Principal: Mrs. Angela Burtnack-Schinkel Vice Principal: Mr. Marlin Adrian



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

GREETINGS GVS SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

June has come and gone! Hard to believe we are saying farewell to our grads and a few staff members. June is a bittersweet time for our staff and students. We wish our grads all the best as they begin a new chapter in their lives. We also wish departing staff members all the best as they prepare to leave GVS. We wish Mr. Marlin Adrian, Mrs. Merle Mertins, Mr. Jonathan Kornelsen, Mrs. Tannis Bourgeois, Ms. Chantelle Horrl, Mrs. Sandi Toews, and all our term EA's the best in their future endeavors. You have each made significant contributions to our school community and for this, we salute you all for lives you have all impacted here at GVS.

This year was somewhat of a challenge on several different fronts, but we did it and we have our entire school community to thank for that. Our parents/guardians have been so incredibly supportive and patient. Ending the school year with learning excursions, talent shows, grade 5 orientation, outdoor pursuits and celebrating our grads of 2023, have truly made the end of the school year memorable and celebratory.

It is now time for our entire school community to take a much-needed break. Our staff and students have worked incredibly hard this year. We certainly appreciate the kindness, grace, and supportive emails, phone calls, and kind gestures that our parent community has extended to us through this entire year. We want to continue to build on these positive interactions, and we welcome our parent/guardian partnerships to become more involved here at GVS. If you are wanting to help with our GVS Breakfast Program, Friday Pizza Lunches, or to be a volunteer, PLEASE stop by the GVS Office before June 30th to pick up the necessary record check forms, so that we can welcome all parent volunteers to GVS for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. On the topic of volunteers, our GVS PAC would also like to welcome any parents that would be willing to join this advisory group. The group will meet once a month to discuss all things that are important to education and how it impacts our students. Parent voices are important, and we value the input our parent community has.

GVS would like to take this opportunity to thank our team out of HSD Student Services, ICT, Transportation, Maintenance departments, our HSD team of Superintendents and administrative office staff and the elected HSD School Board Trustees. We sincerely appreciate your dedication, expertise, and your passion for advocating for all students. We look forward to your continued support as we embark on the start of another exciting school year.

I cannot conclude our final newsletter without expressing my sincerest appreciation to our entire GVS Staff. I am blessed beyond measure to work with such dedicated, passionate, flexible, caring and highly professional individuals. No matter what tasks or challenges came our way, our staff worked hard and supported one another through some challenging times. Our staff are truly an amazing group of people.

In closing, I wish everyone a relaxing, rejuvenating, safe and healthy summer break. May your summer offer you the time to reconnect with family and friends. That's all folks.....until September, stay safe and well GVS FAMILY!!!

Website: www.gvs.hsd.ca Twitter: GrnValley

August 23 School Office Opens

September 5 Admin Day (No Classes)

> September 6 Great Expectations (Gr. 5 & 9 only)

September 7 First Day of Classes (Gr. 5-12)

REPORT CARDS

Students in grades 5-8 received a paper copy of their report card on June 29, It will also be on the Parent Portal June 30. High School students will not get a paper copy this report card but they are available on the Parent Portal.

SUPPLY LISTS

Your child's supply lists for the 2023-2024 school year have emailed to you on June 30, as well are posted on the school's website, www.gvs.hsd.ca.

COURSE CHANGES FOR 2023-24

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.

LIBRARY

Thanks to students, over 30,000 books were checked out this year! Way to go! Keep on reading over the summer and be ready for all the new books in September! Have a happy and safe summer.

CLASS PLACEMENTS FOR 2023-2024

Please note that students that are entering grades 6-8 at GVS for September will receive an email the last week in August about which homeroom they will be in.

Students entering grade 5, have already received that information as we have had multiple orientations for the new students entering GVS.

We are needing to refrain from sending out official class lists, as the class compositions are changing daily. We have new families moving in, we have previous students returning and we also have students moving out. As such, we need to assess all the learning needs of our students and create balanced classrooms based on the social/emotional and academic levels of our students.

Thank-you for your understanding and for your cooperation as we work hard to create positive, strong and balanced learning environments for our middle years' students.

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 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/arithmetic

Online Math Programs

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

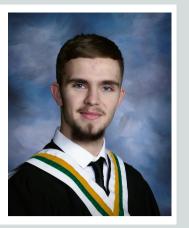
MIDDLE YEARS CHAT

In September, we are going to be making changes to our middle year's chat options for students. While having the chat open was a very useful feature during COVID, now it is more of a distraction for many of our students and is proving difficult to monitor. Consequently, this feature will be turned off over the summer. The chat and email feature are linked and as a result middle years students will not be able to email, send to or receive from anyone outside of divisional staff. Please note that if you used email or chat to communicate with your child, this feature will no longer be available. We would like to remind you that messages can still be left at the office and they will be passed onto your child.

