

GORSEBROOK JUNIOR HIGH COMMUNITY MEMO

THIS WEEK AT GORSEBROOK: Feb 19th – Feb 23rd, 2024

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This is: Week 2	
MONDAY South WE'RE CLOSED	Heritage Day – No School
TUESDAY	 Robotics club Rm 210 Library opened at lunch. Grade 7/8 Badminton Tryouts Grade 8 Band rehearsal at lunch French extra help in room 211 @ 12pm Ms. Nicholl has extra math support @ lunch in room 216.
WEDNESDAY	 Library opened @ lunch Grade 9 Badminton Tryouts @ 12PM in the gym
THURSDAY	 Pizza Lunch Library opened @ lunch Grade 7/8 Badminton Tryouts Extra math help with Mme. Jang in room 210 GSA meeting @ lunch Readers Rumble Club @ lunch in rm 215 Gorsebrook Adult Pub Night 7-10
FRIDAY	 Grade 8 Ski Trip Debate Club @ lunch Rm 222 Ms. Andrews has English Conversation and Games in Room 107. Every Friday at 12:00pm. Eat your lunch first. All are welcome! Library opened @ lunch Dungeons and Dragons club Rm 101

Upcoming Dates	
Feb 19 th – Heritage Day – No School	
Feb 22 nd - Gorsebrook Adult Pub Night	
Feb 29 th – SAC meeting 11:40AM	
Mach 5 th - PTA meeting	
March 11 th -15 th March Break – No School	
March 18th - Assessment and Evaluation Day – No School	

Badminton Update

Badminton Team Upcoming Tournaments

The dates for the Metro Badminton City Playdowns were just announced and they are only 5 weeks away.

Therefore, we will be making two teams, Juniors (Grades 7/8s) and Intermediates (Grade 9s), each with only 8 players that will play either: singles boys/girls, doubles boys/girls or mixed doubles. Will take 2 alternates for each team - so 20 kids in total.

The Junior (7/8) tournament is: Wednesday March 27, 2024 - Sacred Heart Junior High

The Intermediate (9) tournament is: Wednesday, April 3rd, 2024 - Citadel High School



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If any students advance to regionals, they will be held on April 10th, 2024 at Citadel.

Badminton Tryouts

These need to happen quickly so we can get practicing. Our apologies to anyone who wanted to play but is unable to make it these times... we weren't allowed to start selecting and training until Feb 15th and need to get started quickly.

- Each age group (Junior 7/8s and Intermediate 9s) will get two tryouts and the teams will be posted next Friday, February 23rd.
- They need to bring racquets, if they have them, as the school's racquets are in bad shape.
- All tryouts will take place at school over lunch and students need to arrive ready to play at noon with indoor running shoes (court shoes if they have them).
- If they make the team, they will need goggles to play in the tournament (their own racquet is highly recommended).

-Grade 9s will tryout on Friday, February 16th and Wednesday, February 21st.

-Grade 7/8s will tryout on Tuesday, Feb 20th and Thursday, Feb 22nd.

Practices

As of now, we are planning for 3 practices a week for each team.

- Tues/Thursdays at lunch for both teams together.
- Monday/Wednesdays afterschool from 3-4:30pm. We will likely do 1 team at a time for after school
 practices but will choose this weekly and advise players/guardians.

We will be keeping attendance at practices and team positions will be awarded based on skill and positive participation at practices.

*******If you know you can't make the tournament dates or the majority of practices times, please don't tryout for the team as we usually have upwards of 50 kids trying for 8-10 spots******

From the PTA You can purchase tickets online until Feb 21st

Adult Event



Pub Night on Thursday, February 22

The Gorsebrook Junior High PTA invites parents, guardians and supporters to gather with friends and meet others in our school community. Join us from 7-10pm at the Brewery by Quinns on Thursday, February 22. There will be something for everyone, including music bingo and a silent auction.

Tickets are limited and can be purchased for \$12.75 at <u>www.schoolcashonline.com</u> until February 21. If available, remaining tickets will be sold at the door. If you have questions or would like to donate to the auction, please email <u>gjhspta@gmail.com</u>.

Please bring cash and/or cheques for the auction, etc. All funds raised will go to GJH student activities.



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Citadel Ski Martock

Friday, Feb. 23rd - GRADE 7 & 9 MARTOCK FORMS DUE TO MS. CONRAD AND PAYMENT DUE ON SCHOOLCASH

Martock Trips

Please note: We still require chaperones for the Martock trips on February 23rd, March 5th and March 6th. If anyone is available on these dates and has the required documents, please contact Ms. Conrad directly (<u>nconrad@hrce.ca</u>). If we do not have enough chaperones, the trips will be cancelled.

Dates: Friday, February 23rd - Grade 8

Tuesday, March 5th - Grade 7

Wednesday, March 6th - Grade 9

From HRCE



There will be no classes on Monday, February 19 for Heritage Day honouring William Hall.



Communication

Please follow us on Twitter for updates on school life at GJH! <u>@GorsebrookJHS</u> Other updates and staff emails can be found on our webpage. <u>https://gbf.hrce.ca/</u> Gorsebrook is now on Instagram. Find us @ gorsebrookjuniorhigh

Gorsebrook Jr. High has a Parent led Facebook Group – You can find it by searching GJHS community.