

## Westerman Elementary

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*\*Westerman Elementary is located on the shared traditional territories of the Katzie, Semiahmoo, and other Coast Salish Peoples.*

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### EARLY DISMISSAL AND HOME/SCHOOL COMMUNICATION:

#### Early Dismissal

On **Thursday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>**, students will be dismissed at **1:30 pm** and we kindly ask that parents arrange for their child(ren) to be picked up from school at that time. Thank you for your help with this!

#### Student/Parent/Teacher Conferencing

We would like to let you know that you are always welcome and encouraged to contact your child's teacher at any time of the year to arrange an appointment to discuss your child's progress in school. We are also offering an *additional* opportunity to connect with your child's teacher on the afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 21 (the early dismissal day). Please contact our office (604-572-4054) before Oct. 21st if you would like to arrange an appointment (15 minutes each) with your child's teacher that afternoon. **Please note that, unless your child's teacher informs you otherwise, most parent/teacher interviews will be conducted over the phone.** When you call, please provide our secretaries with the following information:

- Your name and the first and last name of your child(ren)
- The name of your child(ren)'s teacher(s)
- The phone number you would like the teacher to use to call you on Oct. 21

Please note that teachers *may* be using their own cell phone to call you and the caller ID will likely be private.

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**TERRY FOX RUN UPDATE** Westerman students enthusiastically participated in our annual Terry Fox Run on Friday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, and they managed to raise \$1005.00 in support of cancer research! Thank you so much, parents and students, for your kindness and generosity! All proceeds will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES** We are so fortunate to have staff who are able to volunteer their time to provide extracurricular activities to our students. Recently, the boys' and girls' soccer teams were able to participate in games for the first time in almost two years. Both teams performed well and demonstrated great sportsmanship. Thank you, Ms. Dhaliwal and Ms. Parsons for your support of our soccer teams!

In addition to soccer, Ms. Base and Mr. Zacharias met with a very large number of grade 6 and 7 students who were interested in Student Leadership. We look forward to supporting our student leaders, as they work together to help make Westerman as great a school as it can possibly be!

**HALLOWEEN** Students are welcome to wear respectful, fun, Halloween costumes, suitable to an elementary school environment, on Friday, Oct. 29. For safety reasons, replica weapons, etc. are not permitted at school.

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### Upcoming Events

**Thurs., Oct. 21 (1:30)**

Early Dismissal-Conferencing

**Fri., Oct. 22**

Non-Instructional Day  
(No classes for students)

**Thurs., Nov. 11**

Remembrance Day  
(All schools closed)

**Fri., Nov. 12**

Non-instructional Day  
(No classes for students)

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### PAC Meeting

Our Parent Advisory Committee Executive will be meeting next week for the first time this year. The Executive will be scheduling the dates for upcoming PAC meetings at that time. More information will be shared in an upcoming newsletter.