

June 2026

Elementary Campus Monthly Principal Report



Dear Westmount Charter School (WCS) Community,

As we wrap up the 2025–2026 school year, it is incredible to look back on everything we have accomplished together. May ended on a high note with our Cinderella drama performance and the Fine Arts evening, which showcased our Grade 3/4 choir and student artwork.

June is shaping up to be an exciting month. We kicked things off with the School Council Year-End celebration on June 5, and our Volunteer Tea on June 8. We look forward to Sports Day and the year-end Summer Send-Off Assembly. Additionally, during the week of June 15, all students (K–4) will participate in a Plantwalk Residency with Kayln Kodiak in recognition of National Indigenous Peoples Month.

EC classes also have exciting activities planned to close out the school year. Kindergarten and Grade 1 spent the day at the Calgary Farm Yard, Grade 2s will be exploring Telus Spark, and Grade 3s are hosting a community donation drive. Meanwhile, our Grade 4 students are preparing for their transition to Grade 5 with a morning visit to the mid-high campus, a Dragon Boating field trip, and a special Grade 4 Send-Off event.

Finally, we want to express appreciation to our dedicated staff, amazing students, and supportive families for making this such a fantastic year. Thank you for always working to **be kind, be curious, and bring out the best in each other**.

Have a wonderful and safe summer break!

Kind regards,

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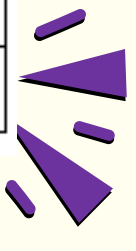


Calendar of Events

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Calendar

June 2026

June 5	School Council - End of Year Event 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. and 30 th Anniversary Celebrations Spirit Day - Westmount Pride Coffee Talk In-Person 8:50-9:50 a.m.
June 8	Volunteer Tea at EC 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
June 10	School Council Online Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
June 12	Westmount Wear Friday
June 23	Sports Day Last Day for Lost and Found Items
June 24	Last Day of School Term 2 Progress Reports Sent Out Digitally



SUMMER
HOLIDAYS



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Upcoming Events

SAVE THE DATE

Meet the Teacher

Wednesday, September 9, 2026: 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Presentations in the Main Gym

5:00 p.m. Grades 1 - 2

5:30 p.m. Kindergarten

6:00 p.m. Grades 3 - 4



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GRADE 4 SEND-OFF Celebration!

You're off to Great Places! You're off and away!

With appreciation, we invite our staff to celebrate our Grade 4 students

THURSDAY JUNE 18, 2026	4:00 - 6:00 PM	WCS ELEMENTARY CAMPUS
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→ AN AFTERNOON OF MEMORIES, RECOGNITION & FUN! ←

STAFF RECOGNITION A special thank-you to our dedicated staff	CEREMONY Honoring our amazing Grade 4s	MUSIC, GAMES & TREATS Let's celebrate together!
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Music Update



JUNE MUSIC UPDATE



HIGHLIGHTS

Kindergarten - Learning a fun dance, *Syvspring*, or *Seven Jumps*; building rhythmic awareness, phrasing, sequencing, balance and coordination. Click the link and try it together.

Grade 1 - Exploring the musical story *Peter and the Wolf* by Prokofiev; learning about the instruments and themes that represent each character.

Grade 2 - Performing xylophone accompaniments to work on 4-beat meter; movement and activities to learn about *Carnival of the Animals* by Saint-Saens.

Grade 3 - Feeling 3-beat meter through movement, body percussion, and conducting; melodic work in the pentatonic scale and part singing.

Grade 4 - Working on playing recorders in tune with a musical, consistent tone and legato (connected) phrasing.

FINE ARTS NIGHT

Congratulations to the choir for their dedication and hard work. Their singing was beautiful, expressive and inspiring. What a wonderful group of talented singers!

A heartfelt thank you as well to our parents for your continued support. We truly appreciate you!



CHOIR NOTES

Grade 1 & 2 Spring LEAD Choir will be performing at the Parent Volunteer Tea.

Parent Volunteer Tea
Monday, June 8th
1:00-2:00 pm



The Fine Arts Choir will sing *The Wind Beneath My Wings* at the Parent Volunteer Tea. Please send students to school in their blue choir shirt.



It has been a joyful year of music making together! Wishing everyone a fantastic summer and looking forward to all that the new school year brings.



