

Gordon Greenwood Elementary School

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| Date | Upcoming Events | |
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| Oct. 13 | Thanksgiving Day (School Closed) | |
| Oct. 14 | PAC Meeting 6:30 in the Library | |
| Oct. 16 | Terry Fox Run | |
| Oct. 22 | In School Pumpkin Patch | |
| Oct. 29 | Individual Photo Retakes | |

Happy Thanksgiving!

Dear Gordon Greenwood, Elementary Family,

On behalf of our staff at Gordon Greenwood Elementary, we hope that you are able to find rest and comfort over the Thanksgiving long weekend. Thank you for continuing to entrust our staff with your children as we are so thankful to have the opportunity to help support the academic and social emotional development of your children.

Alan Joo

Thankful to be the Principal at Gordon Greenwood Elementary

Halloween Costumes:

It is hard to believe that we are in the month of October. We know that some of our families may be looking into costumes, and we wanted to share some information. Halloween is on Friday, October 31st and we remind our families regarding costumes, students are not to bring any accessories that involve weapons. Students can bring a mask, but this will only be worn during our costume parade. It is important to be mindful of appropriate school costumes as well. We also recognize that not all our students will want to wear a costume. Students also have the choice to wear black or orange on October 31st.

Gordon Greenwood Elementary Terry Fox Run: October 16th



Our school is proud to play an important role in supporting cancer research. Through our participation in the Terry Fox School Run, we hope to encourage leadership in our students and create positive agents of change in our wonderful school community. Last year we raised over \$1,700 thanks to your donations.

On Thursday, October 16, 2025 our students will be taking part in the annual Terry Fox School Run. Our fundraising goal this year is \$1,200. If every student brought \$2, we would already have over \$600.

How to donate:

- 1. Bring in toonies or other money next week and the following week.
- 2. Donate through school cash online
- 3. Donate through GGE's account on the Terry Fox website. https://schools.terryfox.ca/100458

Directions to donate through the Terry Fox Website:

- 1. go to www.terrryfox.org
- 2. click "Terry Fox School Run"
- 3. click "Donate to a Student/School" in the top right corner
- 4. Enter Gordon Greenwood Elementary in the search and follow the prompts to donate.
 - 5. It's fast, easy and donors get a receipt immediately by email.

We are very excited to be a part of this year's Terry Fox Run. This is our opportunity to make a difference in the lives of those suffering from cancer. We hope you will join us as our school community bands together in the fight against cancer. Thank you in advance for your support!

Remembrance Day

During the week of November 11th, we will be recognizing Remembrance Day at our school. Remembrance Day is a Canadian holiday on November 11th. Remembrance Day is not a celebration but rather a time for us to reflect, recognize, and honour the sacrifices made by Canadians who fought for our freedoms. During our assembly, we are hoping to

specifically honour those who have served or are serving in the Canadian military who have connections to our school community. We are asking for photos of those family members or family friends of students and staff who have served. We ask that you send an email with the **photo**, soldiers name, when they served, and how they are connected to our school (ex. grandpa of student name, aunt of student name, friend of student name). If you sent in photos last year you do not need to send them in again unless you want to update the information. These will be used in our assembly presentation to showcase the connections Remembrance Day has to our school community. If you do not have a digital copy, feel free to drop off a picture at the office to be scanned and returned to you. If you have a digital copy, please send them to Mrs. Morrison at rlittler@sd35.bc.ca Photos and information are due by October 24th.

Volleyball Coaching Volunteers Needed

The volleyball season is right around the corner, and we are looking for coaches to help with our teams. We have a gr 6 team and a gr 7 team. Please contact Ms. Yoon (eyoon@sd35.bc.ca) if you know someone who wants to coach our GECKOS!

Cutlery

Please remember to send a spoon or fork if your child needs one for their lunch or snack. We have a very limited emergency supply in the office.

Wet & Rainy Weather:

As the weather is changing, please ensure your child has proper footwear and clothing in case of rain/cooler weather. If possible, a change of clothing including socks and gym runners should be stored at school or in your child's backpack in case of puddle encounters.

