



## GREEN VALLEY SCHOOL JUNE 2021

**August 24**  
School Office Opens

**September 7**  
Admin Day (No Classes)

**September 8**  
Great Expectations  
(Gr. 5 & 9 only)

**September 9**  
First Day of Classes  
(Gr. 5-12)

GREETINGS GVS COMMUNITY,

WE DID IT!! With the support of our families and community, GVS students and staff were able to continue our educational journey, despite the changes we encountered. As a staff, we wanted to extend our deepest appreciation for the grace, kindness, words of encouragement and for the patience our parents/caregivers have extended to our entire staff this year. Our students have been AMAZING, RESILIENT and have shown us a lot of GRIT through this very unusual year of learning. Our students remained engaged, curious, appreciative, kind, and showed us hope and joy when we most needed it. GVS students, we salute you for making the most of a year that was hard on everyone.

As much as we are excited to bid farewell to a year we hope we don't have to repeat, we are sad to be saying farewell to a number of staff members.

After a highly illustrious teaching and coaching career, GVS wishes Mrs. Doris Wiens all the best as she rides off into the sunset on June 30. Mrs. Wiens was not just a teacher, she has inspired, mentored and coached so many students over the years to be the best that they can be. Mrs. Wiens is someone who has dedicated thousands of hours to Pirate Athletics. Words shall forever be insufficient to express our gratitude for everything Mrs. Wiens has contributed to our extra-curricular programs. Along with Mrs. Wiens we are saying farewell to Mr. Kurt Hangle and Mr. Alexander Grant. We want to thank Mr. Hangle for his passion, his expertise, for his love of learning and for his keen knowledge of the great outdoors. Mr. Hangle was instrumental in getting an outdoor learning excursion club going at GVS. The memorable canoe trips will be something a number of our students will forever cherish. Students were guided and supported to be problem solvers, inventors, and critical thinkers in Mr. Hangle's classes. Students took great pride in the projects that they got to create under Mr. Hangle's direction. We wish Mr. Hangle all the best as he begins his new position at an MET School in Winnipeg. Also leaving GVS after a brief two year stay is Mr. Alexander Grant. We will miss Mr. Grant's enthusiasm and creativity in our performing arts classes and extra-curricular programs. Mr. Grant's zest to try new things in his teaching practices has allowed him to build exciting, engaging and authentic relationships with our students. We wish him all the best as he starts his new teaching adventure at MBCI. We would also like to send a HUGE thank-you to our term teachers and EAs who will be leaving GVS at the end of June. We would like to thank Ms. Marie Schreimer, Mrs. Ingrid Schultz, Mr. Jaimel Nucom, Ms. Makenna Lindel, Ms. Alexandra Neufeld and Mrs. Irene Teichrib for all of their tremendous work and efforts here at GVS. We wish all of our term team members all the best in their future endeavors.

I cannot conclude our final newsletter without expressing my sincerest appreciation to our entire GVS staff. I am blessed to work with such dedicated, passionate, flexible, caring and professional individuals. No matter what changes came their way, they pivoted, adapted and supported one another through a very difficult and trying year. Our staff truly deserve and need to be recognized for all of their efforts this past year.

In closing, I am wishing our staff and students a relaxing, rejuvenating, safe and healthy summer break. May your summer offer you the time to reconnect with family and friends.

Until September, stay safe and well GVS FAMILY.

Angela Burtnack-Schinkel

# LIBRARY

Thank you all for adapting to the many library changes this year. It was very encouraging to see that so many books were still being signed out (over 15,600 books)! Thank you for your patience in waiting for book deliveries. I know that many of you didn't get all the books that you had on hold. Please put them on hold again in the new school year. It really made my day to see how happy the students were when I wheeled my colourful book cart out to the classrooms. Thanks again for all the support! Have a safe and happy summer! Keep calm and read on!

Due to COVID restrictions, we will not be able to run the GVS Summer Reading Program this year. However, Scholastic Canada is running a reading program called Camp Read-a-Lot. It will get you started on a fun, rewarding summer full of books and weekly printable activities. Get registered for Camp Read-a-Lot starting June 1 at:  
<https://classroomessentials.scholastic.ca/s/cec-ca/en/camp-readalot>

Parents: This site also gives you links to the Scholastic Reading Club Shop. You can buy books and they will be delivered right to your home. If you are buying an item, enter in the classroom code RC165287 and GVS gets rewards to purchase books and other supplies for our classrooms and library.

