

2022-2023 Important Dates

Sept 6	First day for students
Sept 23	Celtic & Nova Schools PD - no classes for students
Sept 26	Chignecto and Cobequid Schools PD - no classes for students
Oct 3-14	NS Assessment: Reading, Writing and Mathematics in Grade 6
Oct 28	PD Day - No classes for students
Nov 10	Assessment & Evaluation Day - no classes for students (Elementary only)
Nov 21-14	Report Cards Distributed
Nov 25	PD and Parent-teacher meetings - no classes for students
Dec 21- Jan 2	Holiday Break - Classes resume Jan 4
Mar 10	Assessment & Evaluation - no classes for students (Elementary only)
Mar 13-17	Spring Break
Mar 27-30	Report cards distributed
Mar 31	PD & Parent teacher meetings - no classes for students (Elementary only)
May 15-26	NS Assessment: Literacy and Mathematics in Grade 3
May 23-Jun 2	NS Assessment: Reading, Writing and Mathematics in Grade 8
Jun 29	Assessment & Evaluation - no classes for students
Jun 30	Report cards distributed

A complete list of WRC's 2022-2023 Calendar of Events is available online. Other events will be posted on WRC'S webpage and in newsletters. Notices will be posted on the webpage as well as the WRC'S Home and School Facebook page.

Principal's Message

Welcome to Winding River Consolidated school. Our mission at WRC is to improve student learning and achievement in a safe, inclusive, and positive school environment. WRCS is committed to a socially just learning environment with high expectations for student achievement and success. Clear communication is vital for parents, students, and the school community to work together for academic success for all WRC students. With this in mind please keep a copy of our communication plan along with the communication plans sent home by individual teachers. This document provides you an overview of how we will stay in contact with you, and you with us. Please feel free to call, write or drop by anytime if you have a concern.

Administrative Staff:

Clint Oakley- Principal
Christie Glenn- Vice Principal
Kelly Dickie- Administrative Assistant

School Advisory Council

WRC's School Advisory Council will meet 3-5 times per year. Date and time will be available on the school website . Agenda items will be presented to administration and members of council prior to the meeting. The public is welcome to attend.



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2022-2023 Communication Plan

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 7:55-2:05

**RESPECT, KINDNESS,
 RESPONSIBILITY and HONESTY**

Assessment and Evaluation

Teachers plan, assess and evaluate student learning against Department of Education and Early Childhood Development expected learning outcomes. Expected learning outcomes are statements describing what students are to know, show and do in each subject/course.

Teachers maintain regular communication with students and parents regarding students' learning, progress and well-being.

Parental/Guardian Concerns

If you have questions regarding student progress (including a review of student assessment results) and /or well-being, we have established guidelines for having your questions addressed at the school level. The following is a list of recommended steps for you to follow to ensure your child's needs are met:

1. Talk to your child.
2. Contact your child's teacher.
3. Contact the school vice-principal or principal.
4. If the concern cannot be adequately addressed in steps 1 to 3, the school may arrange a meeting with the parent, teacher(s) and administration.

A process has been put in place to ensure parents/ guardians receive prompt response to questions or concerns that cannot be resolved at the school level. If you feel an issue has not been resolved, the [CCRCE Parental Concern Referral Form](#) is available through the main office or on the [Parent Concern Process page](#) of the CCRCE website.

School Procedures

Communication with Students/Families

School wide communication is shared through our school website, monthly newsletters, parent email, social media sites, student handbook.

Periodically WRC will contact parents with key pieces of information via the School Messenger System. This will phone, text or email parents, depending on their preference selected on the student registration form.

Individual student information is shared through student agenda's, emails, phone calls, meetings, and the PS Student-Parent Portal.

Expectations for Student Success at School

Students are responsible for participating in their learning. Students are encouraged to discuss with their teacher what they have learned and what they have yet to learn. Discussion may also include due dates, negotiate extensions and re-submitting work. The process for incomplete assessments will follow the [EECD Process for Classroom Assessment Due Dates and Extensions](#).

WRCs will work with all students and parents to make every effort to collect students' work for reporting and evaluation. The ongoing process of collecting student evidence about student learning is a collaborative effort.

Attendance and Reporting a Student Absence

Regular attendance is necessary for students to have success in school. As part of the Education Act, it is the responsibility of both students and parents to ensure that students attend school regularly. Attendance is closely monitored and parents will be contacted if we have concerns with a student's attendance. Steps will then be

put in place to address the concerns. We thank you for your cooperation in ensuring your child attends school daily.

We want to see our students succeed and we know that student success is linked to regular attendance in school. WRCs will inform parents of student absence through our safe student arrival program. Our admin assistant, Kelly Dickie will call parents of absent students. In the coming weeks an automated safe arrival system will be rolled out.

NS EECD Homework Policy.

The purpose of homework is to practice and reinforce what has been taught in school. Students are encouraged to complete homework as assigned. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to the classroom teacher.

School Cancellation and Early Dismissal

Please continue to follow the CCRCE website for any cancellations. Early dismissal will be communicated through our ALERT system and all parents will be contacted if there is a sudden closure.

School Wide Support for Students

Information about the process of identification, assessment, referral and program planning for students through the Student Planning Team.

All teaching staff will work together to provide the necessary support for students by providing opportunities for increased student success. At WRC, we will provide students with the following supports:

- Social Emotional Learning Supports (Guidance/Resource in whole class, small groups and individual settings)
- Learning support
- Schools Plus
- Public Health Nurse
- Early Literacy Support and Reading Recovery
- Speech language pathologist