



George Waters Middle School

Notes from the Office

October 2026

Dear Shark Families,

It has been a smooth transition back into school life and we have appreciated our family and parent support as we work together to keep our students accountable and responsible for their behaviour and work ethic throughout the year. Our new staff members have settled in, and our routines, rules and expectations are starting to develop.

Our cross-country programming started immediately, and our students showed well in our local meets and divisional meet at Beaudry Park. Our volleyball teams are determined, and we had our first T1 Girls tournament where our positivity and teamwork was on full display. The seasons are starting now, and we look forward to seeing our skills develop in our upcoming games and tournaments. Our band and arts programming, as well as multiple clubs are now up and running and we anticipate our students getting involved and sharing their interests and talents in our school. We held our annual Terry Fox assembly and walk and have already surpassed our fundraising goal of \$2500. We experienced valuable lessons and activities during our TRC Week and encouraged students and staff to wear **Orange** to honour the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation**.

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.

Important Dates

October 2/3 – T1 Girls Tournament Waterford
October 5 – Atomic Volleyball Tournament #1 (Sport for Life)
October 5-6 – Divisional Junior Choir Camp
October 6 -Early Dismissal, Parent Advisory AGM (Library)
October 8- Tier 2 Volleyball Preseason Tournament (GW hosting)
October 12 – Thanksgiving Day – No School
October 17 - Terry Fox Fundraising Assembly (AM), T1 Boys tournament Hedges
October 20 – Early Dismissal
October 23 – Inservice –MTS PD Day- No School
October 24 – Tier 1 Girls Volleyball home Tournament (GWMS/SJCI)
October 26 – Immunizations (AM)
October 28- Inservice-No School (Election)
October 30 – Halloween Dance

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Miller', with a stylized, flowing script.

Principal

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