School District #35 (Langley) 2025-2026 School Calendar

Elementary Schools

| MONTH | DATE | |
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| | Sep 1 (M) | Labour Day (School Closed) |
| September | Sep 2 (T) | School Opens |
| | Sep 29 (M) | School Improvement Day (Students not in attendance) |
| | Sep 30 (T) | National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed) |
| 0 | Oct 13 (M) | Thanksgiving (School Closed) |
| October | Oct 24 (F) | Professional Development Day (Provincial - Students not in attendance) |
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| | Nov 10 (M) | Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students not in attendance) |
| | Nov 11 (T) | Remembrance Day (School Closed) |
| November | Nov 26 (W) | Student Inclusive Conferences |
| | Nov 27 (Th) | 2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences |
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| December | Dec 19 (F) | Last Day Prior to Winter Break |
| January | Jan 5 (M) | School Re-Opens After Winter Break |
| | Feb 9 (M) | Professional Development Day (District - Students not in attendance) |
| February | Feb 13 (F) | Design & Assessment Day / Learning Update Prep (Students not in attendance) |
| | Feb 16 (M) | Family Day (School Closed) |
| | Mar 4 (W) | 2 Hour Early Dismissal - Student Inclusive Conferences |
| | Mar 5 (Th) | Student Inclusive Conferences |
| March | Mar 13 (F) | Last Day Prior to Spring Break |
| | Mar 30 (M) | School Re-Opens After Spring Break |
| | Ans 2 (F) | Good Friday (School Closed) |
| April | Apr 3 (F) | Easter Monday (School Closed) |
| | Apr 6 (M) | Easter Monady (School Closed) |
| Mau | May 15 (F) | Professional Development Day (District - Students not in attendance) |
| May | May 18 (M) | Victoria Day (School Closed) |
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| June | Jun 25 (Th) | Final Learning Update & Last Day for Students Prior to Summer Vacation |
| | Jun 26 (F) | Administrative Day (Students not in attendance) |
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APPROVED: SD35 Board of Education Meeting April 29, 2025

Lunch Program:

This year, Gordon Greenwood is partnering with the BC Feeding Futures Program and the National School Food Program to offer Daily Meal Service to ALL students.

Langley School District has chosen The Lunch Lady to deliver this program to all elementary and middle schools in the District.

The Details

Service at our school will begin on Wednesday, October 1st. Everyone is welcome to participate.

- · Hot lunch will be available every Wednesday
- · Cold lunch will be available the remaining days
- · There will be no service on PAC lunch days
- · Every day there will be a regular, vegetarian and halal friendly option.
- · Order as little or as often as you wish

A new menu is available each month – See menu for October below.

Regular Program

Ordering is Easy! Visit www.thelunchlady.ca and click ORDER NOW. Register for a new account (just login if you already have an account with us from another school)

Add your students at this location

Each wholesome, balanced meal is \$5.75. Order as often—or as little—as you like.

At checkout, you'll also have the option to add a voluntary contribution to support the Feeding Futures Program.

Pay-What-You-Can Program through Feeding Futures

The Lunch Program is available for everyone. While there is no requirement to pay for the meal, parents have the opportunity to contribute through our Pay-What-You-Can option at checkout.

To participate in this program, please contact the school office before placing your first order. The school office will provide you with a one-time code to set up your account Please note, subsidy status is strictly confidential. All meals are prepared and served together—there is no difference in how they look or are delivered.

Ordering Deadlines

We recommend placing your orders by 8:00 a.m. on the Thursday prior for the following week. However, you can place/ change or cancel orders for any day online with at least 2 business days' notice (e.g.,

by 8:00 a.m. Tuesday for Thursday delivery), Unfortunately, we cannot accept last minute orders, changes or cancellations. Any uncollected lunches will be left with the office to use as needed.

Helpful Reminders

- · Allergy Safety: Lunch Lady kitchens are peanut and tree nut–free. For other dietary needs, please review the nutrition and allergen panels found with each meal online. If your child has allergies, please reach out directly to your Lunch Lady for support.
- · Lunch Tips: Consider sending a leak-proof bag for leftovers and pack reusable cutlery from home.

· Need Help? If you have difficulty placing an order or need assistance with your account, please contact your Lunch Lady.

Questions? The Lunch Lady is here to help! Your Lunch Lady Team Jennifer@thelunchlady.ca

October 2025

This lunch program is for EVERYONE!