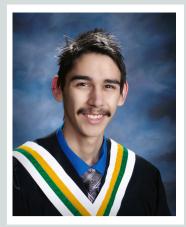
MOVING OR ADDRESS CHANGE

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.

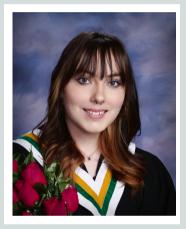




Hudson Barkman Merit Award Laureate Award



Dante Beaucage-Harper



Kayla Bellows Merit Award Laureate Award



Gaby Bergen Dueck Merit Award Laureate Award Grunthal Lumber Scholarship S1000



David Boonstoppel



Carter Braun Merit Award



Nash Braun Merit Award Laureate Award Grunthal Lions Club Scholarship \$1000



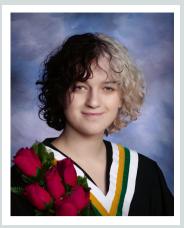
Stella Buhler Siemens



Sophia Driedger Merit Award



Abigail Fast Grunthal Ministerial Award \$750



Miriam Fast Merit Award Laureate Award Humanities Award UM Queen Elizabeth Entrance Scholarship S3000 UM Chown Centennial Scholarship S1000 Governor General's Academic Medal



Jared Friesen Merit Award



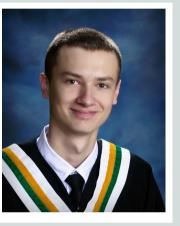
Maddison Friesen Merit Award Laureate Award HTA Scholarship S1000 Varsity Female Athlete of the Year Providence Entrance Scholarship S3000 Providence Alumni Scholarship S500 John Driedger Scholarship S750



Shoreh Friesen Merit Award



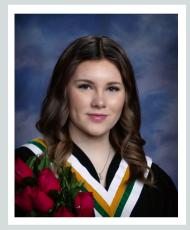
Kaveri Froese



Ethan Giesbrecht Merit Award Laureate Award Varsity Male Athelete of the Year



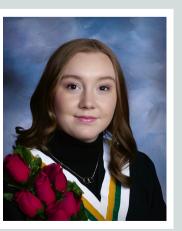
Everett Hiebert Merit Award Laureate Award



Lauren Isaak Merit Award



Avalia James



Grace Janzen Merit Award



Justin Kroeker Merit Award Laureate Award



Evan Lapointe Laureate Award



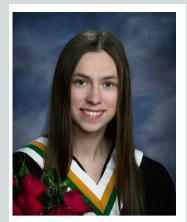
Christian Martens Merit Award



Isaak Martens Brawn



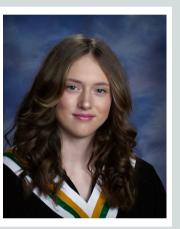
Katelynn Olfert



Cierra Penner Merit Award Laureate Award Senior Years Art Award



Carter Peters Merit Award Laureate Award



Jorgia Plett Merit Award Laureate Award



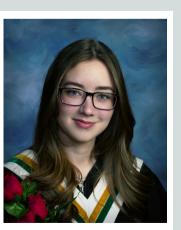
Malachi Reimer Laureate Award Drama Award Music Award



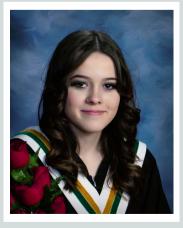
Morgan Rempel Merit Award



Nicholas Reutter



Bertha Sawatzky Merit Award Laureate Award



Shaylee Schellenberg



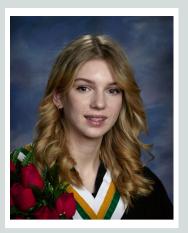
Jennifer Schroeder



Norbert Siemens Harder Merit Award Math/Science Award UM Queen Elizabeth Entrance Scholarship \$3000



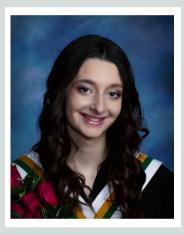
Melina Spiertz Merit Award Laureate Award Dennis Smook Citizenship Award S200



Niamh Steeves Merit Award Clearview CO-OP Award \$750



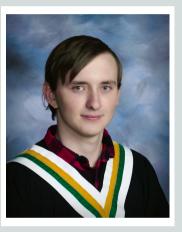
Sinead Steeves Merit Award Laureate Award



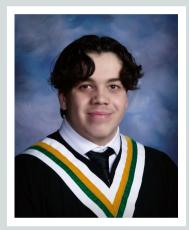
Jazlyn Unger Merit Award Laureate Award



Brooke Unrau Merit Award Laureate Award



Marco Wiese Laureate Award



Enrico Winkler

