

GREEN VALLEY SCHOOL



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Welcome to Spring 2024! Even though we haven't had "spring-like," weather, the added time of daylight and warmer days have added bonuses to the arrival of Spring.

During the months of February and March, GVS celebrated literacy with "I Love to Read," month in February and in March, we celebrated numeracy at GVS with "Everyone Counts." Staff and students were able to still participate in some fun activities that allowed us to recognize the importance of increasing our literacy and numeracy skills. THANKS to Mrs. Tracey Friesen, Ms. Tiffany Bergen and Mrs. Maria Friesen for their extra efforts in planning these activities.

GVS would like to welcome three new EA's to our amazing EA team: Ms. Heather Brooks, Ms. Michelle Schmidt, and Mr. Malachi Reimer. They have become remarkable additions to our team and we wish them much success here at GVS.

GVS would like to take this opportunity to send out a HUGE thank-you to all our basketball coaches, scorekeepers and referees. GVS students came out with such enthusiasm for this year's basketball season. We would also like to acknowledge the accomplishments of our junior varsity and senior varsity boys' basketball teams this year. They both qualified to participate in the provincial play-offs. Our teams along with their coaches, Mike Braun, Jon Rempel and Evan Friesen were fan favourites during both competitions. The teams did a fantastic job being representatives of GVS.

THANK-YOU to all the parents that came out to our Learning Expo on Thursday March 21st . It was a great turn-out and our students enjoyed celebrating and showcasing their learning.

We wish our GVS community a safe, enjoyable and relaxing month.

-Angela Burtnack-Schinkel

Dates to Remember

- ✿ APRIL 11TH - GR 9 ORIENTATION
- ✿ APRIL 15TH - ADMIN DAY/NO CLASSES
- ✿ APRIL 19TH - SY REPORT CARDS ISSUED
- ✿ APRIL 25TH - SY PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS



Numeracy Week Wrapped Up!

The winner of the jelly beans in the "Guess How Many Candies" jar was Ashe in 7KR.

He was only 3 off the actual amount of candies in the jar!

We had a great week of celebrating Math. Students played games, solved riddles, problems, and puzzles. Math was not just happening in Math class, how awesome! You may have seen some of the Art at the Learning Expo. Thank you to all those who participated. At GVS everyone counts!

High School Students and Courses for Next Year

Course registration will begin soon. Students should take the time to plan what courses they hope to take next year.

Go to our school website and take a look at the course descriptions.

You can read about compulsory subjects and elective subjects for each grade.

You can find them under the Students tab and then click [Course Registration](#).

Another thing students can do is to talk to their current teachers about courses they could take next year. Teachers have good information and could give students some good advice.

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Grade 9 Orientation

All current grade 8 students and their parents are invited to the grade 9 Orientation evening occurring on April 11th at 6:30pm. Students will hear about the benefits and expectations of high school and will also be able to choose their courses. It is important that all grade 8 students attend this event.

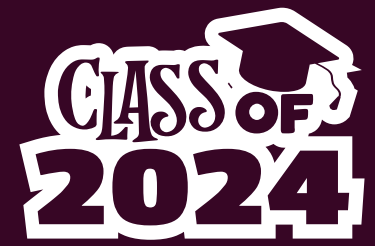
A total solar eclipse is set to occur on April 8, 2024, between approximately noon and 3pm Central Standard Time, spanning from Southern Ontario to Newfoundland and Labrador, with the rest of Canada experiencing a partial eclipse. Manitoba will experience an approximate 50 percent occlusion eclipse.

This is an awe-inspiring event that will draw the gaze of people; however, there is a risk of permanent vision damage if proper precautions are not taken. Even a brief look at the partially eclipsed sun can result in permanent damage.

Please visit the HSD Website [HERE](#) for more information on Safety Measures and Viewing Guidelines.



CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR GRAD INFORMATION
[HTTPS://GVS.HSD.CA/GRAD-2024/](https://gvs.hsd.ca/grad-2024/)



High School Spring Dance

Spring Dance for high school students coming May 2nd!

Tickets will go on sale at the end of April.



Students in Grades 9-12 now have the ability to log in to PowerSchool via the Student Portal.

They will have access to important information such as:

- Class Schedules
- Course Enrollments
- Current Grades & Assignment
- School Fees
- Report Cards
- Graduation Progress

Students can access their accounts by going to the Google Workspace page & clicking "PS - Students"

If you have any questions, please contact Mr Hardern

A screenshot of the PowerSchool SIS Student Sign In form. The form has a blue header with the PowerSchool SIS logo and the text "PowerSchool SIS". Below the header, the text "Student Sign In" is displayed. There are three input fields: "Sign In" (a button), "Username", and "Password".



