



THE GRIZZLY GAZETTE

November 28, 2025

Happy Friday Everyone!

Greetings, Gordon Head Families. It has been another great week at GHMS.

Sorry to start with a negative message but, can I please ask the few parents who continue to drop off their students in the staff parking lot after 8:00am to **please stop**. We had another near miss this morning with a parent leaving the parking lot as students arrived at school. I know it is a busy street in the morning and our drop off zone can be quite congested but the staff parking lot is not a safe area to have cars entering and exiting during morning arrivals or student dismissals. Thank you all for your understanding.

Your Admin Team

In This Weeks Gazzette

- Upcoming Sports/ Meetings
- Library News
- PAC News
- Hosting Internationals Students
- Community Opportunities

Tuesday December 2	CC Afternoon (12:00 Early Dismissal)
Thursday December 18	PAC Meeting
Friday December 19	Last Day Before Winter Break
Friday December 19	Learning Updates Available Online



Clubs and Meetings

- GSA Club - **Mondays** in the library
- Math Challengers - **Tuesdays**, after school, in the library
- Musical Theatre - **Tues and Fri** @ lunch and **Wed** after school
- Dance Ensemble - **Wednesdays** @ lunch
- Coding Club - **Wednesdays**, after school
- Library Club - **Wednesdays** in the library
- Pokemon and Magic Club - **Thursdays** @ lunch
- Chess Club - **Fridays** @ lunch

Upcoming Sports - Games and Practices

Volleyball

Volleyball season will officially start in January, but during December we will be organizing our teams and beginning to have practice sessions. There will be skill level assessments next week for all boys and girls hoping to play on competitive Volleyball teams. Please remind students to listen to the announcements for assesment times.

Basketball Games

Congratulations to all of our basketball players this season. We are so proud of all of you. You worked so hard and represented GHMS so well.

Special congratulations to our Gr. 6/7 girls comp team that is moving on to play for 3rd or 4th on Tuesday December 2nd @ Centre Mountain Lellum. Good luck girls, we are so proud of you.



LiBRARY NEWS

NOVEMBER 2025

NEWS

BookFairupdate

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the Scholastic Book Fair! Lots of fun was had, and we were able to add quite a few new books to our collection.



Thank you

Non-fiction update

Students and staff have been getting used to the new organization of the non-fiction collection. Feedback has been positive!

We are still fine-tuning some of our labelling and signage so there will be minor changes to come.



Come check out our November displays!

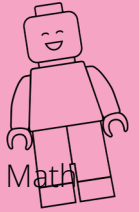
- Hindu Heritage Month
- Remembrance Day
- New Books
- Transgender Day of Remembrance



CLUB REMINDERS

Check out these **FUN** clubs in the library at lunch:

- **Monday** - GSA Club
- **Tuesday** - Lego Club
- **Tuesdays after school** - Math Challengers
- **Wednesday** - Library Club
- **Thursday** - Battle of the Books
- **Friday** - Chess Club



OCTOBER STATS

- 1833 books checked out incl.:
 - 635 fiction novels
 - 477 graphic novels
 - 230 manga books
- Lionel Messi was the top biography!



IT'S HERE!



NEW ARRIVAL



Host an International Student



JOIN VICTORIA'S HOSTING COMMUNITY

Short Term Stays (2 weeks - 3 months) & Long Term Stays (5 months +)
Middle School Students & High School Students

\$1260 per month provided for student support (pro-rated for short term programs)



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Join Victoria's Vibrant Hosting Community

The Greater Victoria School District's Homestay Program is looking for new host families.

- Students come from around the world to participate in academic programming in Victoria's middle and high schools
- Homestays are needed for both short term stays (2 weeks – 3 months) and long term stays (5 months +)
- Host families provide a supportive and caring environment, along with 3 meals per day + snacks
- Training, homestay guidelines & 24/7 support is available from the homestay office
- Hosting an International Student is a wonderful opportunity for cultural exchange
- \$1260 per month is provided for student support

For more information:

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Community OPPORTUNITIES

District of Saanich's [Lambrick Park Campus Renewal Project](#)

This project is led by the Parks Division, in collaboration with colleagues in the Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department including Gordon Head Recreation Centre. While we will be in touch to schedule a more focused conversation with the school's leadership, we are hoping you may be able to pass on the information below to your families to help spread the word about the project and how they can participate. I have attached some visual materials which you are welcome to share in case it is useful, and I will come and drop off a poster at the school's reception later today or tomorrow, Tuesday.

Round 1 Engagement opportunities that are open to the public include:

- [Online questionnaire](#) – open now until December 6, 2025
- Open House at Gordon Head Middle School (band room), Saturday November 22, 2025, noon - 4pm
- Online Info Sessions with Q&A, Thursday November 27, 2025, noon-1:30pm and 7-8:30pm

More information about the above engagements can be found at
[Saanich.ca/hellolambrick](https://saanich.ca/hellolambrick).

