



THE GRIZZLY GAZETTE

February 7, 2025

Happy Friday Everyone!

Greetings, Gordon Head Families. Another great, snowy week for the Grizzlies!

As fun as the snow was this past week, it sure will be nice to transition back to some warmer sunnier days. Unfortunately, we have one more cold week ahead of us and I ask that you please continue to help your children dress appropriately for the weather. You would be shocked at the number of t-shirt wearing students we get claiming its too cold to go outside at break.

Volleyball season continues, so please make sure your children are communicating with their coaches regarding transportation and their ability to attend weekly game. Thanks everyone.

Warm Regards,

Carter

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**Friday
February 7**

Let's Get Visible

**Monday
February 10 -
Thursday
February 13**

**Student Transfer
Application Week**

**Friday
February 14**

**Pro D Day
(No school for students)**

**Monday
February 17**

**Family Day
(No School)**

**Tuesday
February 25**

**Curriculum
Completion
Afternoon**

**Wednesday
February 26**

Pink Shirt Day



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Student Transfer Application Process

Dear Parents and Guardians,

You may have received an emailed transition letter last month which indicates where your child will attend next school year, based on their catchment. Please check all email and junk email folders in search of this letter. If your family wishes to apply for a transfer to a different school for the 2025/2026 school year, please read the important information below.

Transfer application forms will be added to the Greater Victoria School District website (see the link below) on February 7 at 4:00 pm for families to download and print. In addition, students can pick up a hard copy from the school office beginning **February 10**. Students are to return the completed transfer applications to their current school's office during the transfer period from February 10-13. Transfer application forms will not be accepted at school offices prior to **February 10**. Transfer applications will be determined in accordance with student enrolment priorities and, therefore, there is no advantage in submitting transfer applications early. Please submit your application form at your convenience during the communicated dates.

Further Transfer Process information and applications can be found here:
<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/registration/>



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Clubs and Meetings

- Robotics/Coding - Wednesday 3:00-4:00pm
- Yearbook Leaders - Meeting: Monday February 10 @ lunch in the art room
- Magic the Gathering and Pokemon Club runs weekly on Thursdays at lunch recess.
- Dance Team meets every Wednesday at lunch and Friday after school until 3:45, in the Dance/Drama room.
- GSA meets on Thursdays at lunch in the Library.
- Chess Club meets Fridays at lunch in the Library.

Volleyball and Triple ball Games (all tournaments start at 3:45)

- Boys **7/8 Comp Monday February 10** @ Monterey
- Boys **7/8 Rec Team 1 Monday February 10** @ SMUS
- Boys **7/8 Rec Team 2 Monday February 10** @ Royal Oak Middle
- Girls **7 Comp Game Tuesday February 11** Host @ Gordon Head
- Girls **6/7 Rec Team 1&2 Tuesday February 11** @ Glanford
- Girls **8 Comp Team 1 Wednesday February 12** @ Arbutus
- Girls **8 Comp Team 2 Wednesday February 12** Host @ Gordon Head
- Girls **7/8 Rec Team 1 Wednesday February 12** @ SMUS
- Boys **7 Comp Thursday February 13** Host @ Bayside
- Boys **6/7 Rec Team 1 Thursday February 13** @ St. Pat's
- Boys **6/7 Rec Team 2 Thursday February 13** @ Cedar Hill
- Students should check their team lists for practice days and time





Kidovate is Back for April 2025!

Kidovate is a fun, free entrepreneurship initiative of UVIC's Gustavson School of Business for high school and middle school students. Kidovate aims to develop entrepreneurial spirit and acumen by encouraging participants to sell goods or services on Kidovate Market Day. This year's market will be held on Saturday, April 5th at The Bay Centre. Last year more than 200 young entrepreneurs participated in Kidovate. There is no cost to participate in Kidovate and there are many resources available to help youth be successful. Check out <http://kidovate.ca/>





PARKS, RECREATION
& COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Backdoor Youth Centre

Weekly Calendar

10-17yrs

January 2025

Monday

After School Drop-in
3:00-5:00PM

2SLGBTQIA+ Social
Drop-in 6:00-8:00PM



Tuesday

After School Drop-in
3:00-5:00PM

Crafters & Bakers 6:00-8:00PM
(Registered program)



Wednesday

After School Drop-in
3:00-5:00PM

Games & Swim 6:30-8:45PM
(Registered program)



Thursday

After School Drop-in
3:00-5:00PM

Guys Night Drop-in
6:00-8:00PM



Friday

After School Drop-in
3:00-5:00PM

FREE Friday Night Drop-in
5:00-9:00PM
PS5 Games Day!



Saturday

Sports Night 6:00-8:00PM
@Gordon Head Middle School
(Registered program)

Sunday

CLOSED

Program Info

*Closed on STAT Holidays



FREE Drop-in program



Registration and Payment
Required

Scan to Register



HOW TO REGISTER:

1. Online: saanich.ca/youth (create an account & register)
2. Phone: 250-475-7111
3. In person at Gordon Head Recreation Centre Reception



Gordon Head Recreation Centre
4100 Lambrick Way Victoria, BC V8N 5R3 250-475-7100



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2SLGBTQIA+

11-17yrs

SOCIAL



Jan 13 - Jun 2

FREE

MONDAYS
6-8 PM

Come join us for a fun safe & inclusive youth social and connect with other youth in your community!
Enjoy snacks, games, crafts, and more!

REGISTER or drop-in
saanich.ca/youth
250-475-7100

Scan for more info:



@ The Backdoor Teen Centre
Gordon Head Recreation Centre



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FREE

GUYS NIGHT HANGOUT

10-14yrs

**THURSDAYS
6:00 - 8:00PM**

Jan 30 - Mar 13

Apr 3 - Jun 5

Hangout, play games and learn new skills!
Our Teen Centre is equipped with a pool
table, foosball, outdoor ping pong, board
games, a PS5 and more!

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