



# Monday Maverick

Tue. Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fri. Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>

Looking to plan ahead? You can find our community calendar on the GMS website or [CLICK HERE](#) to view

## THIS WEEK...

<b>Mon. Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	o Pro-D Day – no school for students
<b>Tues. Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	o Music Parent Meeting – 6:30pm
<b>Wed. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup></b>	o Sign Up for Parent Teacher Conferences Opens o <b>Hot Lunch - Subway</b>
<b>Thurs. Sept. 25<sup>th</sup></b>	o Picture Day – photos in the morning
<b>Fri. Sept. 26<sup>th</sup></b>	o <b>Hot Lunch - Pizza</b>

## Mark Your Calendars...



Sept 29<sup>th</sup> – Orange Shirt Day & Assembly

Sept 30<sup>th</sup> – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – no school

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> – P/T Conferences – early dismissal; C4C Head Shave & Bike Ride

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> – P/T Conferences – early dismissal

Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> – Tour de Rock; Mini X

The Fine Arts, Clubs, Athletics Calendar in the Google Drive is updated regularly

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW CALENDAR](#)

It is also located on the GMS website

## TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION WEEK

2025 marks the 10th anniversary of the TRC's Final Report and 94 Calls to Action, a critical reminder of both the progress that has been made and the urgent work that remains. This week we will be sharing teachings, considering the Calls to Action, learning through reading, viewing and reflecting.

On Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup> we will hold an Orange Shirt Day assembly where we will gift the drums made by parents, staff and supported by students last year. If you were a parent who made a drum please reach out to Vicki for details about the assembly. An email will come as well.

### **Community Coaches Needed!**

We have a large athletics program at *GMS*. It runs with the help of staff and outside coaches. We are looking for coaches with some experience. Is that you, or someone you know? Email- [bgage@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:bgage@sd61.bc.ca)

### **Drop Off and Pick Up**

We need your help to keep *GMS* safe. Please only use the pull through for drop off/pick up or park along the street. Please **do not** go into the Glanford St or Judah St parking lots.

### **Student Pack Up**

Please review, sign and return the student verification forms that came home. Even if there are no changes, we need that form returned.

### **School Fees**

To align with SD61 Middle Schools we will have 2 school fees this year. Please see note in forms that went home. Fees can be paid online at School Cash online.

Locker deposit - \$10

Book and Tech deposit - \$25

No student will be denied access to learning.

### **Bikes and Scooters**

It is great to see so many students riding to school. Thanks to our PAC and hot lunch sales we have wonderful new bike racks at the front of the school. All students are responsible for locking their bikes. We cannot be responsible for unlocked bikes or scooters. We have noticed an increase in electric scooters and would like to remind families that there are regulations around ages and use. Please see [this link](#) and [this link](#) for more information. If you still choose for your child to ride an electric scooter, know that it must be locked up outside. We will not be storing them inside.

Finally, for safety, all students are to get off their bike or scooter on school property when arriving or leaving. Thank you for your help reviewing this with your child.



FOLLOW US on our **NEW** Glanford Instagram account. Where we will share reminders, information, and celebrations!

@glanford\_middle

Our *GMS* PAC has a Facebook page - Glanford Middle School PAC. Check it out!



**ALL SD61 PARENTS & STUDENTS**

**YOU ARE INVITED!**

# VCPAC FALL SOCIAL TOWNHALL



Connect with Other Parents & PAC Members, Learn About Upcoming Initiatives, Share Your Voice & Enjoy Some Refreshments



**Special Appearance by Trustee Sherri Bell**



**Thursday  
SEP 25, 2025**



**6:30 PM -  
8:30 PM**



**Lansdowne Middle School Library  
1765 Lansdowne Rd, Victoria**



Register Now (Not Required, but appreciated)  
<https://forms.gle/Hy2CUpJkJR4bqT7A6>

Join Online (Hybrid presentation portion)  
<https://meet.google.com/owi-uxgn-ove>



[www.vcpac.ca](http://www.vcpac.ca)



[info@vcpac.ca](mailto:info@vcpac.ca)





## Youth Leadership Club (Ages 10–15)

Called "adventure with intention," WEA's Youth Leadership Club helps youth ages 10–15 build confidence, teamwork, and practical outdoor skills—all while meeting weekly behind Beaver Lake. Participants gain hands-on experience planning and leading trips, preparing meals, and exploring the outdoors through fun wilderness activities

### Program Highlights:

**Tuesday Evening Program (Ages 11–15)**  
Runs September to June, 5:45–8:30 pm

**Trial Session Available** - test-drive one or more weekly meetings or trips before committing!

**Convenient Location & Access** - meet behind Beaver Lake; carpooling and transportation support are offered to ease access for families

**Leadership In Action** - develop confidence, resilience, real-world logistical skills, and adventure savvy

**Flexible Registration** - choose from partial, full-time, or on-call options to fit your family's schedule

### Program Information

[www.westernadventures.ca/school-year-programs.htm](http://www.westernadventures.ca/school-year-programs.htm)

### Special Feature:

One spring, our youth took on the iconic **West Coast Trail** - a rugged, 75 km backcountry route spanning 6–8 days. With over 100 ladders, mud, river crossings, and coastal weather, it challenged even experienced hikers. It was a powerful way for participants to put their leadership and teamwork into practice in a breathtaking wilderness setting.

Scan QR for Trial Trip Dates and Descriptions



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## School Year Programs

Keep your children & teens active during the school year in Victoria BC & on Vancouver Island! Western Educational Adventures (WEA) offers spring break camps in Victoria & Sooke, an outdoor after school outdoor fitness program, Pro-D Day camps, a Tofino surf camp weekend & a teen leadership program in and around Greater Victoria, B.C.

### 2025 Fall Pro-D Day Camps

Our Classic Pro-D Day Camps are back this fall - registration is open! Designed for kids ages 7-13, these one-day adventures get youth outdoors hiking, geocaching, learning survival skills, and practicing wilderness navigation. Small group sizes, qualified instructors, and transportation options make it easy for families.

Upcoming sessions include hikes, survival skills, and navigation days. Cost ranges from \$95-\$125 per day (transportation & tax included), and financial assistance is available.

#### DATES:

September 22, 2025  
October 24, 2025  
November 21, 2025

Ages: 6-13



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### 2026 Spring Break Camp

Make this Spring Break an adventure! WEA's outdoor day camps in Victoria keep kids active, learning, and having fun with canoeing, hiking, archery, fire-building, camp cooking, geocaching, and plenty of games and crafts.

Each day offers a new mix of activities designed to build confidence, teamwork, and practical outdoor skills - kids gain so much without even realizing they're learning. Transportation is included, and financial assistance may be available.

#### DATES:

March 16-20, 2026  
March 23-27, 2026

Ages: 6-12



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