

GENERAL WOLFE SCHOOL



THE OFFICIAL WOLFPACK NEWSLETTER

WELCOME BACK FROM SUMMER HOLIDAYS!

As we begin the 2026-2027 year at General Wolfe, we are pleased to greet those joining our community for the first time and those returning for another exciting chapter. September always brings a sense of possibility, with new opportunities to learn, connect, participate, and grow.

The opening weeks are often a time of transition as young people adjust to changing schedules, renewed expectations, and familiar or unfamiliar surroundings. Our team is committed to ensuring that every learner feels supported, valued, and ready to thrive.

To help everyone get off to a strong start, We encourage parents and caregivers to review the School Handbook, available on our website. It contains important information regarding routines, responsibilities and supports that will help make the year run smoothly.

One practice that may be new to some members of our community is our daily Advisory Groups. These smaller groups create opportunities for meaningful connections with peers and a trusted staff member. Advisory time helps foster a sense of belonging, strengthens relationships, and provides regular opportunities for community-building and personal growth.

We also encourage our youth to explore the many lunch-hour clubs and activities available throughout the year. Getting involved is a great way to meet others who share similar interests, discover new passions, and become more engaged in the life of General Wolfe.

A special greeting goes out to the newest member of our staff along with best wishes to those returning. Their dedication, talent, and care help create an environment where every learner can succeed.

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Finally, we would like to extend my sincere appreciation to our custodial team. Their hard work over the summer has prepared a bright, clean, and inviting space for everyone. Thank you for helping General Wolfe shine.

We look forward to all that we will accomplish together in the months ahead. Here's to a year filled with curiosity, achievement, kindness, and connection.

Warmly,



Susan Darazsi
Principal



Zoë Brittain
Vice Principal



SAVE
the DATE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
5:00-7:00PM

We are excited to welcome General Wolfe families back to school!

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's teachers and support staff, reconnect with friends, and learn more about the exciting year ahead.

Families can enjoy:



Juice and cookies



Door prizes



A chance to connect with our school community

We look forward to seeing our students and families as we kick off another great school year together!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

SCHOOL SUPPLIES READY TO GO

To help make the return to school smooth and manageable for families, we ask for a **\$40 supply fee per student**, due the **first week of school**. This fee allows us to purchase essential classroom materials—such as pencils, notebooks, binders, glue sticks, and more—in bulk, so we can pass meaningful savings directly on to you. **Please send exact cash with your child (payable at the office) or e-transfer to generalwolfe@wsd1.org**. If payment is a challenge, do not hesitate to contact the school office—we're here to help.

Students should also bring their own backpack, indoor running shoes, phys-ed clothes (e.g., t-shirt, shorts/sweats), and a reusable water bottle. Grades 7 & 8 students are asked to bring a regular calculator, and Grade 9s should bring a scientific one. Thank you for partnering with us to keep the focus where it belongs—on your child's success.

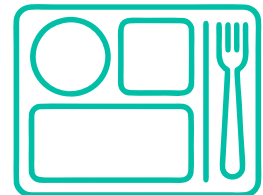
UNIVERSAL MEAL PROGRAM

General Wolfe School is proud to offer a free, nutritious breakfast and lunch program for all students—no registration required. Meals include vegetarian and Halal options, ensuring every child has access to healthy food that supports their growth, learning, and well-being. All are welcome!

Program Details:

- Breakfast: Served from the Nook at 8:30 AM
- Lunch: Served from The Nook at 12:00 PM

Please note: This program provides balanced meals only and does not include treats sold during special events.



Students may go home or stay at school for lunch. Those staying:

- Eat indoors for the first half hour, with supervision
- Go outside or join a club for the second half hour
- Are supervised outside on school grounds (12:30-1:00 PM)

All students may eat in the Pit or the Learning Commons areas. Students may bring their own lunch or enjoy our free meal service. If you have questions, please contact the school office. We're committed to ensuring no child goes hungry.

CELL PHONE USE AT SCHOOL



As part of Manitoba's provincial guidelines, schools are required to restrict student cell phone use during the school day to help minimize distractions and support student learning. These guidelines were introduced to create focused learning environments, protect instructional time, encourage positive social interactions, and help students develop healthy technology habits.

We recognize that cell phones are an important part of daily life. If families need to contact their child during the school day, please call the school office and we will ensure messages are delivered promptly. We appreciate your partnership and support as we work together to create a safe, respectful, and engaging learning environment for all students.

DROP OFF & PICK UP PROCEDURES

Please adhere to all traffic rules within school zones. Student safety is our highest priority and we ask that **all drop-offs and pick-ups be done at the side of the school on Burnell Street, adjacent to the field.** There has been an increase in traffic violations and we ask that we all do our part to ensure the safety of all community members.



See below for safety procedures:

Parking in Staff Parking Lot

- The staff parking lot is for staff only, and not to be used as a pick-up or drop-off zone for students.

Double Parking is Not Permitted

- This has been identified as the most dangerous practice around the school. It limits visibility, traffic flow, and boxes-in drivers and school buses. Double parking is illegal at all times and subject to enforcement action.

