

ÉCOLE GOLDEN SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MARCH & APRIL 2025



Living, learning, and playing on the traditional unceded territory of the Ktunaxa and Secwépemc Peoples.



The Provincial Student Learning Survey

gathers information from parents/ guardians/ caregivers, teachers, and students on topics related to school environment, safety, and achievement. The information is used for planning in individual schools and provides a district and provincial perspective.

The Student Learning Survey will be administered to students, parents/guardians/caregivers, and all school staff. We encourage everyone to participate in this survey, as the results are important in identifying and celebrating current strengths, as well as determining where the school and province need to focus improvement.

Access the survey [here](#) until May 2, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Staff Only Parking Lot

Did you know?
If you park in the staff parking lot, those staff members who are coming back from errands (like grocery shopping) have nowhere to park?

Families, please use the student parking lot or the curling parking lot!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs. & Fri., March 13 & 14
Concession closed for lunch Breakfast still available.

Friday, March 14
Kicking Horse Culture presentation Yes! Yes! Yes! at Civic Centre for gr. 10-11-12

March 15 – 30
Spring Break – No school

Monday, April 14
PAC meeting 7pm GSS Conference Room – All are welcome!

Friday, April 18
Good Friday – No school


Monday, April 21
Easter Monday – No school

Thursday, April 24
Visiting Band Concert

Saturday, April 26
Grad Bottle Drive

Monday, April 28
RSA Day – No school for students

IMPORTANT INFO

- Day 1/2 schedule [HERE](#).
- Need to contact a teacher? Find their address [HERE](#).
- GSS Health Hub: [Click](#) or scan the QR code. 
- To update student or emergency contacts click [HERE](#).
- To pay for student fees, events & concession credits, click [HERE](#).
- New to Clevr? See our [User guide](#).
- Check out our [Grad Zone](#) section of our website for updates and information.
- Reducing screen time in schools – see our Cell Phone Policy [HERE](#).
- Got a great idea or a solution to a problem? You can use our virtual [suggestion box](#) to let us know about it.

KICKING HORSE CULTURE PRESENTS...

YES! YES! YES!

On March 14, our GSS **grade 10, 11 and 12** students are invited to the Civic Centre to watch a thought provoking presentation.

Part confession, part documentary, part open conversation, Yes Yes Yes is a theatre show created for young people that explores the knotty and necessary topics of healthy relationships, consent, and desire.

Made with and for 14-22 year olds, Yes Yes Yes is a funny, generous and innovative piece of contemporary performance that speaks directly to one of the most pressing issues young people face today.

Content warning: This performance discusses sexual violence.

Those students who choose not to attend will have educational programming delivered in the Learning Commons. If parents/guardians are interested, there is an evening performance the night before, open to the community.

MENTAL HEALTH

The Benefits of Kindness

As powerful as Wonder Woman's inner gift of super-human strength, positive psychology research tells us that the **superpower of kindness is in all of our kids**. We can help our kids to unlock this natural ability and utilize this superpower to be happier, have better relationships and can help our kids promote a pay it forward generation. For more information see:

[The Benefits of Kindness: Helping our Kids Harness the Superpower of Kindness | Kelty Mental Health](#)

HAVE A CHAT...

Please help your child to make good choices about phone use during the school day by communicating with them before school, at lunch, and after school. Consider having a discussion with them about their phone use - why do they reach for their phone? When? Does it help them learn or distract from the learning? Teachers notice that students who leave their phones in their backpacks are better able to follow discussions and show what they understand.

Thanks to Mr. Badenoch and his push-up challenge! Students challenged themselves to do push ups and learned about mental health!

Thanks to Ms. MacTavish for facilitating our Pink Shirt Day discussions during homeroom!

Thanks to Mr. Benty for organizing our b-ball pep rally, and to the students and staff members who shared their school spirit!

