

Willowdale Middle School



P.A. Day - Friday June 5, 2026

A reminder that tomorrow, **Friday, June 5th** is a P.A. Day, therefore, there will be no school for students. Elementary teachers will focus on assessment and reporting duties. This provides an opportunity to evaluate progress to date, finalize report cards, and plan upcoming lessons based on current student needs. We will see our students back on Monday, June 8th.



Gr. 8 Grad Trip to Ottawa

We are excited that our Grade 8 Graduation Trip to Ottawa is coming up next week from June 10-12! We are all looking forward to an amazing few days of learning, sightseeing, and making lasting memories with their peers. There will be a mandatory student assembly on Monday to review important trip information, expectations, schedules, and safety reminders

before departure.

Please find the **packing list** attached with this newsletter to help students prepare for the trip. [CLICK HERE](#).

Our treat sales throughout the year have raised enough money for our students going on the trip to receive \$15. This money will be distributed on the busses on the day of departure. Students may use this money to purchase their lunch on one of their days in Ottawa.

If you have any questions, please contact Lauren at Lauren.ziebell@tdsb.on.ca.

Snack Sale

We will be having a snack sale on Monday at lunch. A variety of snacks and treats will be available for students to purchase.



All money raised will help support and subsidize year-end initiatives and activities for our students. Thank you for your continued support!

CASH ONLY!

Gr. 8 Graduation Information

GRADUATION CEREMONY (Monday, June 22, 2026)

Dress Rehearsal - MANDATORY ATTENDANCE (Earl Haig Secondary School- Auditorium)

- Graduates are asked to please meet in the GYM at Willowdale MS by 8:55AM. Attendance will be taken, and students will walk together with staff to Earl Haig Secondary School for rehearsal
- Graduates and staff will rehearse all morning
- Once rehearsal is finished, if parents give consent, students will be dismissed from Earl Haig SS. (If parents do not give consent, students will travel back to Willowdale MS with the staff)
- Please complete this [Consent Form](#) to dismiss students from Earl Haig SS

Graduation Ceremony (Earl Haig Secondary School - Auditorium)

- Graduates are expected to arrive to Earl Haig SS by 3:30PM (Staff will be there to greet them)
- The address to Earl Haig SS is **100 Princess Avenue, North York**
- Doors to the Auditorium will be open for parents/guardians beginning at 3:40PM - Ceremony will begin promptly at 4:00PM
- There is a limit of 2 guests per graduate - Tickets will be distributed to our graduates closer to the graduation day. Please bring the ticket with you for entry (**One ticket entitles entry for 2 guests**)
- Seats are not numbered; seat locations are on a first come, first served basis
- The ceremony is expected to be about an hour and a half long

Graduation Reception (Novotel Toronto North York Hotel)

- Parents and caregivers are asked to drop off their child at Novotel Toronto North York Hotel by 6:30PM (transportation will NOT be provided by the school)
- The address to Novotel Toronto North York Hotel is **3 Park Home Avenue, North York**
- The reception is only for students and staff
- Students will be provided with dinner (buffet style) with a variety of options
- There will be a DJ providing music throughout the event
- Parents/Caregivers are asked to please pick up their child between 9:30 to 10:00PM
- At dismissal time, students and parents are asked to check out with the staff members before they leave
- If parents/caregivers are giving permission for other parents to pick up their child, we will need this in writing. Please send an e-mail prior to June 22 to your child's teacher.
- Tickets for the dinner and dance are now on sale. Tickets cost \$60, which includes the dinner and DJ at the Novotel Hotel. Please purchase your child's ticket on [School Cash Online](#)
- **The deadline to buy tickets is June 15, 2026.**

CODA Music Concert

Last night's Music Concert was a wonderful celebration of the talent, dedication, and hard work of our student musicians. Our band and choir students delivered outstanding performances, showcasing the skills they have developed throughout the year and filling the evening with beautiful music. We extend our sincere thanks to our music teachers, Ms. Klunowski and Mr. Jones, for their commitment, guidance, and countless hours of preparation that made the concert such a success. We would also like to thank our families and community members for attending and supporting our students. Your encouragement and enthusiasm help make these experiences so meaningful, and we are incredibly proud of all our performers.



