



SEPTEMBER 15-19, 2025

John Ware Families,

We are back at what we do best and are thoroughly enjoying getting to know our students and creating positive classroom community. We will continue to plan opportunities for students to develop a sense of belonging within classes and the greater John Ware community.

Families are reminded to please complete the annual forms for each student, to confirm contact information and provide consent for sharing of information.

- **Demographic Verification - 2025-26** – This required form is an Alberta Education requirement as proof of Registration for funding purposes and includes your child's personal information as well as parent / legal guardian contact information.
- **Citizenship Information Update - 2025-26** – This form becomes available if you change your child's citizenship information on the Demographic Verification form.
- **Annual Authorization - 2025-26** – Combines the following forms:
 - School District Use of Personal Information
 - Consent for CBE Use of Student Information
 - Consent for Use of Student Information by News Media and Outside Groups (Third Party)

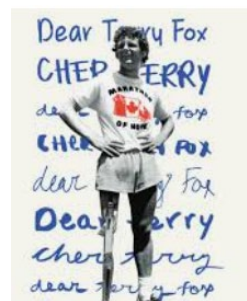
WELCOME BACK BBQ THIS THURSDAY | 5:00 – 7:00

Join us for our annual **Welcome Back BBQ & Open House from 5:00-7:00 pm**. Come by to have a hot dog, meet staff and connect with community. Teachers will be in classrooms to answer questions and share information with families to support a great year of school.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY | FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH
NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION

Each year, September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The day honours the children who never returned home and Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities.

Students and staff are invited to **wear orange for the week of September 22-26** as treaty people in recognition of the impact of residential schools and as an act of ReconciliACTION through committing to creating a better world and community for all.



TERRY FOX RUN | FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

Students will participate in our annual Terry Fox Run in an effort to help raise funds for cancer research. Families are welcome to come to the school to participate in our school run.

Students have the opportunity to “buy” tickets to pie a teacher in the face – when students raise funds, they are eligible for a ticket to enter to pie a teacher in the face at our Terry Fox Pep Rally in October.

September 18
Welcome back BBQ
& meet the teacher
5:00 – 7:00 pm

Friday, September 26
Orange Shirt Day

September 29
Non-Instructional
Day

September 30
National Day for
Truth &
Reconciliation

October 3 @ 10 am
Terry Fox Run

October 13
No School
Thanksgiving

October 20
No School – Civic
Election Day

November 8-12
Fall Break, no
classes



CELL PHONE POLICY | ALBERTA GOV'T MANDATE



Phones, ear buds and digital watches need to be:

- ✓ turned off or set to silent
- ✓ stored away in backpacks and in their lockers
- ✓ used off campus before school, at lunch and after school

We continue to support students to engage in learning to the best of their ability, which includes limiting distractions during instructional time. Thank you for your support.

Repeated reminders will be addressed through Progressive Discipline, as per the Student Code of Conduct.

GYM STRIP

Students must change each day for gym class.

- John Ware t-shirt (required for SLC)
- Athletic bottoms (shorts, sweats, leggings, etc.) *can bring from home
- Sweatshirt / hoodie (for outdoor classes & walking to SLC) *can bring from home
- Athletic shoes – *no boots, Crocs, sandals, etc.*

Athletic wear orders can be made through the following link: www.myschoolzone.ca/jws



STUDENT HEALTH PLAN

Families are asked to complete and submit a student health plan:

- if a physical or medical condition may affect the student's attendance at school;
- if medication is to be taken at school; and
- updated annually or sooner if there is a change in the student's health concern or school registration.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Students at all CBE schools are to conduct themselves in a manner which meets the expectations of the Student Code of Conduct. Students and families are encouraged to review the attached document.

<https://www.cbe.ab.ca/GovernancePolicies/AR6005-Student-Code-of-Conduct.pdf>

INSTAGRAM | FOLLOW US TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING



Students and staff are showing off what's happening at school through our Instagram account. Check us out to see what students are up to!

@LonghornLifeYYC

Email: tmgreenlaw@cbe.ab.ca and johnwareparentcouncil@gmail.com



Sincerely,

Tanis Greenlaw
Principal, John Ware School



Calgary Board of Education

2025 – 2026 JOHN WARE SCHOOL



CBE schools are closed on the days shaded grey.

August 27, 28, 29	Non-instruction days
September 1	Labour Day
September 2	First day of school
September 29	Non-instruction day
September 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
October 13	Thanksgiving Day
October 20	Non-instruction day, Calgary General Election
November 7	Last day of classes
November 8-12	Fall Break
November 13	Classes resume
November 28	Non-instruction day
December 19	Last day of classes
Dec 20 - Jan 4	Winter Break
January 5	Classes resume
January 30	System Professional Learning Non-instruction day
February 12, 13	Teachers' Convention
February 16	Family Day
February 27	Non-instruction day
March 19	Last day of classes
March 20	Non-instruction day
March 21-29	Spring Break
March 30	Classes resume
April 3	Good Friday
April 24	Maatoomsil/Pookaiks, Professional Learning Non-instruction day
May 15	Non-instruction day
May 18	Victoria Day
June 26	Last day of school Early Dismissal
June 29, 30	Non-instruction days

August 2025	September 2025	October 2025
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September 18 th Meet the Teacher BBQ	Wellness Day – May 14
November 27 & 28 Student Conferences	Drama Production – Spring 2026
March 19 & 20 Student Conferences	Band Trip – TBD
Term 1: September 2 - January 27 Report Card on PowerSchool Jan. 27	Term 2: January 28 - June 26 Report Card on PowerSchool June 25

School Hours:
8:30 – 3:10 Monday – Thursday
8:30 – 11:50 Friday

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