

# Willowdale Middle School



## Happy Easter and Passover!

Willowdale Middle School will be closed on **Friday, April 3**, and **Monday, April 6, 2026**. We look forward to welcoming our students back to school on Tuesday, April 7, 2026.



We would like to wish our families celebrating Easter this weekend a wonderful time with family and friends.



Passover begins April 2 at sundown and ends at nightfall on April 9, 2026. We wish all our students, staff and families observing Passover this week, a Happy Passover. We hope you enjoy quality time with loved ones.

## Grade 8 Photo Graduation Day

SMILE! 😊

Grade 8 students will have their graduation photo day on this coming **Tuesday, April 7, 2026**. There will be no photo re-take day.



## Indoor Shoes

**Spring is here!** This means that our field is very muddy, as the ground continues to melt. It is essential that all students bring indoor shoes to wear while inside the school. We thank you for your assistance with this.



## U of T Science Fair

On February 20, WMS hosted our own Grade 8 Science Fair. We had over 100 projects from 8 different categories and all classes walked through our lower hallway to see the displays. It was a great day for science. Winners from our WMS Science Fair represented us at the city-wide University of Toronto Science Fair this past weekend. Congratulations to all our WMS participants:

Shalini P, Grayson D, Matty B, Neel S, Kayley L, Hyeonjin P, Star F, Narin K, Adam B, Nolan S, Summer E, and Sophie R.



Special mention to Neel S, who received a silver medal. Congratulations!

Thank you to all our Willowdale participants for representing our school so positively. We are very proud of you! A special thank you to Mr. Harwood for overseeing this wonderful opportunity!

## Pizza Day Lunch - New Block of Dates

School Council is excited to offer our NEW block of dates for the upcoming Pizza Lunches.

This fundraiser is fun for the students participating but also raises funds to help enhance the students' learning opportunities at WMS.



The dates for our Pizza Lunches for the rest of the year are as follows:

April 14, 29  
May 14, 25  
June 9, 18

For only \$10 a lunch, students will be given 2 slices of pizza (cheese or pepperoni), a bag of chips and a juice box. Parents/Guardians must purchase all upcoming six lunches, for a total of \$60. There is also an option for Gluten Free pizza (\$12 per lunch, for a total of \$72).

You may start purchasing your pizza lunches now on [School Cash Online](#).

The deadline to purchase for this new block of Pizza Day lunches is **April 6, 2026**.

If you have any questions, or you would like to volunteer on our pizza lunch days, please contact our School Council at [SC.WillowdaleMiddleSchool@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:SC.WillowdaleMiddleSchool@tdsb.on.ca).

Thank you to all families that support this initiative.

## Gr. 8 ESL Students Level Up Leadership Skills



On March 31, our Grade 8 ESL students participated in an inspiring and interactive workshop focused on a vital life skill: How to be a Great Leader.

The session was thoughtfully organized by our school's Settlement Worker, Svetlana Kravchenko, and delivered by guest speakers from the YMCA. The presentation was designed specifically to help our students find their voices and build confidence as they prepare for the transition to high school.

## WMS Speech Competitions

Willowdale will be hosting our in-school speech competitions on Wednesday, April 22.

Grade 6	9:15AM
Grade 7	10:20AM
Grade 8	12:45PM

After all the speeches have been presented, a winner from each grade will be selected to represent Willowdale at the "TDSB Speech Arts Festival". The "TDSB Speech Arts Festival" will take place on April 29 for Grade 6 & 7 students, and April 30 for Grade 8 students at Don Valley Middle School. Good luck to all our students participating. We look forward to hearing your speeches!

## WMS Track and Field Day



Willowdale Middle School is excited to host our annual Track and Field Day on **April 23 or April 24**, weather permitting. This highly anticipated event provides students with the opportunity to showcase their athletic abilities, demonstrate sportsmanship, and enjoy a day of friendly competition with their peers.