Information

Welcome to Westmount

On May 25, we hosted a virtual Information Night for new WCS families and were pleased to virtually meet many of our new WCS family members! This session was very well attended and provided insights about Westmount and addressed questions received in advance.

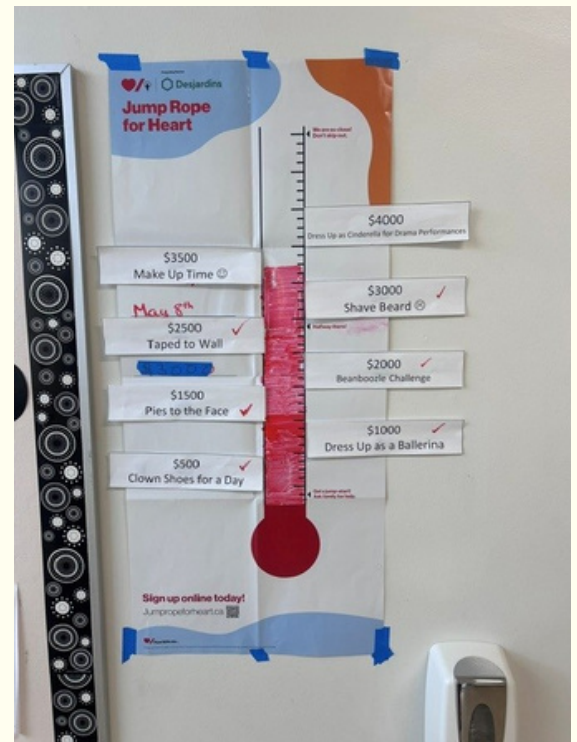


Jump Rope For Heart

Congratulations to our school community for the outstanding fundraising efforts in support of Heart & Stroke through the Jump Rope for Heart program! This initiative not only benefits Heart & Stroke but also encourages students to stay active and promotes vital heart and brain research.

A special thank you goes to Mr. Khawaja for his incredible enthusiasm, school spirit, and dedication in leading Jump Rope for Heart at the Elementary Campus.

Together, we raised an impressive \$4,200.00 for Heart & Stroke. Throughout, Mr. Khawaja organized incentive challenges to further enhance our fundraising efforts!

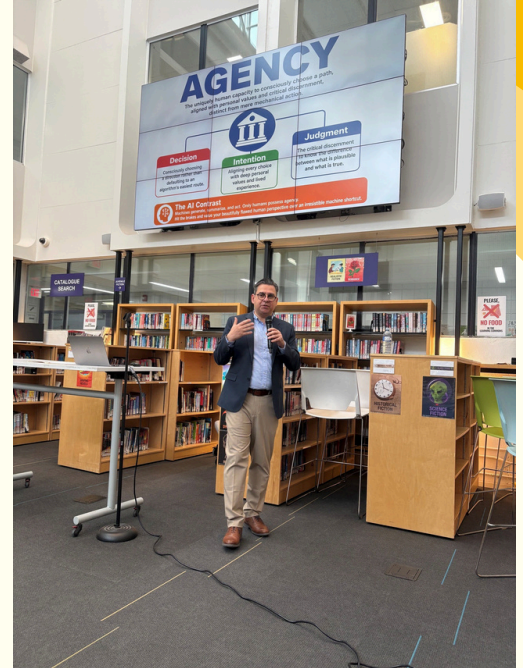


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Professional Learning (PL)

On May 15, we had the pleasure of welcoming Dr. Soroush Sabbaghan from the University of Calgary, who shared his insights on artificial intelligence with all WCS staff. He introduced the 3A Framework: agency, attunement, and accountability to protect the cognitive and emotional growth of gifted students.



STEMC Math Challenge

We are proud to share that Westmount Charter School students performed very well in the STEMC 2026 math competition. Students across all grade levels demonstrated strong problem-solving skills and perseverance. 30 elementary students earned awards and were invited to attend the STEMC 2026 Award Ceremony on May 24.

Level 1 Award Winners: Doran, Avir, Lora, Aaron, Tyson, Christopher, Ihsan, Asoka, Westin, Avyukt, Matias, Mia, Bernard, Seth, Elsie, Theo, Lamees, and Hiro.

