



GORSEBROOK JUNIOR HIGH COMMUNITY MEMO

June 1st - 5th

*Please read below for the week's events and other school-related information

This is: [Week 1](#)

MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grab & Go Breakfast available ● Chess & Strategy Games @ 12pm - Room 210 ● Male-identifying Softball Practice @ 11:40am - Field ● GSA @ 12pm - Room 214 ● Female-identifying softball after school today. Bring your glove and a baseball cap!
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grade 7 Band Rehearsal @ 7:45-8:30am ● Grab & Go Breakfast available ● Male-identifying Softball Tournament @ Halifax Commons ● Debate Club @ 12pm - Room 222 ● French extra help @ 12pm - Room 211 ● Math Extra Help & Duke of Ed Help @ 12pm - Room 210 ● Female-identifying softball after school today. Bring your glove and a baseball cap!
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grab & Go Breakfast available ● String Ensemble @ 12pm - Band Room ● Talent Show Auditions @ 12pm - Band Room ● Library Open @ 12pm ● K-Pop Club @ 12pm - Room 109 ● Male-identifying Softball Practice @ 3pm - Field
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grade 8 Band Rehearsal @ 7:45-8:30am ● Grab & Go Breakfast available ● Violin Technique @ 11:40am - Band Room ● Library Open @ 12pm ● Musical Appreciation Club @ 12pm - Room 211 ● Female-identifying softball after school today. Bring your glove and a baseball cap!
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grade 9 Band Rehearsal @ 7:45-8:30am ● Warhammer Club @ 12pm - Room 221 ● Games & Conversation Club @ 12pm - Room 107

[Upcoming Dates](#)

June 4th - Grade 10 Orientation @ Citadel (6:30-7:30 pm)
 June 5th - Grade 7 Immunization Clinic
 June 6th & 7th - Duke of Edinburgh Overnight Trip
 June 11th - Spring Concert (6:30-7:30pm)
 June 18th - PTA Meeting (6pm - Boardroom)

[From the PTA:](#)

Grade 9 GJHS Grad Hoodies and shirts

Congrats to all of our grade 9 graduates!

We hope that all grade 9s are able to order either a hoodie or t-shirt. Both options will be dark heather grey with the school logo printed on the front and graduation year with classmate's signatures printed on the back. If you would like to contribute a few extra dollars to ensure everyone gets a clothing item, please select the option to donate to school cash at: <https://hrce.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/4/319/false/true?school=637&initiative=1>

If you require financial assistance, please contact Vice Principal Kelsey Johnston (Kelsey.johnston@hrce.ca) for next steps.

Options:

1. Dark heather grey hoodie (ATC 2500)

- price \$45 (+SCO fee)
- select size xs to 5xl

- add sleeve personalization \$8

2. Dark heather grey tshirt (ATC 1000)

- price \$25 (+SCO fee)
- select size xs to 6xl
- add sleeve personalization \$8

Order deadline June 8 @ 6pm

Talent Show!

Do you have a secret skill, a high-energy dance routine, or a voice that deserves the spotlight? Whether you're a musician, comedian, magician, or martial artist, or have a unique hobby nobody knows about, now is your time to shine!

Audition Details:

- **When:** June 3rd @ 12:00 PM
- **Where:** Library
- **What we're looking for:** Auditions aren't about "perfection"—they are about preparation. We want to see that you're ready to take the stage! When you come to auditions, be ready to:
 - **Perform:** Give us a preview of your act
 - **Details:** Tell us how long your performance is
 - **Gear:** Let us know if you need any equipment (mics, speakers, floor mats, etc.)

Save the Date: The Main Event!

The lights go up on June 25th at 12:55 PM. Whether you're performing solo or with a group of friends, come out and show the school what you've got.

From the Library

The last date to check out books from the library will be June 11th.

Please return your library books to Ms. Sadye **on or before June 26th**. Books may be returned to the library on Wednesdays & Thursdays or to the library return bin in the main office.

Reminders will be posted around the school, and the list of books will be posted outside the library and sent to homeroom teachers. As per HRCE guidelines, we no longer charge fines for missing books, but please let us know so that they can be marked as lost. If you have any questions, please see Ms. Sadye in the library. Thank you!

Spring Concert



[From the Phys Ed Department](#)

Please note that, weather and temperature permitting, most Physical Education classes will be held outdoors for the remainder of the school year. We encourage students to come prepared for outdoor conditions with appropriate clothing and gear, such as hats, t-shirts or light long sleeves, shorts or light pants, outdoor sneakers, sunscreen, and a water bottle. Access to indoor water fountains may be limited during outdoor activities.

[From HRCE](#)

2026-2027 Bus Information

Information about student transportation for the 2026-27 school year will be available to view online through the BusPlanner Parent Portal later in July.

Families eligible for transportation will receive an email to access the Parent Portal to view their child's bus information once it is available.

Once you receive the email, you must follow the instructions to activate your new Parent Portal account and create a password. Using previous Parent Portal login information will not work.

If you can't find the email, please contact transportation@hrce.ca or 902-431-4723 for assistance.

Over the summer, the HRCE Student Transportation team will also reach out to new HRCE families and those families who may require special needs transportation for their children with more information about busing.

Reminder: The Student Transportation team is available to assist you and answer questions about busing all summer at transportation@hrce.ca or 902-431-4723. When contacting the team, please ensure you have your child's name, grade, school name and student ID number ready. Your child's student ID number can be found in PowerSchool or on the top of your child's report card

NS Loyal Vouchers

Once again this year, students across the province will receive a \$10 Nova Scotia Loyal voucher to use at participating farmers' markets. The program encourages young people and families to explore local markets, support Nova Scotian growers and producers, and learn more about where their food comes from. From fresh produce and baked goods to locally made products, the initiative helps connect students with their communities while supporting small businesses and strengthening the local economy. Families are encouraged to visit participating markets over the summer months and discover all that Nova Scotia has to offer through the [Nova Scotia Loyal program](#). Watch for these vouchers coming home soon!

[Safe Arrival Reminder](#)

Attendance: Students are recorded as absent by their teachers if they aren't in their first class by 8:40am.

SAFE ARRIVAL: To report your child(ren) absent or late, you can use any of the following methods:

→ **Toll-Free Number:** Parents/guardians can call 1-833-582-6940 to report:

- Future absences using an automated system (max 5 consecutive days) at a time.
- Excuse your child(ren) for a full day (no half-day option). If they arrive late or after an appointment, their attendance will be updated in our system upon arrival and sign-in at the Main Office.

→ **PowerSchool Parent/Student Portal:** Parents/guardians can log in to <https://sishrsb.ednet.ns.ca/public/> to access the School Messenger website to report all absences.

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→ **School Messenger App:** Parents/guardians can download the School Messenger app for Android and iOS devices and use their username and password for the PowerSchool Portal.

*All three methods are available 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. Absences can be reported any time before 9:05 am on the day the student will be absent. Up to five consecutive absences can be recorded at once. If your child will be absent for the **afternoon only**, please contact the Main Office at 902-421-6758 ext. 5451000. Feel free to leave a message stating your child's full name and the duration of the absence.

Information can also be found on the hrce.ca website under For Families > General Information > Safe Arrival

*Please do not email teachers for attendance purposes.

Communication

Other updates and important school information can be found on our webpage. <https://gbf.hrce.ca/>
Gorsebrook Jr. High has a Parent-led Facebook Group – you can find it by searching for 'GJHS Community'.