



Gordon Head Middle School

Thursday

October 23, 2025

- Today is Pokemon and Magic club in the home ec. room after the eating portion of lunch.
- Today's hot lunch is calzones.
- Tomorrow is a pro-D day, so no school for students; enjoy your long weekend.
- Thank you to everyone for supporting our school Book Fair. The fair is now over. If you ordered a book it will be delivered to your class next Wednesday. Keep an eye on the "New Books" display in the library to see what great titles we earned at the fair.
- The library will be closed after 11:30 today as both Ms. Aerts and Ms. Sheyka will be away. It will reopen at 10 am on Friday (no students here on Friday). The **Book Battle Team** meeting is cancelled.
- If you ride your bike or scooter to school, please lock it at the bike and scooter racks only. Please do not use the hand railings. These are there for people to use for safety.
- Another safety announcement is to please walk your scooters and bikes once you get to the school. Zipping past our crossing guards is dangerous for them.
- Band 7/8s and 8 band time today is moved from block 3 to afterschool.
- **Basketball news:**
- Gr. 6 boys comp. team #3, please come to an important meeting at recess in Mrs. May's room to receive your jerseys for today's game.
- Way to go grade 8 boys for your teamwork last night at Monterey. You have a practice today at lunch in the gym with Ms. Smith.
- Today at lunch, girls 6/7 rec. team and gr 8 boys team have practices.
- Today we host the grade 6 comp. boys at 3:45, then the grade 6/7 comp. boys at 5pm. Our scorekeepers are Milla and Cashius. It would be good to have a couple more; if you are available and can help, please see Mrs. Adamson. Good luck to team #2 who are off to Lansdowne today.
- A special event for some grade 8 student athletes is happening next Friday, October 31st. On Monday there will be a meeting and a sign up for the following event at SMUS; a keynote speaker named **James Kerr**, author of *Legacy*, who has studied the All Blacks rugby team to uncover why they've become one of the most successful teams in sports history is having a talk. This talk explores the philosophical underpinnings of their culture, including a deep connection to **Māori values** and the importance of **leadership, humility, and leaving a legacy**—a powerful message, especially for young athletes. Grade 8's, please stay tuned to Monday's announcements for further details.