

Gordon Terrace News



September 2026

Reporting Student Absences:

Please report to the office if your student will be away or late. You can do so by using the School Messenger (Safe Arrival) App



*if your number is Canada-based.

<https://www.sd5.bc.ca/studentparent/SchoolMessenger/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

You can also call the office directly to report an absence at 250-426-8248.

Toonies for Terry Fox Run:

Our Grade 5 students in Ms. Thomson's class are excited to help organize our school-wide Terry Fox Run on Thursday, September 24th!

To support this important cause, students are invited to bring a Toonie for Terry. All donations will go toward cancer research in support of the Terry Fox Foundation. Every contribution, big or small, helps make a difference.



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Dilly Bar Day is Back!



We're excited to announce that Dilly Bar Day is returning for another year!

Beginning in October, students can enjoy a delicious Dilly Bar on the first Wednesday of most months while supporting a great cause. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward purchasing new outdoor sports equipment for our students.

Pre-orders are now open in September for the entire school year. To help us plan and organize deliveries, all orders must be submitted by **September 28th**. Dilly Bars will then be delivered directly to your child's classroom on the scheduled Dilly Bar Days throughout the year.

Please Note:

- Orders must be placed in advance for the full year.
- Cash sales will not be available on delivery days.
- Refunds cannot be provided if a student is absent on a Dilly Bar Day.

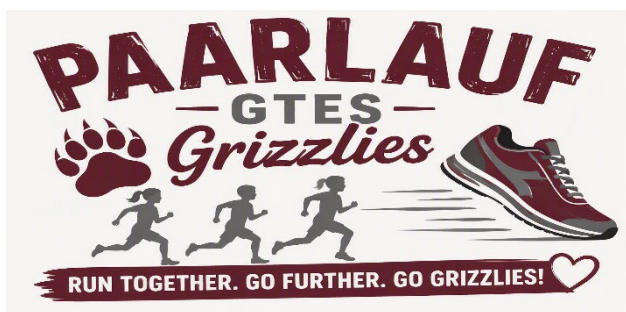
Thank you for supporting our students and helping us make this fundraiser a sweet success!    

Early Dismissal & Parent-Teacher Conferences

Please note that students will be dismissed at **12:15 PM** on Tuesday, **October 6th**, and Wednesday, **October 7th** to accommodate Parent-Teacher Conferences.

Your child's teacher will be in touch to schedule a conference time.

Be sure to visit our Book Fair, which will be open following the conferences! It's a wonderful opportunity to discover new books, encourage a love of reading, and support our school library. We look forward to seeing you there! 📚 ✨



Intermediate (Grades 4-6) Paarlauf Team

We are excited to announce that our **GTES Grizzlies** will have the opportunity to represent Gordon Terrace Elementary at the **Paarlauf event** at Laurie Middle School on **Tuesday, September 22**, from **3:30 to 5:00 PM**. (Alternate date: September 23.)

Teams will be organized by grade level and will consist of **9 runners and 1 alternate**. Students interested in participating can join us for team tryouts on **Thursday, September 17**, at 1:45. This will be the only opportunity to try out this season.

We look forward to seeing our students challenge themselves, encourage one another, and proudly represent GTES.



The Indigenous Education Program:

Green Indigenous Education permission forms will be coming home soon. If your child is of Indigenous ancestry and is registered in the program, please sign and return the form **as soon as possible**. Students who return their forms by **September 22** will be entered into an **incentive prize draw!**

The Indigenous Education Program supports the success of Indigenous learners throughout their educational journey. Participation is open to all students of Indigenous ancestry, and no proof of ancestry is required. Our school's Indigenous Education Support Worker is **Teri Shatosky** (teri.shatosky@sd5.bc.ca).

Please also mark your calendars for: ❤️
Orange Shirt Day: September 29

❤️ **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation:** September 30

Families are invited to join the community walk at **St. Eugene Mission at 10:00 AM**, with lunch to follow.



Book Fair:

Get ready for an exciting event! Our Scholastic Book Fair is coming up on Tuesday, **October 6th**, and Wednesday, **October 7th**, from **12:15 to 4:15 PM**! This is your chance to revitalize your home libraries, discover thoughtful gifts, and find your next favorite book!

Don't miss out—this is the only fundraiser for our library this year! Every purchase you make will help bring in new resources for our school and keep our kids reading. Let's make this Book Fair a fantastic success!

Show Your GTES Pride!

Every **Friday is GTES Spirit Day** at Gordon Terrace Elementary! Students and staff are encouraged to wear **maroon and grey** or their favourite **GTES apparel** to show their school spirit.

Looking for spirit wear? Visit our online store:

 [Spirit wear shop](#)

Let's finish each week by celebrating the amazing Gordon Terrace community.

Go Grizzlies! 🐾



School Supply Fees:

For our primary grades (K-3), we are excited to share that our school has ordered student supplies in bulk! This helps keep costs lower for our families.

Soon, you will receive an invoice showing the total amount due for your child's supplies. We kindly ask that you pay the school supply fees through School Cash Online at [School Cash Online](#). This is our preferred method of payment.

Thank you for your cooperation and support!



Gordon Terrace PAC has a Facebook Group!

Please find us at Gordon Terrace PAC. We work alongside the school to post helpful information and reminders.

September

14	PAC meeting in the Library
17	Crazy Hair Day
18	Professional Development Day – No School
22	Paarlauf – 3:30-5:00 pm Laurie School
23	Alternate Paarlauf date
24	Terry Fox Run – Toonies for Terry
25	School Picture Day
28	Last day to order Dilly Bars for the year
29	Orange Shirt Day & Assembly
30	Truth & Reconciliation Day STAT – No School
October	
7	Dilly Bar Day – Please pre-order ASAP
6-7	• Parent Conferences - Early Dismissal 12:15 • Scholastic Book 12:15-4:15
12	Thanksgiving – No School
23	Professional Development Day – No School
26	Picture re-take day
31	Halloween – details to follow

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Bell Schedule

8:35 Morning Bell

8:40 Start Time

10:40-10:55 Recess

12:15-1:05 Lunch Time

2:50 End-of-Day Dismissal