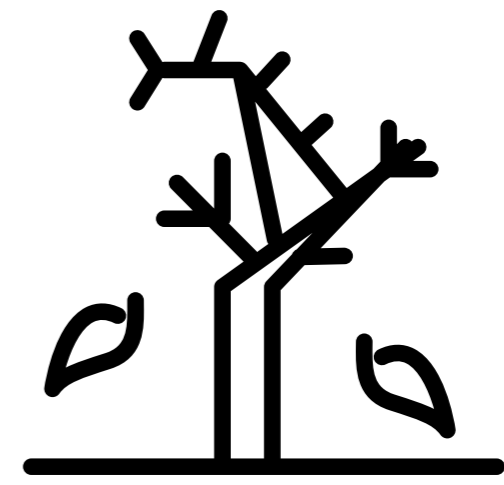




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**NOVEMBER**

*at a glance*

## Principal's Message

Many amazing events continue to take place at Green Valley School. It gives me great pleasure to recognize our students for their many accomplishments this Fall which include: participation in clubs, varsity sports, bands, choirs, class projects and numerous learning excursions. Special congratulations to those students who have achieved a special goal, no matter how big or small. Parents are asked to please take a moment to celebrate accomplishments with your child and to create a plan for other areas of interest that he/she may like to explore or achieve.

I am always so proud of our students and how they interact with others within the community while on school field trips, when hosting guest presentations at our school, and also when competing at sporting events. The feedback we receive about our students is that they stand out in their citizenship, and demonstrate exceptional manners and kindness.

Thank you parents and community members for attending and supporting the Lions Club of Grunthal Breakfast Program Fundraiser. Green Valley School is very grateful to the Lions Club of Grunthal for their continued support in being a major partner and sponsor for our school breakfast program.

CONGRATULATIONS to our entire school community for bringing in over 5,000 pounds this year for the FCC Food Drive. This food drive is not only one of our major social justice programs for the year, but it is also a strong learning opportunity that builds character and promotes citizenship within our community.

Please continue to check our school website to stay informed of the many different meetings, activities and programs that are happening at GVS. We continue to invite parents to get involved in the GVS community by volunteering or by regularly attending and supporting the many different extra-curricular programs we offer here at GVS.

The meaning of life is to find your gift, the purpose of life is to give it away.  
~ Joy J. Golliver

Principal  
Angela Burtnack-Schinkel

**November 1**  
**Take Our Kids to Work**  
**Day - Gr. 9s**

**November 3**  
**SY Report Cards Issued**

**November 10**  
**Remembrance Day**  
**Service - 10:45**

**November 11**  
**Remembrance Day**

**November 13**  
**No Classes**  
**MY - Admin Day**  
**SY - Superintendent's**  
**Prof. Dev. Day**

**November 17**  
**MY Report Cards**  
**Issued**

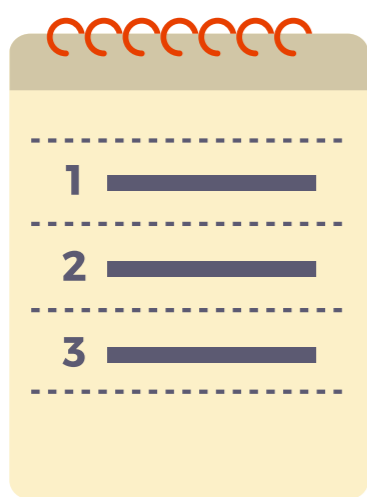
**November 22**  
**MY - Student Led**  
**Conferences**  
**SY- Parent Teacher**  
**Conference**



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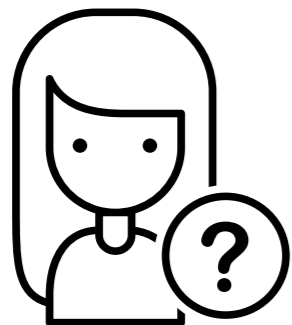
# Student Survey

Over the next few weeks, GVS students will be participating in an online school survey for students called the OurSCHOOL Student Survey. This survey is a divisional mandate and is a powerful tool that generates data for the purpose of informing school improvements and school planning. This survey provides students with an opportunity to have their voice heard in a safe and constructive way.



About the OurSCHOOL Student Survey:

- Allows students to share their feedback anonymously on their experiences at school, school environment and school improvement programs.
- Participation in the survey is voluntary, however all students are encouraged to participate.
- The time required to complete the survey may vary, but it is designed to be completed in approximately 35-40 minutes.
- Survey measures include such topics as behaviours and attitudes linked to student success, emotional and social well-being, and physical health.



If you have questions or would like to request more information about the OurSCHOOL Student Survey, please contact Cam Gerbrandt, our guidance counsellor.



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# Student Council



School Spirit Week is October 31- November 3rd

Tuesday - Free Dress Up

Wednesday - 80s Day

Thursday - Formal Day

Friday - Beach Party



Students are reminded that all costumes must follow our school dress-code. Thursday at lunch student council is selling popcorn for \$2, or with a scoop of M&Ms for \$2.50.

**November 15th is Booster Juice Day!**

Small \$4  
Large \$6



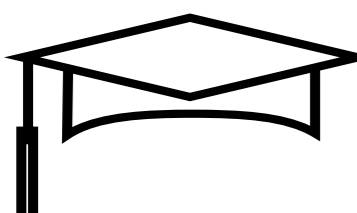
**Flavours:**  
Canadian Colada  
Mango Hurricane  
Very Berry

Live Different will be visiting the school on November 28th and presenting to grade 7-12 students.