To order go to thelunchlady.ca – Order Now to login or register for an account. Each meal is \$5.75

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| Week 3 | Monday 10/13 | Tuesday 10/14 | HOT Wednesday 10/15 | Thursday 10/16 | Friday 10/17 |
| Regular | Thanksgiving Day | Turkey Deli Submarine with Tomato and Lettuce Side Sliced Pickles | Turkey Dinner (Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Corn, and Gravy) Seasonal Fruit | Chicken Caesar Salad & Garlic Bread Fruit of the Day | Tuna Salad Sandwich Baby Carrots and Dip Apple Sauce |
| Vegetarian | Thanksgiving Day | Tomato Cheese Lettuce Submarine Side Sliced Pickles | Veggie <u>Chick'n</u> Dinner (Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Corn, and Brown Gravy) Seasonal Fruit | Veggie Cobb Salad & Garlic Bread Fruit of the Day | Egg Salad Sandwich Baby Carrots and Dip Apple Sauce |
| Halal Friendly | Thanksgiving Day | Chicken Deli Submarine with Tomato and Lettuce Side Sliced Pickles | Halal Chicken Dinner (Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Corn, and Gravy) Seasonal Fruit | Halal Chicken Ranch Salad & Garlic Bread Fruit of the Day | Tuna Salad Sandwich Baby Carrots and Dip Apple Sauce |

Seasonal Fruit

| Week 4 | Monday 10/20 | Tuesday 10/21 | HOT Wednesday 10/22 | Thursday 10/23 | Friday 10/24 |
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| Regular | Summer Chicken Pasta Salad Fruit of the Day | Turkey Deli Sandwich with Cheese and Lettuce Apple Sauce | Macaroni and Cheese Mini Garden Side Salad Salad Dressing | Farmer's Fruit and Veggie Plate Chicken Nuggets Crackers | No Service |
| Vegetarian | Summer Chickpea Pasta Salad Fruit of the Day | Cheese, Tomato, and Lettuce Sandwich Apple Sauce | Macaroni and Cheese Mini Garden Side Salad Salad Dressing | Farmer's Fruit and Veggie Plate Hummus Crackers | No Service |
| Halal Friendly | Summer Halal Chicken Pasta Salad Fruit of the Day | Halal Chicken Deli Sandwich with Cheese and Lettuce Apple Sauce | Halal Macaroni and Cheese Mini Garden Side Salad Salad Dressing | Farmer's Fruit and Veggie Plate Halal Chicken Nuggets Crackers | No Service |



You can Order/Change/Cancel online anytime with 2 business days' notice Sorry – no last- minute cancellations. Uncollected meals are given to the school office.

Questions? Need help? <u>jennifer@thelunchlady.ca</u>

theLunchLady.ca

October 2025

To order go to thelunchlady.ca – Order Now to login or register for an account. Each meal is \$5.75

| Week 5 | Monday 10/27 | Tuesday 10/28 | HOT Wednesday 10/29 | Thursday 10/30 | Friday 10/31 |
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| Regular | Mediterranean-Plate Hummus, Pita Cheese Fresh Veggies and Dip Apple Slices | Chicken Shawarma Wrap Fruit of the Day | Beef Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Gravy & Corn Fruit of the Day | Chicken Caesar Salad & Garlic Bread Fruit of the Day | Cold Pizza Plank Fresh Veggies and Dip Fruit of the Day |
| Vegetarian | Mediterranean-Plate Hummus, Pita Cheese Fresh Veggies and Dip Apple Slices | Falafel Wrap Fruit of the Day | Veggie Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Gravy & Corn Fruit of the Day | Veggie Cobb Salad & Garlic Bread Fruit of the Day | Cold Pizza Plank Fresh Veggies and Dip Fruit of the Day |
| Halal Friendly | Mediterranean-Plate Hummus, Pita Cheese Fresh Veggies and Dip Apple Slices | Halal Chicken Shawarma Wrap Fruit of the Day | Halal Beef Meatballs Mashed Potatoes Gravy & Corn Fruit of the Day | Halal Chicken Ranch Salad & Garlic Bread Fruit of the Day | Cold Pizza Plank Fresh Veggies and Dip Fruit of the Day |

<u>Programs of Choice - Deadline to Register is Monday, October 20th</u>

Langley School District offers a rich diversity of programs that are designed to meet the specific needs and interests of students. Programs include Fine Arts, French Immersion, Fundamental, Langley Environmental Awareness Program (outdoor education), Montessori, and UConnect. Registration for Kindergarten entry (for most programs) begins on **Monday, October 6th at 12 noon**, and closes on **Monday, October 20th at 12 noon**. For UConnect, please contact the school directly. For more information and instructions to register your child, visit our District website <u>here</u> and review our FAQ choice programs resource <u>here</u>.

Keep your children free from respiratory illnesses this winter

As the weather gets colder and we spend more time indoors, we're more likely to get sick with things like colds, flu or COVID-19 because these illnesses spread more easily in enclosed spaces.

Everyone should take these steps to protect themselves and limit the spread of respiratory illnesses:

- Get vaccinated for flu and COVID-19 if you are eligible.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use alcohol-based sanitizer if soap and water is not available.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, mouth and nose.
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow.
- If you have flu-like symptoms, stay home and away from people at higher risk of serious illness. If you are sick and cannot stay away from others, wear a mask. Learn more about masks here.