Basketball

The 2023-2024 basketball season has come to a successful end!

Our JV Boys won the Zone 13 Basketball Championship over Gab Roy, securing them a spot in Provincials. The boys finished Provincials with 3 wins and 1 loss, on route to a Consolation Championship. A big thank-you to Mike Braun for coaching our JV Boys this season!

The Varsity Boys basketball team won their Provincial Qualifier against Springs Christian to secure them a spot at Provincials. The boys went into Provincials ranked # 3.

At Provincials, the boys defeated both Carberry and Lac du Bonnet, making it to the finals and securing the first ever Provincial basketball banner in Green Valley history! The boys were defeated by a very strong Gab Roy team in the finals. A big thanks to Jon Rempel and Evan Friesen for coaching our Varsity Boys team this season!

Badminton

High School badminton has started, with the completion of the first set of tournaments in St. Pierre the week before Spring Break. The team will continue to practice Monday at Noon, as well as Thursdays, 4-5:30 @ South Oaks.

The following is a complete schedule of tournaments, including South Zone and Full Zone

- March 19 (JV) March 20 (Varsity): tournament @ St. Pierre (Ecole Heritage & Rheal Berard Schools)
- April 2 (JV) April 3 (Varsity): tournament @ Ste. Anne (Pointe des Chenes and Ste. Anne Collegiate)
- April 9 (JV) April 10 (Varsity): tournament @ St. Pierre (Ecole Heritage and Rheal Berard Schools)
- April 16 (JV) April 17 (Varsity): South Playoffs @ Steinbach Regional
- April 23rd (JV and Varsity) Zone's @ Niverville (Niverville Community Recreation Resource Center)

All tournaments will run from 5:00-8:30 pm, with the exception of zones which will run during the school day.

Baseball and Fastpitch

High School baseball and fastpitch season is coming! Sign-ups will be up until April 3rd.

Volleyball Next Season

We are currently searching for head coaches, as well as assistant coaches for our volleyball teams. If you or someone you know is interested in head coaching, or helping coach, please contact Justin Hart (juhart@hsd.ca, (204) 434-6415).

We are looking for all JV and Varsity boys and girls teams.

For all game and tournament results and current rankings please visit www.mhsaa.ca.

For a schedule of practices, tournaments and upcoming games, please visit the Athletics calendar at www.gvs.hsd.ca.



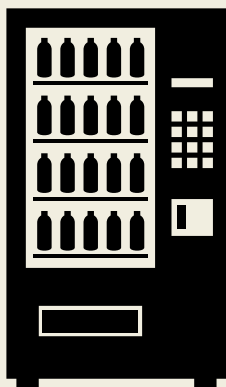
Basketball season came to an end with our Grade 8 girls losing a close one in the finals to Blumenort for the small schools banner. The Grade 8 boys finished in 4th place and lost a nailbiter to SCS in the quarter finals. Our Grade 7 girls team joined up with Kleefeld to have a successful season and our Grade 7 boys teams, with more than 20 players, have a promising future. This could be the next wave of players that will play for banners like our varsity team did this season.

Badminton practices are ongoing. The Grade 7's coached by Mr. Hill practice on Mondays and Wednesdays while the Grade 8's coached by Mr. Winter and Randy Fast are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All practices are from 4 - 5:15 and are at GVS.

Tournaments for April 10th and 17th are being organized leading into the Hanover tournament which will be held on Tuesday April 23rd in Steinbach. Good luck to all our players.

We are very pleased to offer Green Valley Pirate Pridewear through our online store! The store offers a wide range of wear including Hats, Hoodies, T-Shirts, Sweatpants, bags from brands such as Under Armour, Champion and Russell.

You can check out the wear at greenvalleyschool.entripyshops.com or follow the link on our website. All orders are completed and paid for online and can ship right to your door or to the school for pickup.



The new vending machine is here!

**It is stocked with a variety of
Pepsi products.**

Prices range from \$2.00 to \$2.75

Attendance Procedures

Please let us know when your child will be absent from school, for any reason:

Phone: (204) 434-6415

Email: gvs@hsd.ca

Through the HSD Parent Portal

*if your child is absent from school and the office has not been notified, you may receive an automated telephone message & email asking you to contact the school