GVS Wellness Wednesday's this month are November 15th and 29th.

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# Grad News



All grade 12 students interested in university should consider applying before December 1, 2017. Universities use this date for advanced early admission scholarships. If your grade 11 course average was above 85% on five 30S courses you could be in line for an entrance scholarship. Talk to Mr. Gerbrandt for more information.

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# Take Your Kid to Work Day

November 1st is Take Your Kid to Work Day. This give all grade 9 students in the province a chance to experience the world of work through job shadowing a parent, relative or friend. All grade 9 students should now be registered with the school and be ready to go to work. If you encounter one of these grade 9 students during this day, please make them feel welcome.

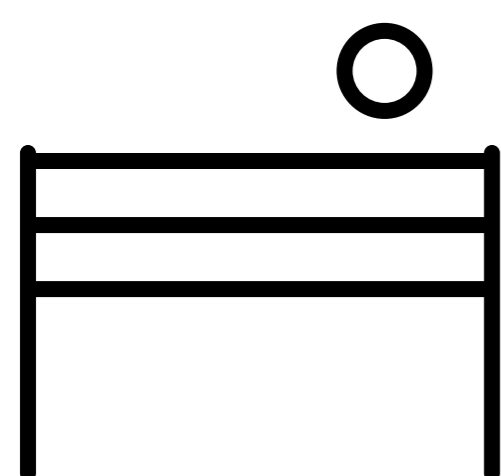


# GVS Sports

November is upon us and the stretch run for our volleyball season has begun. It will be a busy month for volleyball as our league play wraps up and playoffs begin for a chance to represent our Zone at Provincials.

This past weekend our JV Boys and Girls hosted the annual Green Valley School JV Invitational Tournament. Both the girls and the boys had some great competition! On the boys side, the host Pirates went through the round robin undefeated. They cruised through their first semi-final match, but came up against a tough Landmark team in the final, losing a close hard fought match. On the girls side, the Pirates clawed their way to a semi-final berth, coming up against Northlands Parkway in the Semi-Finals, who had gone undefeated through round robin. The girls gave it their best, but came up a bit short in the end.

All of our Volleyball teams have had a busy month of league play and tournaments. Currently our Varsity Boys are ranked 4th and Varsity Girls 1st in the Province. The JV Boys are ranked 7th; however, they just defeated the number 1 ranked Goose Lake Raiders in our home tournament, so that is sure to change! The following are some important dates to keep in mind for the rest of the season in November:



- Nov. 3rd and 4th : Varsity Boys and Girls in Brandon at Neelin tournament.
- Nov. 8th : Varsity Volleyball Zones (South vs. North winner) hosted by the South winner
- Nov. 9th : JV Volleyball Zones (South vs. North winner) hosted by the South winner
- Nov. 18th: Varsity Provincial Qualifiers @ TBD
- Nov. 23, 24 and 25: JV Boys Volleyball Provincials @ Steinbach Christian, JV Girls Volleyball Provincials @ Killarney.
- Nov. 30th, De. 1st and 2nd : Varsity Boys and Girls Volleyball Provincials @ Warren.

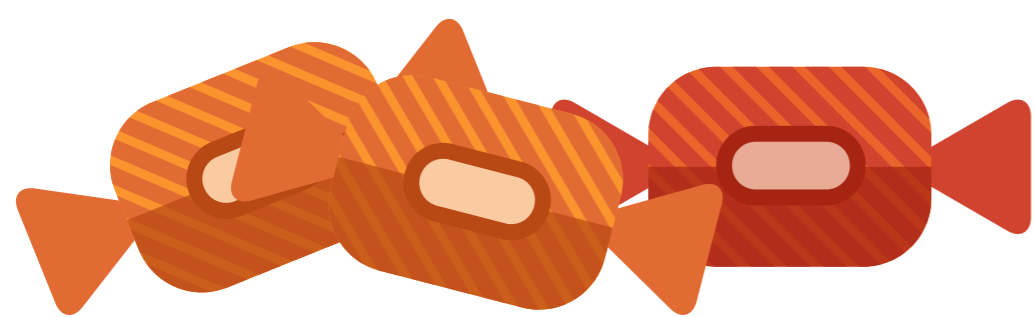
There will be a High School Boys and Girls Basketball meeting on November 7th in the High School Hut. Anyone in Grade 9-12 who is interested in playing basketball this year at the Varsity and JV level must attend!

All game results will be posted at [www.mhsaa.ca](http://www.mhsaa.ca). For practice times and league games, visit [www.gvs.hsd.ca](http://www.gvs.hsd.ca) and access the Pirates calendar. For all Zone 13 information and League Schedules visit our brand new Zone 13 league website at <http://z13aa.weebly.com/>.

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## Chocolate Sales

Our chocolate sales are completed and over \$22,000 of chocolates were sold. Thanks to all the students for selling. Thank-you parents, friends, relatives, neighbours, and businesses for supporting GVS. The money raised will go towards additional playground equipment, sports fees, field trips, and special school activities.



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## Parent Portal

Please consider signing up for the Parent Portal. A single username and password give parents access to student information, school fees balances, report cards, grad/credit summaries, attendance information, and permission & consent forms. This is a great way for you to stay up-to-date with your child's information. Additionally, school fees can now be paid through the parent portal.

To learn more about the HSD Parent Portal, please view the HSD Parent Portal FAQ section at <http://hsd.ca/schools/parent-portal>. If you have questions regarding setting up the Portal please call the school office.