



From the WISE Office



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Office Notes



Absences

Should your child be absent from school, **please let us know by 8:45 AM**. You can do this by emailing absences@thewise.ca, or by phone at 780-466-3312. If we haven't heard from you, we will call or email to ensure your child is well.



Parent Nights - Save the Dates!

As were shared during Parent Orientation, please make note of the following dates:

Class	Winter Term	Spring Term
Kinder A (Soligado)	October 21, 2026 Time: TBD	March 10, 2027 Time: TBD
Kinder B (Clover)	October 19, 2026 Time: TBD	March 15, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 1A	November 23, 2026 Time: 6:00-7:30 PM	April 19, 2027 Time: 6:00-7:30 PM
Class 1B	November 23, 2026 Time: 6:00-7:30 PM	April 19, 2027 Time: 6:00-7:30 PM
Class 2	November 16, 2026 Time: TBD	April 12, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 3	November 2, 2026 Time: TBD	March 16, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 4	January 25, 2027 Time: TBD	April 19, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 5	January 19, 2027 Time: TBD	April 13, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 6	January 12, 2027 Time: TBD	April 8, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 7	December 15, 2026 Time: TBD	May 4, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 8	November 4, 2026 Time: TBD	May 17, 2027 Time: TBD
Class 9	January 18, 2027 Time: TBD	April 26, 2027 Time: TBD

Important Dates:

September 1	First Day Grades
September 1	First Day Mon/Tues Kindergarten
September 3	First Day Thurs/Fri Kindergarten
September 7	Labour Day, no programming
September 8	First Day Mon/Tues Nursery
September 9	First Day Wed-Fri Nursery/Daycare
September 12	First Day Sunflowers
September 14	First Day Marigolds
September 15	Firday Day Daisies
September 17	Picture Day
September 30	Truth & Reconciliation Day, no programming
October 12	Thanksgiving, no programming
October 23	PD Day, no programming
October 24	Pumpkin Walk



Community Building

An Invitation from the Waldorf-Ottewell Community Garden

The gardens welcome your helpful hands in nourishing their growth through the current and upcoming seasons! We are looking for brave stewards to wrestle prickly thistles. There are also many other activities: watering, organizing, planting, pruning, mulching, harvesting, etc. There is much magic to be discovered and enjoyed! Please contact communitygarden@wese.ca for more information and to hear about current and upcoming garden events.



WISE Charter School Council

Invitation to School Council

Welcome to the 2026-27 school year! The WISE Charter School Council is an opportunity for parents and guardians to connect with our school community, support school-wide events and fundraising initiatives, and help enrich the experience of WISE students and families.

All parents and guardians of WISE Charter School students are automatically members of the School Council, and are welcome to attend meetings. Meetings are held at 7:00 pm, with the option to attend in person at the school or online. An email will be sent prior to each session with meeting details and the Zoom link, so be sure to keep an eye out!

Our 2026–27 School Council meetings will be held on:

- Wednesday, October 7, 2026 (AGM)
- Wednesday, November 4, 2026
- Wednesday, January 6, 2027
- Wednesday, March 3, 2027
- Wednesday, May 5, 2027
- Wednesday, June 2, 2027

Participating in the School Council is a great way to connect with WISE families, stay involved in our school community, and have a voice in your child's school experience. Whether you attend one meeting or join us throughout the year, we'd love to see you there!

Message from the Principal

The onset of a new school year offers a unique opportunity to take stock of the changes in one's life and the seasons. As we begin to incorporate structure and routine back into our daily life, the earth begins to draw in its life forces during its inhalation, marking the transition from summer to fall. This time of year can often be plagued by a lack of consideration or carelessness. As we strive to return to greater consciousness, having tact and courteousness can go a long way amidst the lifestyle shift from one season to another, whereby looseness becomes rigidity and freedom becomes control.

For those who were unable to join the Parent Orientation on August 25th, please know it was a joyous gathering outside as we ushered in the school year on a beautiful night with clear skies and a soft breeze. Excitement was in the air as we announced each faculty member, including our newest additions in Grade 1A, 3, 5, and French 6-9.

Mary Conrod



Hazel Nuts

There are nuts on the hazel-tree, pointed and brown,
And the pixies are waiting until they fall down!

Now what are they waiting for? Pixies don't feast
On hard hazel nuts they don't like in the least!

Oh, they're waiting until the nuts fall from the bough,
Then up they fly - see them, they're fluttering up now!

And each little pixie pulls off the green case
That holds the brown hazel nut neatly in place.

They turn them the other way up - and behold,
They are hats, snugly fitting, to keep out the cold!

The hazel-tree's generous - it grows nuts for you,
And hats for the pixies in winter-time, too!

-Enid Blyton

Newsletter Submissions

We encourage your comments, suggestions, and
submissions to newsletter@thewise.ca.

The deadline is the fifteenth of the month. Anything
after the deadline will be considered for the
following month. All submissions are subject to editing
and approval.

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