Lambrick Park

CAMPUS RENEWAL PROJECT

**Help us re-envision
Lambrick Park Campus
as a key community asset
that meets the needs of
our evolving community.**

As our community is growing and changing, so are

the needs for the Lambrick Park Campus. Saanich is developing design options for the future of the park and Gordon Head Recreation Centre, and we want to hear from you! Join the conversation to help make this great parks, recreation, and community space even better.

Get Involved:

**Online Info
Sessions
With Q&A**

**Thursday
November 27,
2025**

Noon - 1:30 pm,
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

[Saanich.ca/
hellolambrick](https://saanich.ca/hellolambrick)

Open House

Saturday

**November 22,
2025**

Noon - 4:00 pm
**Gordon Head
Middle School**

Online Survey

Open until

December 6, 2025

**Saanich.ca/
hellolambrick**

**Help shape
the future
of Lambrick
Park!**

SCAN ME



For more
information, visit:

[Saanich.ca/hellolambrick](https://saanich.ca/hellolambrick)

Besoin d'aide pour
comprendre cette
information? Demandez à
une personne de confiance
de vous l'expliquer.

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ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਕਰਨ
ਜਾਂ ਸਮਝਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਕਹੋ।

이 정보를 이해하는 데
도움이 필요하신가요?
신뢰하는 분께 번역이나
설명을 부탁해 주세요.
¿Necesita ayuda para
entender esta información?
Pida a alguien de
confianza que se la
traduzca o se la explique.

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صخش نم بلطت نا بجري
كل اهرش وا اهتمجرت فونوم
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tulong para maintindihan
ito? Mangyaring humingi
ng tulong sa isang taong
pinagkakatiwalaan mo
para isalin o ipaliwanag.





AFTER SCHOOL DROP IN

September 8 - December 19



10 - 17yrs



Gordon Head Rec Centre
- Youth Centre



FREE



Mon-Thur 3:00-5:00pm
Fri *1:30-5:00pm

Get in Touch



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Gordon Head Recreation Centre
4100 Lambrick Way
Victoria, BC V8N 5R3



REGISTER NOW



The Youth Centre

at Gordon Head Recreation Centre

10YRS+

Come join us!

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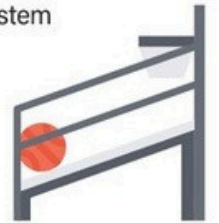


Amenities

- Kitchen & Dining area
- Pool table
- Outdoor ping pong



- Basketball arcade game
- PS5 gaming system
- 65" TV
- Board Games



Schools and neighbourhood served

- Lambrick Park Secondary School
- Reynolds Secondary School
- Mount Douglas Secondary School
- Gordon Head Middle School
- Cedar Hill Middle School
- Doncaster Elementary School
- Torquay Elementary School
- Braefoot Elementary School
- Campus View Elementary School



Check out our
FAQ's

Funding Support



All Saanich youth programs are inclusive



Gordon Head Recreation Centre Weekly Youth Centre Schedule - Fall

REMINDER
The Youth Centre is **CLOSED**
on Pro D Days and Holidays

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
AFTER SCHOOL DROP-IN 3-5pm FREE	AFTER SCHOOL DROP-IN 3-5pm FREE	AFTER SCHOOL DROP-IN 3-5pm FREE	AFTER SCHOOL DROP-IN 3-5pm FREE	AFTER SCHOOL DROP-IN 1:30-5pm FREE	SPORTS NIGHT @GHMS 4:30-6pm #145076, \$45	BIRTHDAY PARTIES AND ROOM RENTALS
2SLGBTQIA+ SOCIAL 6-8pm #145333 FREE	CRAFTERS & BAKERS 8PM #145054, \$55	GAMES & SWIM 6-8pm #145058, \$45	FitTok THURSDAYS 6-8PM #146754, \$40	FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL! 5-9PM	SPORTS NIGHT @GHMS 6:15-7:45pm #145084, \$45	
	ROCK CLIMBING @CARSA 7-8:30pm #146942, \$320					

SPECIAL FRIDAY NIGHT EVENTS



YOUTH FALL FEST PARTY + PIZZA!
SEPTEMBER 26
\$12



YOUTH HALLOWEEN MOVIE, PJS & PIZZA PARTY
\$15



YOUTH NEON GLOW PARTY & PIZZA!
NOVEMBER 14
\$12



YOUTH UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATER PARTY & PIZZA!
DECEMBER 12
\$12



Interested in more?
View all Saanich
Youth offerings here!

***Friday Night Social does not run during Fall Special Events**
Looking for a fun way to kick off your weekend?
Swing by our supervised Friday Night Social Drop-In at Gordon Head Recreation Centre — a free, casual hangout where you can chill with friends, meet new people, and dive into a variety of awesome activities.

Dinner included!



FITTOK THURSDAYS - Have fun tackling obstacle courses, team relays, yoga and TikTok like dances—every week brings a new way to get moving, build strength, and boost energy. After the action, we cool down with guided mindfulness exercises, creative journaling, confidence-building discussions, and breathing techniques.
Thursdays, 6-8pm.

#146754, \$40

