



# Westmount Weekly

Apr. 20 - Apr. 24, 2026



Dear Westmount Families,

It is hard to believe that we are in the last full week of April already! Westmount is buzzing with activities and sustainability initiatives. Our students are working hard, and we truly appreciate your ongoing partnership in making Westmount such a vibrant place to learn!

Please take a moment to review the important updates and reminders below.

## **Weather Readiness & Reminders:**

Spring weather in Ontario can be very unpredictable! Please ensure your child comes dressed appropriately for the day's conditions:

- **Sunny Days:** Please send your child with sunscreen applied, a hat, and a reusable water bottle.
- **Rainy Days:** Please equip your child with rainboots, a raincoat, or an umbrella.
- **Important:** *Everything should be labeled with your child's name.* We also still require all students to have **both indoor and outdoor shoes** at school.

## **Wolverine Wednesdays!**

A quick reminder that Wolverine Wednesdays are officially underway! Show off your school spirit by wearing your Westmount gear or our school colours every Wednesday.

## **Spring Fire Drills**

Safety is our top priority. Schools are required to conduct three fire drill practices during the spring season. Westmount students will be participating in these three routine drills beginning this week.

## **Krispy Kreme Fundraiser Update**

A huge thank you to all the families who ordered Krispy Kreme donuts to support our Grade 5 graduates! As a reminder, the delicious treats will be going home with students on **Friday, April 24, 2026.**

## **Supplies Needed: Girl's Group Initiative**

Our Girl's Group is generously making handmade bracelets and keychains to sell for

the Graduation Fund. To help them get started, we are looking for donations of:

- Beads
- Bracelet-making supplies/string
- Keychain hardware
- **Drop-off:** Please bring any donations to the **Main Office**.

### **Jump Rope for Heart!**

Our school is so proud to participate in Heart & Stroke's Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser, running from April 13th through June 4th. Students will be learning EASY healthy habits along the way!

- **Event Day:** Thursday, May 21, 2026
- **How to Help:** Help us reach our fundraising goal by donating, or register to create your own child's fundraising page to share with family and friends. Visit our school's **donation page** [here](#)

### **A Request from our Dirt Squad!**

Did you know that our hardworking composting worms need a balanced diet to stay healthy? Our "vermiculture" bins thrive on a specific ratio: one part nitrogen-rich "greens" (food scraps) to two parts carbon-rich "browns" (paper products).

Thanks to all the parents who are sending carbon-rich materials! Please continue to send in or drop off the following items in the collection box kept in the foyer:

- **Used newsprint paper and magazines**
- **Clean cardboard egg cartons**
- **Toilet paper rolls and paper towel rolls**

Your contributions help our students learn about life cycles and sustainability firsthand. Dirt Squad thanks you for your continued support! *(For more details on our vermicomposting program, please check out the attached flyer).*

Thank you for your continued support and for being such an integral part of the Westmount community. Have a wonderful week ahead!

### **Upcoming School Dance - April 27**

Get ready to groove! We will be hosting a school dance on **Monday, April 27** for all students. Our School Council is asking for a small contribution of **\$2 per student**. All funds raised will go directly toward supporting the graduation ceremony for our Grade 5 students. Please log in to the [www.schoolcashionline.com](http://www.schoolcashionline.com) to contribute.

### **Lunchbox Update: New Friday Vendor**

This week onwards, Friday will be **BarBurrito** (Halal Certified) Day at Westmount. The last day for Hero Burger was last Friday. If you pre-ordered Hero Burger for April 24 or later, a credit has automatically been issued to your Lunchbox account, which can be used toward BarBurrito or Osmow's. For a refund, please contact

support@lunchboxorders.com. Log in via [www.schoolcashionline.com](http://www.schoolcashionline.com) by Sunday noon to place your orders for the week!

## **Westmount Family Literacy & Mathematics Game Night!**

The Westmount Council, in consultation with teachers, is thrilled to organize a Family Literacy and Math Game Night! This is a fantastic opportunity to engage in learning activities through the power of play.

- **When:** Tuesday, May 5, 2026
- **Time:** 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM
- **Where:** Westmount Junior School Gymnasium and Library
- **The Perks:** SNACKS will be provided, and there are exciting PRIZES to be won!
- **Registration:** Space is limited, so please secure your spot early. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

Warmly,

**Shikha Nalin**, Principal, Westmount Junior School

### **This week at a Glance**

Date	Activity
<b>Monday, Apr. 20</b> <b>Day 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Osmow's Day</li> <li>● Send recyclables (egg carton, toilet paper rolls, newsprint to school) to school</li> <li>● <b>Mindful Monday - enjoy mindful activities in the sun</b></li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday, Apr. 21</b> <b>Day 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <a href="http://www.schoolcashionline.com">www.schoolcashionline.com</a> - login to order <b>Lunchbox and Dance</b></li> <li>● Walk/Bike/Skip/Scooter/carpool/take a school bus to school</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday, Apr. 22</b> <b>Day 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Wolverine Wednesdays</b> - wear Westmount gear/colours</li> <li>● Bring a litterless lunch and wear blue or green day</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday, Apr. 23</b> <b>Day 4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Thankful Thursday - donate to school initiatives</li> <li>● Graduation Photos</li> <li>● Class Photos</li> <li>● Bring a reusable water bottle to school</li> </ul>
<b>Friday, Apr. 24</b> <b>Day 5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● BarBurrito Day</li> <li>● Krispy Kreme Donuts go home - Happy Weekend!</li> <li>● Help clean our yard and enjoy the yard</li> </ul>

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### **TDSB Updates:**

#### **EQAO Math Resources on TDSB Website**

We are excited to introduce the [EQAO Math Resources Site](#) on the TDSB public website. You will find weekly questions for students in grades 3, 6 and 9, the EQAO glossaries linked for families, parental resource support from the [TDSB Mathematics for Families & Caregivers page](#) and other resources.