In addition to being a fun and active day for all participants, Track and Field Day will also serve as an important **tryout opportunity** for our school's **Track and Field team**. Students will be encouraged to give their best effort in each event, as performances will help inform team selection for upcoming competitions.

We look forward to a great day of energy, enthusiasm, and school spirit!

## WMS Sports Teams Practice Schedule

Please see our "Sports Practice Calendar" to help keep students, parents, and guardians up-to-date with upcoming practices. Please check the calendar regularly for schedules, updates, and any changes. [CLICK HERE!](#)



## Upcoming Parent Council Meetings

Our next Parent Council meetings will be taking place on **April 21, and June 1, 2026** beginning at 6:00PM in our school library.

We hope to see you at our next meeting in April!



## Lunch Box Program

A reminder that Parents/Guardians may purchase their child's lunch through this program by ordering on-line. Orders must be in by Sunday at noon for the upcoming week.

You can choose to participate for all five days (Monday to Friday), or you may choose any day/days of your choice. Please [click here](#) for information on how to order!

The restaurants are as follows:

Monday	Mr. Souvlaki
Tuesday	Umami Sushi
Wednesday	bar Burrito
Thursday	Mr. Sub
Friday	Swiss Chalet

## Important Upcoming Dates

SAVE THE DATE	
Tuesday, April 3	Good Friday (No School)
Monday, April 6	Easter Monday (No School)
Tuesday, April 7	Gr. 8 Graduation Photo Day
	Superintendent of Education visits WMS
Wednesday, April 8	Therapy Dogs visit Gr. 7's
Tuesday, April 14	Pizza Day Lunch
	6I Trip to Forest Valley Outdoor Education Centre

	Fire Drill
Thursday, April 16	7F, 7M, 8F, 8M Trip to Molière Théâtre
Monday, April 20	Fire Drill
Tuesday, April 21	School Council Meeting at 6:00PM in the Library
Wednesday, April 22	Speech Competition at WMS (all grades)
Thursday, April 23 or Friday April 24	WMS Track and Field Day
Monday, April 27	Fire Drill
Wednesday, April 29	Pizza Day Lunch
April 30 to May 1	Rugby Workshops
Wednesday, May 6	Gr. 7 Vaccination Clinic (Toronto Public Health)
Friday, May 8	French Classes on Trip to Berkeley- Théâtre Français
Monday, May 11	Track & Field Area Qualifier at Esther Shiner
Wednesday, May 13	Forest of Reading Conference
Thursday, May 14	Pizza Day Lunch
Friday, May 15	Gr. 8 Visit to Northview S.S.
Monday, May 18	Victoria Day (No School)
May 20 & 21	TPH Gr. 7 Dental Screening Clinic
Monday, May 25	Pizza Day Lunch
Monday, June 1	School Council Meeting at 6:00PM in Library
June 1 to 9	Gr. 6 EQAO Writing
Tuesday, June 2	Track & Field Conference Finals at Esther Shiner
Wednesday, June 3	CODA Music Concert at 6:30PM
Friday, June 5	P.A. Day (No school for students)
Tuesday, June 9	Pizza Day Lunch
	City Championship for Track & Field at Birchmount
June 10 to 12	Gr. 8 Trip to Ottawa
June 11 & 12	Gr. 6 Trips to Aga Khan
Thursday, June 18	Pizza Day Lunch
Monday, June 22	Gr. 8 Graduation Ceremony and Celebration
Wednesday, June 24	Pizza Day Lunch
	Report Cards are sent home electronically
Thursday, June 25	Last Day of School for Students
Friday, June 26	P.A. Day (No School for students)

If your child is going to be away or late, please call the **Safe Arrival Program** (School Messenger) at

**1-833-250-2290**

**or use the APP**



SchoolMessenger  
Education

If you are signing your child out during the school day, you are required to come into the office to sign your child out.

We acknowledge that Willowdale MS is hosted on the lands of the Mississaugas of the Anishinaabe, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Wendat. We also recognise the enduring presence of all First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples.