



# William Cook Elementary School

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## Cook Community The Week Ahead: April 10- 14, 2023

### Important Information:

<b>Monday</b>	Easter Monday (NO SCHOOL)
<b>Tuesday</b>	Breakfast Club Gr. 7s To Camp Jubilee
<b>Wednesday</b>	Breakfast Club Gr. 7s Return from Camp Jubilee
<b>Thursday</b>	Breakfast Club
<b>Friday</b>	Breakfast Club

1. A friendly reminder that there is NO SCHOOL on Monday, April 10<sup>th</sup> for **Easter Monday**.

Easter, also called Pascha or Resurrection Sunday, is a Christian festival and cultural holiday commemorating the resurrection of Jesus from the dead

2. We continue to acknowledge our Muslim families who are celebrating **Ramadan**.

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar observed by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting, prayer, reflection, and community. Currently, we have staff and students practicing from March 22<sup>nd</sup> to April 20<sup>th</sup>.

3. Also, many of our Jewish families are practicing **Passover**.

The eight-day Jewish holiday of Passover is celebrated in the early spring, from April 5 – 13th. Passover (Pesach) commemorates the emancipation of the Israelites from slavery in ancient Egypt. Pesach is observed by avoiding leaven, and highlighted by the Seder meals that include four cups of wine, eating matzah and bitter herbs, and retelling the story of the Exodus.

4. Next week, we want to recognize our families who celebrate Vaisakhi.

Vaisakhi is a regional Indian holiday celebrated on April 13 and 14 of each year. It is an ancient spring harvest festival and also recognized as the solar new year.

5. Our SWIS (Settlement Workers In Schools) are offering workshops and activities for families new to the country. Please see the attachment for what is being offered.



### Upcoming Dates:

April 20 – PAC Lunch: Sushi Day

April 28 – SPIRIT DAY: Wacky Colours Day