Level 2 Award Winners: Bryan, Luka, Jadon, Eason, Sadra, Raphael, Aiden, Evan, Enoch, Ethan, Margot and Rachel

Congratulations to all participants for their hard work and dedication!



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Science Olympics

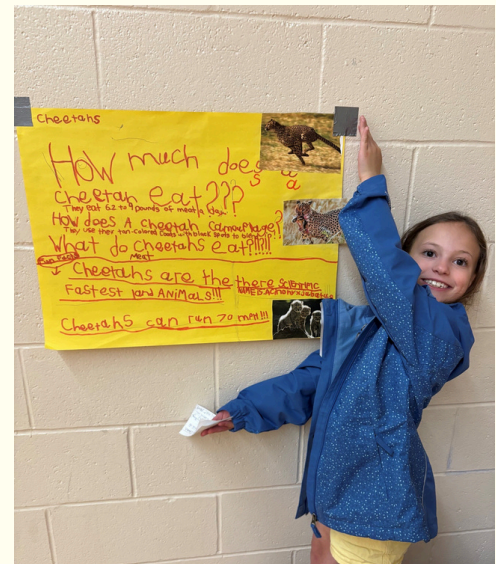
Many of our students participated in the APEGA (The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta) annual Science Olympics on May 23. This year, students faced an exciting challenge. They were tasked with creating a prototype for a device crafted from recycled or reused materials. The device had to incorporate red, blue, and yellow cellophane, designed specifically for use at a sporting event. The primary purpose was to help color-blind fans see jersey numbers.

Congratulations to all students participating in this event!



Grade 2 Genius Hour

On Thursday, June 4, Ms. Petrowich's class proudly presented their Genius Hour Projects. All parents and guardians were warmly invited to join and explore the gym, where they could listen to presentations and engage with students by asking questions. Each student had the opportunity to share insights on a topic of their choice that they have been diligently working on throughout the entire school year.



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Fit Set Ninja

The Fit Set Ninja mobile obstacle course came to our campus on May 27 and 28. The weather was perfect for this outdoor activity! Students conquered challenging obstacles through strength, flexibility, and determination. This activity was supported by the EC Casino Fundraising Society.



Donation Drive

The Grade 3 classes have a donation drive happening during the first two weeks of June. They have been learning about charities, volunteering, and helping others in the community. They supported two important Calgary organizations: Inn from the Cold, which helps vulnerable families find stability in times of crisis, and Brown Bagging for Calgary Kids, which helps provide food for children facing food insecurity. Thank you to all those who donated!

OUR PURPOSE
Your donations help provide healthy snacks to children in Calgary who might otherwise go hungry on the weekends and during school breaks.
TOGETHER, WE CAN HELP KIDS FEEL CAREED FOR AND SUPPORTED!

DONATIONS ARE ACCEPTED DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF JUNE!

WHAT TO DONATE
Please donate individually wrapped, nut-free, shelf-stable snacks such as:

- Nature Valley Granola Bars
- Kirkland Soft Chewy Granola Bars
- Goldfish Crackers
- Bear Paws Chocolate Chip
- Ritz Bits Snack Pack
- SunType Fruit To Go
- GoGo Squeeze Fruit Sauce

DROP-OFF INFORMATION
Drop off at the **ELEMENTARY CAMPUS**

EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE!
Thank you for helping Calgary kids thrive!

TOGETHER, WE CAN FILL BAGS WITH HOPE!

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ITEMS THAT ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED

- ♥ Enfamil A+ Baby Formula
- ♥ Baby food and snacks such as baby cereal for 4 months+
- ♥ Baby wipes, unscented preferred
- ♥ Diapers and training pants, all sizes
- ♥ Baby lotion
- ♥ Baby powder, diaper cream, petroleum jelly
- ♥ Pacifiers
- ♥ Age appropriate first year toys
- ♥ Baby onesies in 0-3, 4-6, and 7-9 months
- ♥ Sleepers or footed pajamas
- ♥ Baby socks
- ♥ Baby mittens to prevent scratching
- ♥ Baby hats, soft cotton or fleece
- ♥ Hooded baby towels
- ♥ Baby monitors with cameras
- ♥ Laundry soap
- ♥ Dish soap, all purpose cleaner
- ♥ Shampoo and conditioner, full sizes
- ♥ Body wash and soap, full sizes or bars
- ♥ Deodorant
- ♥ Shaving items
- ♥ Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- ♥ Waterproof changing pads
- ♥ Diaper Genie refills
- ♥ Diaper Genie pails