Vaccinations for respiratory illness

Vaccinations prepare our immune system to recognize and respond to viruses. When children get immunized, they are less likely to get sick or pass along illness to others and better able to focus on learning, playing and doing the activities they love.

Register your children with the <u>Get Vaccinated</u> system so you can be reminded to get flu or COVID-19 vaccinations when they are due. Seasonal respiratory vaccinations are available from pharmacies, public health units and some primary care providers.

School-aged immunizations

As children get older, the protection from some <u>infant immunizations</u> can wear off. To set young people up for long-term health and well-being, vaccines are offered routinely in kindergarten, grade 6 and grade 9 with catch-up opportunities in other grades. Getting your child vaccinated on schedule is one of the best ways to protect their health.

All routine school-aged immunizations are free in British Columbia. If your child is not up-to-date with their vaccines, please make an appointment with a public health unit, family doctor, nurse practitioner or pharmacy. If your child's record shows their vaccines are not current, but they did get vaccines from a health care provider outside of public health:

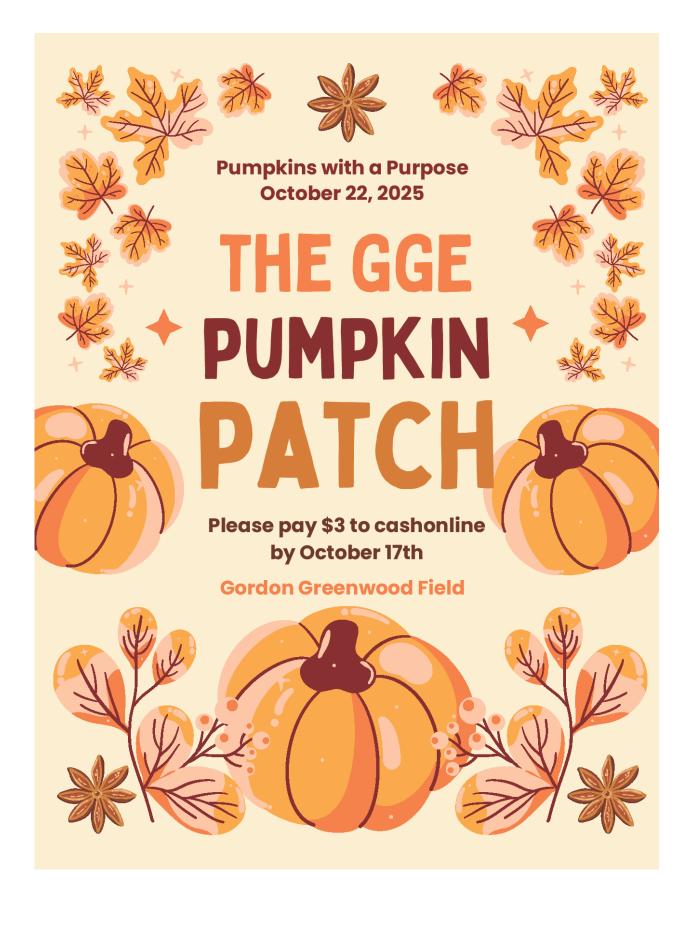
- Contact the health care provider who immunized your child and ask for a copy of the immunization record.
- Report these immunizations to Public Health online at: http://www.fraserhealth.ca/immunizationform

Learn more about school-aged immunizations, including how to access your child's records, here: <u>Children and youth immunizations – Fraser Health Authority</u>



Looking for an educational program
that will lead to opportunities for
employment, travel and more?
Late French Immersion may be the
perfect fit. For more information, join
the Langley School District information
online meeting on October 1, at 6 pm
with this QR code, or learn more at:
https://www.sd35.bc.ca/page/7449/late-french-immersion







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- •Fosters Creativity & Unique Artistic Expression
- •Encourages Creative Thought & Problem Solving

CLASS DATES: OCT.1 - DEC. 17/2025

WHEN: WEDNESDAYS at 2:40 PM - 3:40 PM

WHERE: THE SCHOOL Library

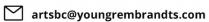
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Next PAC Meeting - TBA

PAC Facebook Link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/252372494939238

Get ready to show your school spirit! Our spirit wear sale is officially open. This year's collection features new designs and classic favorites, including hoodies, t-shirts, and hats. Don't miss your chance to grab some gear and represent our school. The store is open for a limited time, so place your order today!

https://www.9blocks.ca/gordongreenwoodspiritwear





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