



NEWS & REMINDERS: WENTWORTH

September 21, 2018

Message from the Head of Wentworth

Dear Wentworth Families,

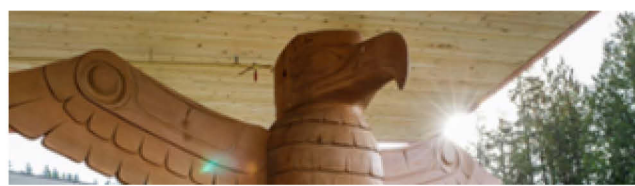
After just 13 days of school, the students are making the most of the incredible opportunities available to them at Wentworth. Along with the powerful learning already happening in classes, on field trips, and at outdoor school, our wide variety of [co-curricular offerings](#) allows students to further explore their passions and to try something new! We encourage you to review the wealth of opportunities with your child to see what excites them.

Thank you to all of you who attended our grade-specific 'Meet the Teacher' evenings over the past few weeks. We hope that you had a chance to get to know our incredible faculty, and how they will nurture your child through the school year. We are very lucky to have such a talented and committed group facilitating student learning.

This week we had our first assembly, which was led by a courageous group of grade 6 and 7 students, and a grade 4 'Superstar Assembly Starter'. At Wentworth, we aim to provide every student the opportunity to grow and develop their own leadership skills. Student voice and empowerment are at the core of what we believe in, and our student-led assemblies serve as one example of this. Over the course of the year, we're confident you'll see your child engaged in these types of leadership opportunities too!

At the assembly, we were lucky enough to be joined by our Chair of the Board Brent Wolverton, and our Head of School Lisa Evans. We spoke to the students about our school values and encouraged them to show up to school each day as Curious, Courageous, and Community-Minded learners. We challenged them to ask bold questions, to take risks with their learning, and to seek support from the community of teachers and students when they meet challenges. Thank you for all that you are doing to reflect on these values at home as well.

Marc Young
Head of Wentworth



Thoughts on the Totem ceremony September 2018

We are proud to start each new school year at Wentworth with a totem ceremony. We gathered as a school, grateful for the place we live in and the community that is Collingwood. As always Klatle Bhi, who carved our totem pole, inspired us to be true to ourselves and to care for each other. There was a hushed silence in the gym as he spoke with authority and insight.

During the ceremony, students and teachers shared their experiences of Klatle Bhi carving the totem in our lobby. They spoke of the inspirational stories Klatle Bhi told and of the meaning, the eagle totem had for them. The ceremony was very moving and we are grateful to Richelle Forbes for organizing it and for all those that took part. It was the perfect start to the New Year, as it recognized our past but reminded us to live in the moment, to do our best and to care for those around us. I had the privilege to read a poem I feel sums up the message for me:

The Eagle

Do not forget the nest that you came from

Many will want you to be what you are not

Never forget who taught you to fly

Never forget who you are

Always be proud of the song that is in you

Sing it loudly until you are heard

Never forget who it is that you sing for

Never forget who you are

- anonymous

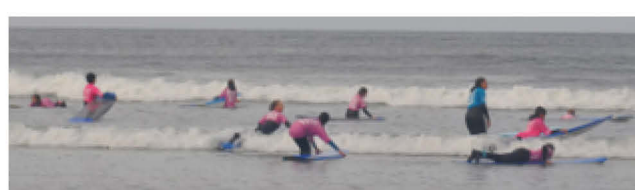
Parents' Council Parent Information Meeting

Wednesday, September 26, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Hey Parents! Your Parents' Council would love to connect with you! We invite you to join our PC Evening Parent Information Meeting this coming Wednesday, September 26, 6-7p.m. in the Wentworth FSC.

This is an opportunity to come and hear from Parents' Council about what events and initiatives we have in store for the year ahead, and also to provide any suggestions or input for your Parents' Council Team. We are here to support our whole parent body and we would love to hear your ideas. Hope to you see you there!

Leslie Farrar
Parents' Council Chair



Tofino Surf & Service Trip

Last week a group of Grade 7 students visited Tofino for our annual Surf & Service Trip. This trip embodies the Round Square ideals of Environmentalism, Adventure and Service.

Students were guided through surf lessons with Surf Sisters where 12 out of 12 students managed to actually stand up on their boards! In service, students worked cleaning touch tanks and participated in a beach clean-up.

Many thanks to our teacher leaders Erin Button, Jeff Stacey and Grant Harder for leading the kids through this amazing adventure.

[Read More](#)

Important Dates:

Student Photo Orders
Online orders due today!
Friday, Sept. 21.

Visit [here](#) for more information.

Backpack Buddies
Sept. 17-24

Collection has been **extended to Monday, September 24.**

Donation boxes will be in the front lobby. Please have your children drop all items into the appropriate house box. Only single packed food items please. View a list of acceptable items [here](#).

Gr. 6-7 Quebec Trip Information Meeting for Parents

Originally scheduled for Monday, Sept. 27, this meeting has been postponed. Stay tuned for details!

Terry Fox Run

Thursday, September 27
PE strip for JK-Grade 7
To sponsor, visit [here](#).

Kindie Buddy Meeting

Friday, Sept. 28
Gr. 12s will visit the kindies at Wentworth



2nd Annual Fall Farmers Market

Wednesday Oct. 10
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wentworth Garden
All donations go to Backpack Buddies.



Collingwood School Parent Conference

Friday, Oct. 12
Registration opens
Thursday, Sept. 27
More details [here](#).

Save the Date!

Four Ivy League Universities:
Yale, Princeton, Cornell & Brown at Collingwood School, Morven Campus
October 16, 7:00 p.m.
Invitation to come.

Late Start Information

Due to the late start on Wednesday, October 3, all morning practices and before school care will be cancelled at the Wentworth Campus. Morning drop off will begin at 9:30-9:50am, and attendance will be taken at 9:50am. We will send a more detailed communication next week outlining drop off times, attendance, timetables and a note regarding 'Late Start' bus schedules. Thank you for your support.

JK & K Open House

Do you or your friends have a child born in 2014 or 2015 who is not yet attending Collingwood School? If so, we invite you to join us for our upcoming JK & K-only Open House on Wednesday, October 10. Please register [here](#). Contact openhouse@collingwood.org for more information.

Parents' Council

Gr. 6-7 Coffee Morning
Monday, Sept. 24
8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
Wentworth FSC

Inclement Weather

As an early reminder, we wanted to remind all families of our inclement weather procedures. In the event of snow and school closures, you will find information posted to the [homepage](#), [Students](#) and [Parents](#) pages of our website by 6:30 a.m..

If you haven't already updated your alternate pick up information for your children in PCR, please do so.

REMINDERS:

**OCT. 3 LATE START
9:30AM**

**OCT. 19 PRO-D
SCHOOL CLOSED**