

Gordon Happenings Oct. 16, 2025

Dear Families,

Parking Information

Please take careful note that Bayswater Street in front of the school has parking regulations that state parking is ok between 8am and 5pm for 3 minutes. That is a short amount of time, just enough for families to safely stop and let out their child(ren) and then pull away. 3 minutes is not intended to be a long enough time for the driver to get out of the car. It is very important that we respect the 3 minutes so that all families can access the space to safely drop off their kids. If you need to stop for longer than 3 minutes, please find a legal spot somewhere else to do so. I really appreciate your cooperation in following municipal parking regulations so that everyone can have a safe and happy drop-off/pick up time.

Gear Swap

Just a reminder that you are welcome to come to the gym and join us for our gear swap tomorrow, Friday, Oct. 17 from 2:30 – 3:30pm. For \$5 per item, you can purchase some gently used items for your family. This is a great way to get a jacket or other item for a reasonable price just in time for winter. It's a win-win for the environment too, as we are keeping items out of landfills and garbage.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences are happening next week with early dismissal at 2pm on Oct. 21 & Oct. 22. Please add a reminder to your calendars to ensure your children are picked up on time each day. Teachers have sent home the conference forms for each family. Please reach out directly to your child's teacher if this form has not been received, and you have not received confirmation of your meeting by the end of Friday.

Scholastic Book Fair

The Gordon Library will be having a Scholastic Book Fair next week during parent teacher conferences, on October 21 and 22! Students will get a chance to view the options during the school day, but all purchases will take place with parents after dismissal, from 2:00-6:00. We hope to see you there! All purchases directly benefit the school library! Ms. Macdonald is looking for volunteers to help with the book fair! If you are available for a shift between 2:00 and 6:00 on Oct 21 or 22, please email her directly at kmacdonald@vsb.bc.ca

Lost and Found

While you are visiting our school, please make sure you check out our lost and found. It is overflowing and we will be sending items to a good home if you have not picked them up by Oct. 24, 2025.

Earthquake Drill

Our Earthquake Drill went well, and we thank all the parents who participated by picking up your children early, to test our systems. Just a reminder that to pick up your child you need to have the Emergency Student Authorization form (long yellow form) filled out which must include ALL adults that have permission to pick up. You also need to arrive with picture ID. We cannot legally release students to adults who are not on this form. If you need to amend it, please come to the office and we can help you with this.

Parent Advisory Council

This is just a friendly reminder that all parents are part of our Parent Advisory Council. P.A.C. holds many fun events throughout the year and is always looking for more parental engagements. Make sure you check out their website at <https://www.gordonpac.com/> to keep up to date on all the events.

Yours at Gordon;

Stephen Leung, Principal & Pawan Sumra, Vice Principal