PLEASE NOTE: All donated items must be new, unworn, and unopened, as we do not have the facilities to launder used items. Unfortunately, we are unable to accept items not listed above due to limited storage capacity. We are unable to accept hand-knit or crocheted items at this time, although we deeply admire the time, care, and creativity that go into making them.

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TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!
Thank you for helping moms and babies build a brighter future.

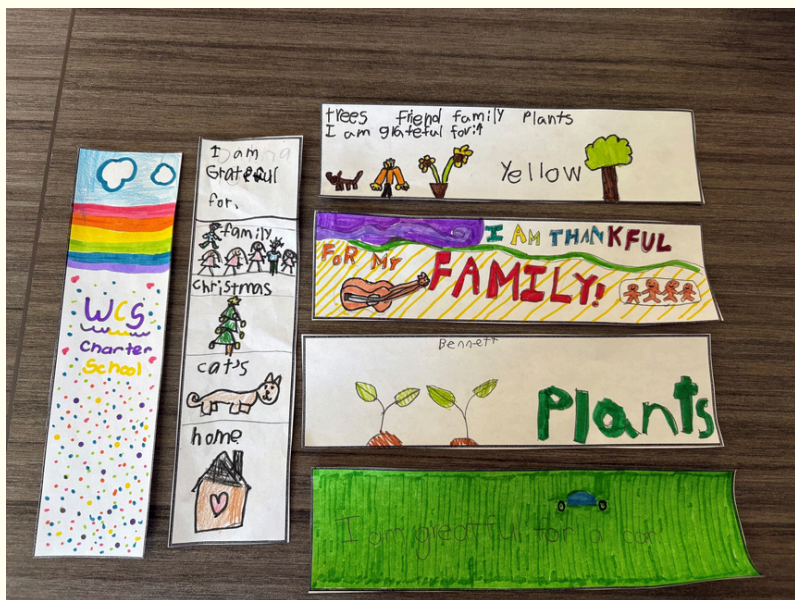
SMALL DONATIONS. BIG IMPACT.



House Colour Challenges

June Challenge

The June House Colour Challenge is all about gratitude! Students are invited to design a bookmark with the theme of gratitude or "I am grateful for...". All submissions will be displayed in the main hallway, and a vote will be held to select the winning design. Throughout the month of June, daily announcements will contain ideas and inspiration to help them choose their gratitude theme!



"At Westmount we are kind when we help each other. We show curiosity when we ask questions. We bring out the best in each other when we do our best listening." (Bryan 1Y)

Be Kind,
Be Curious,
Bring Out the Best
In Each Other

Celebrate

Drama & Fine Arts

On May 19, 20, and 21, the Westmount Players showcased their rendition of Cinderella, inspired by Charles Perrault's classic fairytale from 1697. This enchanting production tells the story of Cinderella, a nobleman's daughter who endures the harsh treatment of her spiteful stepmother and stepsisters. Everything changes when her fairy godmother appears, granting her the opportunity to attend the royal ball, where she meets the prince and falls in love.

Congratulations to the cast and crew for their remarkable efforts in bringing this story to life. We extend our gratitude to Mrs. Lofthouse and Mrs. Hamilton for providing this wonderful opportunity for WCS students. Their passion, creativity, and unwavering dedication not only brought Cinderella to the stage but also seamlessly celebrated Westmount's thirty-year milestone.

During the Fine Arts evening, the choir performed A Dream is a Wish Your Heart Makes, Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo, When I Sing, and the original school song, Wind Beneath My Wings under the direction of Mrs. Nystevold.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Westmount Players' performances.



Celebrate

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the **Calgary Stampede** for hosting a pancake breakfast for our school community on Friday, May 22. It was wonderful to see so many families come together to participate. We were also thrilled to welcome the Grade 5 students and families from the MH campus that morning; it truly fostered a sense of community. When we asked a Grade 1 class about their experience, one student exclaimed, *"Those were the best pancakes in my whole life!"* (Ihsan, Grade 1).