2025/26 Willowdale Yearbook: Purchase & Distribution

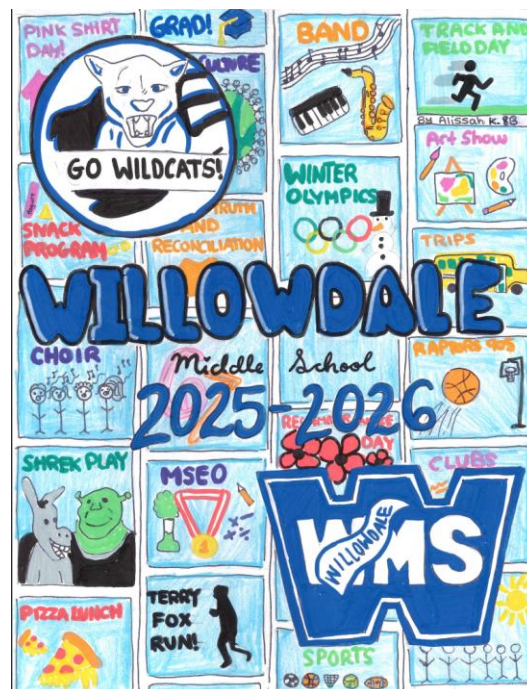
Our annual yearbook is looking amazing! It is packed with student achievements, highlights of our favourite school activities, and great memories from throughout the year.

We would like to extend a huge congratulations to Alissah K. for creating this year's winning cover! Willowdale is home to many talented artists, and it was a difficult choice from the 14 incredible submissions.

How to Order Your Yearbook:

- **Cost:** \$15.00
- **Where to Purchase:** Please visit [School Cash Online](#) to secure your copy
- **Order Deadline:** June 10, 2026

Distribution Details: Yearbooks will be distributed on June 22nd and 23rd. If you are unable to pick up your yearbook during these days, they will be available for collection in the main office in September.



Gr. 7/8 Slo-Pitch North Conference



Today, our Grade 7/8 slo-pitch team played in an intense Conference semi-final game against St. Andrews MS. In the 5th inning, our team came back and scored six runs with our tying run on third base. The players came just short with our third out and lost 11-10.

We are very proud of all our players. They displayed great skills, determination and sportsmanship. A special thank you to our coaches, Ms. Teplitz and Ms. Dolce. Way to go, Wildcats!

Track & Field Team

Congratulations to the Willowdale MS Track and Field Team on an amazing season! Twenty-seven members represented our school at the North Conference Finals on June 2. Of those 27 athletes, 8 have qualified for the City Championships at Birchmount Stadium on June 9.

A special mention goes to the athletes competing at the City Championships:

- Ruihe (Grade 6) - Shot Put
- Avin (Grade 6) - Shot Put
- Georgia (Grade 7) - 400 m
- Iyla (Grade 7) - 400 m
- Hayden (Grade 7) - 100 m
- Kadijah (Grade 7) - 100 m
- Aryana (Grade 8) - Shot Put
- Shannon (Grade 8) - 100 m and 200 m

Well done, Wildcats! Best of luck at the City Championships!

Thank you to our coaches, Mr. Soriano and Mr. Talbi.



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!](#)



School Council

Our final School Council meeting took place on Monday, June 1st. As we wrap up another successful school year, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to our School Council for their unwavering support and dedication to our school community. Through their hard work, fundraising efforts, and volunteerism, School Council has helped provide valuable resources and opportunities that have enriched the educational experience for all our students. The funds raised this year have supported a variety of school initiatives, programs, and enhancements that would not have been possible without their commitment. On behalf of our students, staff, and families, thank you for your generosity, partnership, and countless hours of service. Your contributions have made a lasting impact, and we are truly grateful for all that you do.

Rugby Workshops at WMS - Updated Date



NEW DATE: Willowdale is excited to host a special rugby clinic for our students! On June 17 and 18, TIRF Rugby will be visiting our school to lead introductory rugby workshops.

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	
Friday, June 5	P.A. Day (No school for students)
Monday, June 8	Gr. 8 Assembly for the Ottawa Trip (1:40PM)
Tuesday, June 9	Pizza Day Lunch City Championship for Track & Field at Birchmount
June 10 to 12	Gr. 8 Trip to Ottawa
Thursday, June 11	6C, 6D, 6F, 6/7F Trip to Aga Khan
Friday, June 12	6A, 6B, 6E, 6I Trip to Aga Khan
June 17 & 18	Rugby Workshops
Thursday, June 18	Pizza Day Lunch
Friday, June 19	Gr. 7 Trip to the Movies (Toy Story 5)
Monday, June 22	Gr. 8 Graduation Ceremony and Celebration
Tuesday, June 23	Gr. 6 Trip to the Movies (Toy Story 5)
Wednesday, June 24	Activity Afternoon 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.