[Bookmark this page](#) and check it every week if you have a child in Grade 3, 6, or 9.

#### Grade 3 Math Resources

1. [EQAO Weekly Practice Questions Grade 3](#)
2. [Google Form for Answers](#) - Students can submit their answers here for the weekly questions
3. [EQAO Grade 3 Glossary](#) - Math Vocabulary which will help students answer questions
4. Parent/Caregiver and Student Practice Package Grade 3 - Families can download this practice package
5. [EQAO Questions and Supports on the TDSB website](#)
6. Families can access the archived EQAO questions to share with families in [Grade 3](#).

#### **Sign up for EQAO Math Family Night here:**

[https://eqao.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_6wqgo4KfSFuj2W-uy4GLTg](https://eqao.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6wqgo4KfSFuj2W-uy4GLTg)

#### **TDSB Math Supports for everyone**

[TDSB Mathematics for Families & Caregivers page](#)

Free Math Help Available at [TVO Mathify](#), a free online tutoring service for grades 4 to 12

#### **Making Math Make Sense for Families Raising Black Children - April 29 Webinar Wednesday**

Are you looking for ways to support your child's math learning at home? Join us for an engaging virtual session designed specifically for Black families and families raising Black children in Grades K-8.

This [123's of Numeracy session](#) will help demystify math by breaking down key concepts from the Ontario Mathematics Curriculum and providing practical strategies to support Black students in culturally responsive ways.

- April 29 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (6:30 to 7:25 for K-3, 7:35 to 8:30 for 4-8.)
- [Register for the Microsoft Teams webinar here](#)

### **Italian Heritage Month (June 2026) - Student Poster Contest**

The TDSB recognizes Italian Heritage Month each June. This year's theme is *Insieme in Piazza - Together in the Town Square*. The theme beautifully captures the heart of Italian identity—people coming together in a shared space to connect, celebrate, and simply be with one another.


We invite all TDSB students in your schools and classrooms to participate in the Italian Heritage Month Poster Contest! We look forward to receiving submissions before the deadline on **May 20 at 3 p.m.**


[Read the full message for complete details](#). Questions? Contact [Simona Emiliani](#) and [Katherine Collier](#).


### **Join Us for a Special Early Years Africentric Education Family Event!**

The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement in collaboration with Early Years Department welcomes Black families and families raising Black children to an Early Years Africentric Programming Event. This event features a Caregiver Keynote and Workshop along with interactive Africentric learning experiences and Reggaecise for Black children (ages 3-7).

Kindly complete the following form to secure your spot and bring your children (ages 3-7) with you!

 **Event Timing:** 10:00AM - 12:00PM

 **Event Address:** Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement, Winston Churchill Collegiate Institute (2239 Lawrence Ave E, Scarborough, ON M1P 2P7)

 Refreshments for registered families will be available.

Register [here](#).

## Special Education and Inclusion Updates for Families - April 2026 Newsletter & Engagement Sessions

<p><b>Special Education and Inclusion Newsletter – April 2026 Edition</b></p> <p>The <a href="#">April 2026 edition</a> of the Special Education and Inclusion Newsletter for Parents/Caregivers is now available on the <a href="#">Special Education and Inclusion site!</a> This monthly newsletter includes important updates, tips, and resources to support students with disabilities and special education needs.</p>	<p><b>Special Education &amp; Inclusion Parent Engagement Sessions – April 2026</b></p> <p>Special Education and Inclusion is pleased to offer a number of sessions for parents/caregivers in April. Please find additional information <a href="#">in this flyer</a>. All parent engagement sessions for the 2025-26 school year <a href="#">can be found here</a>.</p>
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Please join us for our upcoming April parent engagement session focusing on:

### **Building Independence in the Home and Community with Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy Services**

This session will focus on building essential life skills—including self-care, time management, community navigation, and financial literacy—through practical activities and strategies. Designed to support children with disabilities or learning delays, the session also offers valuable tools for all children.

Please sign up for either session:

[Tuesday, April 14th at 10:00am - 11:00am](#)

[Wednesday, April 15th at 6:30pm - 7:30pm](#)

### **Social Media & Safety: A Parent's Roadmap - April 23**

Parents and caregivers are invited to this evening event to better understand the digital world young people are navigating every day. We will talk openly about online exploitation, sextortion and AI, and harmful digital behaviours, while keeping the focus on practical, realistic ways to support children's safety and well-being online. This session is about building confidence, not fear. You will leave with clear strategies, conversation starters, and tools to help your child make safer choices, set healthy boundaries, and know when and how to ask for help.

- April 23 from 6 to 8 p.m.
- Weston CI (100 Pine St, Toronto, ON)
- [Register here through the online form](#)

Food will be served, childcare is available, and community partners will be present. We hope you will join us for an evening of learning, connection, and shared care.

Questions? Contact [mentalhealthandwellbeing@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:mentalhealthandwellbeing@tdsb.on.ca).

### **Community Spotlight: Richview Library**

Our partners at **Richview Library** have a full slate of programming available this month for children aged **0 – 12 years**. To view the full **April Calendar** and the list of upcoming special events, please visit their website: [**Link to Richview Library April Events**]