You can also follow Scholastic on Instagram @ScholasticReadingClubCanada to participate in weekly contests throughout the summer. One contest is the "Catch Your Kid Reading Giveaway". It runs from July 1 to August 14. Want to know how to enter?

- Snap a photo of your child reading one of their books for the Camp Read-a-Lot Summer Reading Challenge. It's fun for parents, too!
- Upload it to Instagram and tag us (Scholastic) in the picture @Scholastic Reading ClubCanada.
- Make sure you include #CatchYourKidReading, #CampReadaLot, and #giveaway in your post to qualify.
- You could WIN a coupon code for \$50 plus FREE SHIPPING to spend on [scholastic.ca/clubshop](https://www.scholastic.ca/clubshop)! For more info, visit [www.scholastic.ca/rc/contests](https://www.scholastic.ca/rc/contests)

# SUPPLY LISTS

Your child's supply lists for the 2021-2021 school year is posted on our website, [www.gvs.hsd.ca](http://www.gvs.hsd.ca).



## Course Changes for 2021-22

For students in high school wishing to make changes to their course schedule at the end of August, Mr. G will be in school towards the end of the month. You may call the school to book an appointment, or email Mr. G with your request. Please remember that course changes must have parental approval.

## 2021-2022 TEACHERS

On August 23, parents will be able to see who their child(s) teacher is on their Parent Portal account.

## MOVING OR ADDRESS CHANGE

This is a reminder that if you are moving during the summer break, please let Hanover School Division office know as soon as possible. Please be advised that the Transportation Department is open all summer long. The number to call is 204-320-2347.

# GVS GARDEN

One month in and our garden beds are thriving! The gardens are a source of conversation for students who are stopping and looking at their plants, and by the community who are dropping in to try to observe what is happening. This dream has been percolating in several teachers for several years and this year we were able to see it come to fruition. Our custodian, Maury Zaporzan, assembled the beds and Ron Friesen brought us a load of dirt. We had numerous students help shovel dirt and prep the gardens. The six beds are being used by teachers across all grade levels:

- Gr. 5 Science for an inquiry project - mystery seeds,
- Gr. 5 for Social Studies - an example of an indigenous crops that has squash covering the soil and bean vines growing up around corn stalks
- Gr. 9-12 Foods class - growing food and herbs to be used in cooking classes
- Gr. 12 Bio class- studying soil conditions and praying mantis
- Gr. 11 Science for a variety of experiments

Teachers are also looking forward to eating the produce with their class in fall!



## Numeracy - Math Facts

Over the past year, we have spent a lot of time working on math facts - adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing. These are foundational for future success in Math. We have seen students grow significantly in this throughout the year and we want to encourage our students to take time to do some reviewing over the summer. This is a way to help them remember all they have learned, avoid summer loss, and possibly even add to their abilities. Your kids may need a break, but this can be done in August when they get restless, or as a weekly or periodic activity.

Some helpful links below...

### Printable - Paper Practice

Addition: <https://www.math-drills.com/addition.php>

Subtraction [https://www.math-drills.com/subtraction/sub01to18\\_001.php](https://www.math-drills.com/subtraction/sub01to18_001.php)

Multiplication: <https://www.math-drills.com/multiplication.php>

Division: <https://www.math-drills.com/division.php>

### Online Practice

<https://www.timestables.com/>

<https://www.mathmammoth.com/practice/multiplication>

<https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/arithmetric>

### Online Math Programs

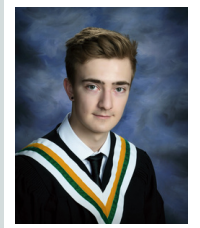
Our middle years also have been using online programs to reinforce their skills; these are also options: Mathletics, or Math Prodigy.



# CLASS OF 2021



**Zainab Al Saadi**  
John Driedger Memorial Scholarship \$500  
HTA Scholarship \$1000



**Aaron Barkman**  
Merit Award  
Laureate Award  
Grunthal Lumber Award \$1000  
U of M Entrance Scholarship \$2000



**Ethan Bell**  
Merit Award  
Laureate Award



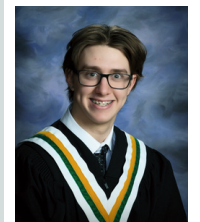
**Jessie Bellows**



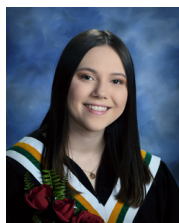
**Dario Bergen**  
Laureate Award



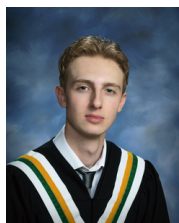
**Noah Boschman**  
Merit Award  
Laureate Award



