addition to our school and community.



Farm to School Fundraiser



Our students are excited to participate in a Farm-to-School vegetable fundraiser to help support a special School Spirit Day later this year.

As a rural school, we value the strong connection between agriculture, our community, and the opportunities that come from working together. Through this fundraiser, students will sell fresh vegetables while developing teamwork, responsibility, and an appreciation for local food.

Funds raised will help provide a School Spirit Day trip to the city, where students will enjoy a movie together. This experience will celebrate their hard work, strengthen friendships, and create lasting memories.

We thank our families and community members for their continued support and look forward to a successful fundraiser and a fantastic day of school spirit!

How to order:

1.Orders can be placed online by visiting www.peakofthemarket.com.

2.Choose our school's name at checkout, along with a student's name or community order (if not attached to a student). **ORDERS DUE by Oct. 31.**

3.Orders will be delivered to the school in mid-November.

Spirit Week!!!!!!

Oct. 26-30



HALLOWEEN SPIRIT WEEK

October 26th - 30th

Monday	Pyjama Day + Pancake Breakfast
Tuesday	Color Wars + Hunger Games
Wednesday	Silly Hair and Socks Day
Thursday	Neon Day + Pumpkin Carving
Friday	HALLOWEEN - Dress Up

Decorative elements: Ghosts, pumpkins, candy, a scarecrow, and musical notes.

Celebrating Academic Excellence



On October 13, WCI proudly recognized students who achieved academic averages of 80% or higher during the 2025-2026 school year. Students earning averages between 80% and 89.9% received a Certificate of Merit, while those achieving averages of 90% or higher were awarded the ISD Medal of Excellence and a Certificate of Merit with Honours.

WCI also recognized the students who attained the highest average in each grade:

- Grade 9: Kyle Ball (95.4%)
- Grade 10: Mya Good (97.22%)
- Grade 11: Maria Riddell (97.83%)

These accomplishments reflect the hard work, dedication, and commitment our students demonstrate each day. Congratulations to all students on their academic success. Your efforts continue to make the WCI community proud!



Student Spotlight

In each issue of the WCI Newsletter, we will be featuring at least one student who exemplifies outstanding character, leadership, academic dedication, or school involvement. We want to celebrate students who make a difference! Students can be nominated by their peers or staff.

Our Student Spotlight goes to....

Katelynne Defoort



Grade: 12

Favourite Subject: Biology

Favourite Activity/Club: Plant Club and Book Club

Plans for after High School: Saving up to go to Japan

Favourite Out of School Hobbies: Reading

Katelynne has really stood out this school year as a leader in several of our school-based clubs. She is a member of the Pages and Plant Club, Audibook Club, and the Envirothon Team. Katelynne is also a part of our ISD Student Land Based Learning Group. What makes her special is that she doesn't just come up with great ideas; she is willing to put in the work to make them happen. She is always punctual, eager to help, and ready to jump in wherever she is needed.

Katelynne also makes an effort to bring other students into our clubs by reaching out to new people and encouraging them to get involved. She understands that being a leader is about more than taking charge; it's about making others feel welcome and being willing to do the little things that make a difference. Whether she is helping set up an event, tidying up afterward, or working quietly in the library on assignments and studying, Katelynne consistently shows responsibility, dedication, and a strong work ethic. She is the kind of student who makes our school community a better place simply by being someone others can count on. Thank you, Katelynne!



WCI in Pictures



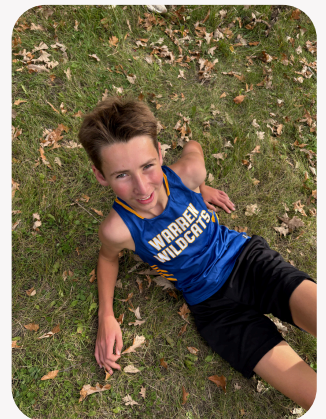
Grade 9 first day of high school



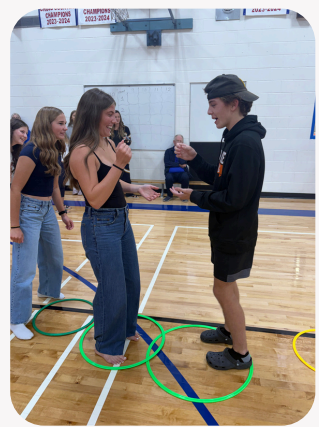
Grade 12 last, first day of high school



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Smile, You're on Camera!