A special shout-out goes to the parent volunteers who made this event possible!



Celebrate

30th Anniversary

Westmount Charter School is celebrating its 30th Anniversary! In 1996, Westmount Charter School was founded by the Action of Bright Children (Calgary) Society, under the name ABC Charter Public School. It opened for gifted children in grades 1-3, with 96 students, 7 teachers, an office assistant, and a principal, Ms. Jo-Anne Koch. In 2001, the name changed to Westmount Charter School.

Last month, Dr. Klassen shared the new Westmount Charter School logo! Each student was gifted with two stickers, one with the original logo and one with the new logo.

This milestone anniversary was celebrated during the recent drama performance, where the narrator and stagehands shared Westmount's history throughout the show. The school community also came together for a Stampede pancake breakfast and the Year-End School Council celebration. To commemorate the occasion, an aerial photo was taken featuring all students from both campuses.



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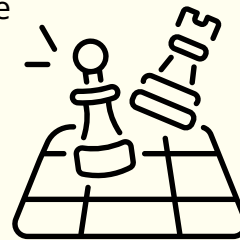
Grade 12 Graduation

Congratulations to the 2026 Westmount Graduates!
On Thursday, May 28, we celebrated the achievements of the 2026 Westmount graduates. Wishing each of them the very best for their future endeavors!



Calgary School Chess Tournament

Congratulations to Jaden (3LO) and Avir (2D) who competed in the Calgary School Chess Tournament Division 1, which included students from Kindergarten to Grade 3. With their combined points, Westmount Charter School won 2nd place as a team out of 15 school teams!



Year-End Celebration



On Friday, June 5, School Council hosted the annual Year-End Event at the Elementary campus for all WCS staff, students, and families. Together, we celebrated another successful school year and Westmount's 30th Anniversary. This was a wonderful way to mark this milestone and celebrate our amazing school community!



Celebrate

Intramurals

The Spring Intramural finals kicked off on Tuesday, May 26, where the Dominators and Champions battled it out, and the Dominators snagged the victory! On May 29th, the gym buzzed with excitement as teachers took on students in an exciting game, with both sides bursting with spirit.



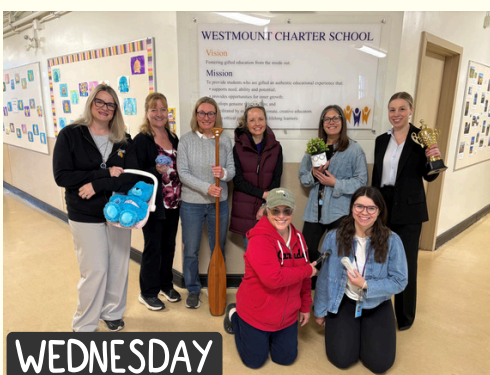
Secret Staff Spirit Week

During the first week of June, staff members took part in a fun Underground Spirit Week to foster community and school spirit.

School Spirit

The daily themes included:

- Monday: Monochromatic Monday
- Tuesday: Socks and Sandals
- Wednesday: Misplaced Prop
- Thursday: Secret Agent Day



Appreciation

Courtyard Games

With the generous support of the School Council, our courtyard was enhanced this month with newly painted games, including basketball keys, four-square, hopscotch, long jump, and mirror me.



Appreciation

Volunteer Tea



On Monday, June 8, we hosted a volunteer tea to express our sincere gratitude to our school volunteers and to celebrate their invaluable contributions to our school. These dedicated volunteers support Westmount by:

- attending field trips
- assisting with classroom activities
- helping to organize and cheer on participants during the Terry Fox Run and Sports Day
- aiding with the swimming field trips
- joining us on community walks
- contributing to our Wellness Summit
- sharing their talents in our drama productions

Their involvement enhances our students' educational experiences in countless ways.

A special thank you to Mrs. Nystevold, along with the Grade 3/4 Fine Arts Choir and the 1/2 LEAD Choir, for their wonderful performances. We would also like to recognize Ms. Allegro's Grade 1 class and the M/W Kindergarten classes for their fantastic contributions to this event.



Thank you