**Bailey Braun**



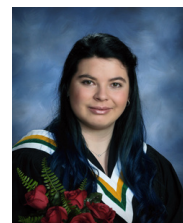
**Madelaine Driedger**  
Merit Award  
Laureate Award  
French Award  
Lakeview Insurance Brokers Award \$1000



**William Driedger**



**Tristen Dueck**



**Cassandra Dyck**



**Kayden Fast**



**Avery Friesen**  
Merit Award



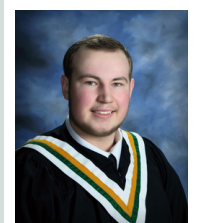
**Dawson Friesen**



**Marcus Friesen**  
Merit Award  
Laureate Award  
Math/Science Award  
Lions Club Award \$1000  
U of M Chown Scholarship  
U of M Entrance Scholarship \$3000  
Governor General's Academic Medal



**Pedro Friesen**



**Ronny Friesen**



**Scott Friesen**



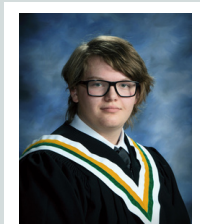
**Isaiah Giesbrecht**  
Merit Award  
Laureate Award



**Hayden Ginter**  
Merit Award



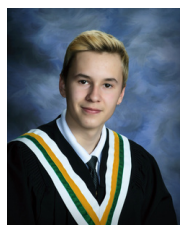
**Lukas Grajciar**  
Merit Award  
Laureate Award



**Tyler Heese**



**Toriana Hiebert**



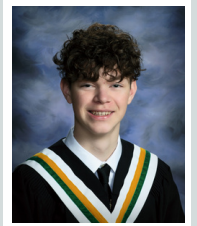
**Zachary Hildebrand**



**Emily Hill**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award  
 Visual Arts Award  
 Access Credit Union Award \$500  
 U of M Entrance Scholarship \$2000



**Feylin James**  
 Laureate Award  
 Music Award



**Jude Klassen**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award



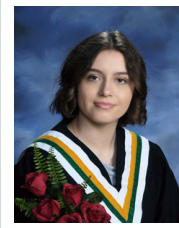
**Ethan Kroeker**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award



**Sergio Lozano**  
 Merit Award



**Aaron Martens**



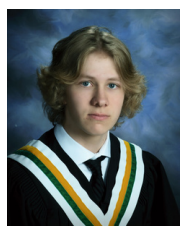
**Aganetha Martens**  
 Laureate Award



**Courtney McKay**



**Kruise Novak**  
 Merit Award



**Ethan Plett**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award



**Mason Rempel**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award  
 Clearview CO-OP Award \$750  
 Dennis Smook Citizenship Award \$200  
 Providence University College Entrance Scholarship \$500  
 Elim Mennonite Church Scholarship \$750



**Owen Rempel**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award



**Phillip Reutter**



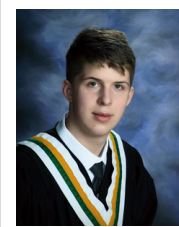
**Harold Sawatzky**



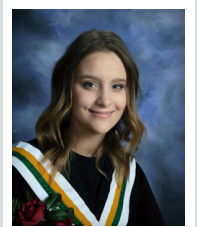
**Willy Sawatzky**  
 Merit Award



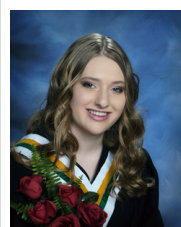
**Nicol Siemens Harder**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award  
 Humanities Award



**Wyatt Statham**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award  
 Grunthal Broiler Association Award \$1000  
 U of M Entrance Scholarship \$1000



**Jacey Toews**



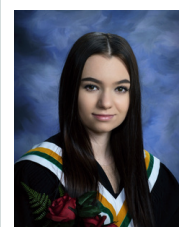
**Alyson Unger**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award



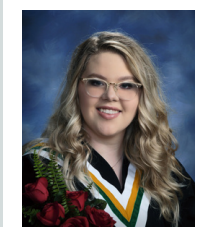
**Rachel Unrau**



**Joshua Wiebe**  
 Merit Award  
 Scotia Capital Graduation Award &  
 Scotia Capital Stay in School Award \$400



**Brianne Wiens**  
 Food & Nutrition Award



**Jaida Zarecki**  
 Merit Award  
 Laureate Award