George Waters Middle School

Notes from the Office

November 2026

Important Dates

November 2 - Atomic Volleyball Tournament #2 (Sport for Life)- 9am
November 3 – Early Dismissal/Celebration of Learning
November 10 – Remembrance Day Service @ 11 AM- SJCI GYM
November 11 – Remembrance Day – No School
November 12 – Tier 2 Final Tournament (hosting)-4:15-9:00
November 13 – Inservice (no school /Admin Day)
November 17 – Early dismissal - URIS
November 18 – Picture Retakes
November 18/23- Tier 1 Volleyball Playoffs Round Robin 4:00-9:00
November 20 – Mobile Vision Clinic, Pizza Sale Fundraiser
November 25- Tier 1 Volleyball Semis/Finals
November 25 – Report Cards Sent Home
November 19 - 28– SJCI Musical in GWMS Gym
November 30-Dec 2 – Bake Sale Fundraiser

Dear Shark Families,

October was a busy and activity-filled month for our students. Our volleyball teams showed tremendous growth in the league and tournament games and their kindness and teamwork really shone through. Our West Wind Waters group had their initial meeting and we were pleasantly surprised by the large amount of students who showed up and it made us realize we would need to split into a Grade6/7 Club and a Grade 8 Club. Our academic programming in all subject areas is well underway, and we are already approaching first term report cards, so our teachers and students will be working hard to cover all of the content and outcomes. Our Spirit Week was another success with many students participating in the daily themes culminating in a fun Halloween dance to end the month.

This coming month, we look forward to seeing our families for our *Celebration of Learning* evening and we begin preparing for our fundraising activities for the holiday season. We also will have our Mobile Vision clinic as well as picture retakes. As the weather is now getting colder, please remind students to dress for the weather!

Our provincial cell phone policy is in place, and we strongly encourage that phones stay at home or in lockers during school hours and that all parents/guardians closely monitor their child's social media accounts.

Student Safety and Professional Boundaries

St. James-Assiniboia School Division is committed to providing safe, caring, and inclusive schools. Policy GBEB establishes expectations for appropriate interactions between students and adults working within the Division. Students who experience, witness, or become aware of conduct that may be inappropriate are encouraged to report concerns to a teacher, counsellor, principal, vice-principal, parent/caregiver, or another trusted adult. All concerns will be taken seriously and addressed appropriately.

Child Protection and Professional Boundaries

The Division maintains Policy GBEB: Code of Conduct for Child Protection to support safe, respectful, and professional relationships between students and adults who work or volunteer in our schools. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to review the full policy on the Division website and report any concerns regarding student safety or professional boundaries to their school principal or the Superintendent's Office.

Each month, we will send home notes from the office where we will outline some activities that our school has taken part in during the month. We will also highlight some upcoming important dates. Please ensure that you are following our Instagram page for snapshots of the learning happening in our classrooms. **(@georgewatersms**)

As always, please reach out to us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mr. R. Miller



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