



# Wye School News



Monday, October 7, 2019

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## This Week At Wye:

**READ IN WEEK: October 7 - 11 - Celebrate with Stories**

### **Monday, October 7, Day 5:**

- Running Club Practice 7:45 a.m.
- Ukulele Ensemble Practice at noon

### **Tuesday, October 8, Day 1:**

- Alberta Opera Presentation 9:30 a.m.

### **Wednesday, October 9, Day 2:**

- Running Club Practice 7:45 a.m.

### **Thursday, October 10, Day 3:**

### **Friday, October 11:**

- Professional Development Day - No School

### **Monday, October 14:**

- Thanksgiving Holiday - No School

### **Tuesday, October 15, Day 4:**

- Ukulele Ensemble Practice at noon
- Book Fair

## **Student Citizenship and Leadership Initiatives:**

- Announcements
- WE ACT
- READ - IN - Week
- Office Helpers
- Lunch Supervision
- Recycling
- Running Club
- Greeters
- Alberta Opera Presentation Volunteers

## **Grade 6 Volleyball Team:**

Grade 6 students that expressed interest in joining our Volleyball Team were given permission forms on October 3rd. Forms are due back on Thursday, October 10th. Our first practice will be after school on October 15th 3:30-4:30pm. Practices will be every Tuesday after school and on Thursdays during noon hour lunch recess. The Volleyball tournament will be on either Friday, November 29 or Saturday, December 1st at Fultonvale Elementary. The tournament date and times will be announced at a later date.

## **Music Department:**

The Ukulele Ensemble is in the midst of getting performance ready for the **CBC 2019 Music Classroom Challenge**, a national competition sponsored by CBC. We will be doing our final video recording of our performance on Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. It is imperative that group members attend all rehearsals from now until then as every week we will be working on a different section of the piece. Due to Thanksgiving Monday, our rehearsal for that week will be moved to Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Ukulele Ensemble Rehearsals**

1. Monday October 7<sup>th</sup>
2. Tuesday October 15

### **Junior Ukulele Rehearsals**

3. No ukulele rehearsal next week as it is PD on Friday
4. Friday October 18

Hi there, Thanks to Mr.King who was first to arrive each week and set up the flag and last to leave. Here is what I posted to our Wye School parent Facebook page tonight:

## **Running Club:**

Wye school runners completed the 3 part Cross Country series last Thursday. We had 25 runners in the 1st and 3rd race and believe it or not 27 runners in the 2nd race in the cool and rainy night (from our 37 member club). Runners made parents and coaches proud. The kids cheered on their teammates, gave words of encouragement to each other, overcame adversity with falls, weather, longer distances than last year, and rising above their disappointment if they didn't finish quite where they hoped.

## **Running Club Update:**

Congratulations to all the running club members who participated in the Sherwood Park Cross Country Series this fall season. They all did a terrific job, showed strong leadership and represented Wye School very well. The last race of the cross-country season is the Autumn Cross Country Classic at Hawrelak Park on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Parents are required to get their children to and from the race. Please return the permission form to Mr. King by October 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **READ-IN WEEK:**

Read In Week 2019 returns, marking its 30th anniversary, on October 7-11. The theme this year is Celebrate with Stories. Through various activities, students will spend the week learning how stories have the power to teach lessons, broaden perspectives and foster empathy. Some of the activities planned for Read In Week include:

- Community Guest Readers
- Readers Workshop Celebrations
- Buddy Reading across classrooms
- Sleeping Beauty Presentation - Alberta Opera - Tuesday
- Wear It Wednesday - Students wear a T-Shirt we can read

Read In Week is a Division-wide initiative held annually to encourage a lifelong love of reading and to enhance literacy awareness among students, staff, parents and community members. We invite all our families to participate in Read In Week with us by reading yourself, with your child or with someone in the community.

## **Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences**

Conferences are Wednesday, October 16 and Thursday October 17 both nights 4:30 to 7:30 pm. Parents will be able to book online starting Thursday, October 10 and we will close bookings Tuesday, October 15 to allow teachers time to plan their evenings. Login at [www.schoolinterviews.ca](http://www.schoolinterviews.ca) and use code **a86sy** to reserve a 10 minute time slot. Please limit your booking to 1 x ten minute spot per teacher. Please stick to the time allotted. Thank you and make sure you plan time to visit our book fair.

## **Book Fair:**

We are excited to announce we will be holding a Scholastic Book Fair during Parent-Teacher- Student Interviews again this year. We look forward to seeing you.

## **First Nations, Metis and Inuit:**

On Monday, September 30th Wye School recognized those children who survived Residential Schools, and those children who did not. Staff and students were encouraged to wear orange on this day to honor these children.

Also last week, we had an opportunity to explore the Giant Indigenous Map at our school. The students were very excited to see a map that almost took up the whole gym! Students utilized this map to learn more about Residential School, Treaties and Tribe locations across Canada. Wonderful experience for all of our Wye students and staff!

This week, Elder Wilson will be visiting our school during the afternoon on Wednesday, October 9th. He will be working with students and visiting some classes. Grade six students will also be participating in an Indigenous Smudge on this day.

**This is a weekly snapshot of what is taking place at Wye this week. For more details and other information please visit the Wye School website ([wyeschool.ca](http://wyeschool.ca)).**