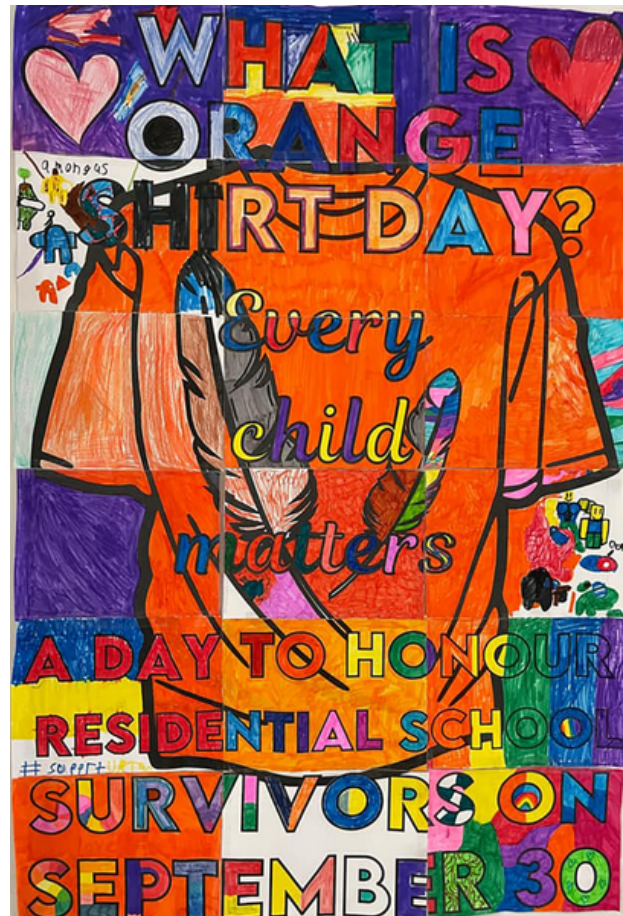


HONOURING NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH & RECONCILIATION

As we prepare to recognize the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, our school community remains committed to learning about the history and legacy of residential schools and honoring the voices of Indigenous children, families, and communities.

Please note that the school will be closed on Wednesday, September 30, the official day of Truth and Reconciliation. **To ensure we mark this important occasion together, we will be observing Orange Shirt Day on Thursday, October 1.**

On this day, students and staff are encouraged to wear orange as a symbol of remembrance and solidarity. Throughout the school year, classrooms will be engaging in meaningful learning experiences that center Indigenous perspectives, promote understanding, and foster respectful dialogue. We invite families to continue these conversations at home and join us in reflecting on how we can all contribute to reconciliation in our communities.



Community, Conversation & Coffee (CCC)

We are excited to introduce Community Conversations & Coffee, formerly known as our Parent Advisory Council meetings.



These informal monthly gatherings provide an opportunity for families to connect with the principal and school staff, learn about upcoming events and school initiatives, ask questions, share ideas, and strengthen our school community. A light dinner will be provided. Please note that childcare is not available.

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

2026-2027 Meeting Dates (Thursdays):

- October 29
- November 26
- December 17
- January 28
- February 25
- No meeting in March
- April 22
- May 27
- June 10



We hope you will join us for these meaningful conversations. Your voice and partnership are important to us, and we look forward to connecting with you throughout the year.

Please contact Htoo Paw, Intercultural Support Worker, at hpaw@wsdl.org to confirm your attendance.

A New Chapter at GW

We are excited to welcome Alice Ramsay as our new Library Technician! Many of our families may already recognize Alice from her work as one of our Educational Assistants. In her new role, Alice will help make our library a vibrant hub of learning by supporting literacy initiatives, maintaining our collection, and helping students discover books that spark their curiosity and love of reading. We look forward to the many ways she will enrich library experiences for our students this year. Please join us in warmly congratulating and welcoming Alice in her new role.



STUDENT SUPPORT PROCESS

Restorative practices can help strengthen relationships among students, families, and staff when concerns arise at school.

Let's work together to resolve matters and make sure everyone has a safe learning environment.



1

Speak with your child about the situation to gain their perspective.



2

Contact the classroom teacher. Teachers are directly involved with students and offer the best insight.

3

If concerns are not addressed, reach out to the school principal for support.



4

For ongoing issues, call the Superintendent's Department at 204-775-0231. Indicate the school you are calling about. WSD leadership will respond.

5

If challenges persist, contact the Board and Community Liaison Officer at 204-789-0469. They work with families and the Board of Trustees to reach a solution.

More information: [Restorative Practice Policy](#)



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

SEPTEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 School Day 1 School Opens No Classes	9 School Day 2 First Day of Classes	10 School Day 3	11 School Day 4	12
13	14 School Day 5	15 School Day 6	16 School Day 1	17 School Day 2	18 School Day 3	19
20	21 School Day 4	22 School Day 5	23 School Day 6 Meet the Staff 5:00-7:00PM	24 School Day 1 Divisional Fall Pow Wow	25 School Day 2	26
27	28 School Day 3	29 School Day 4	30 National Day For Truth & Reconciliation School Closure	1	2	3



OCTOBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 School Day 5 Orange Shirt Day	2 School Day 6	3
4	5 School Day 1 Picture Day	6 School Day 2 No Classes/ Divisional In-Service	7 School Day 3	8 School Day 4	9 School Day 5	10
11	12 Thanksgiving	13 School Day 6	14 School Day 1	15 School Day 2	16 School Day 3	17
18	19 School Day 4	20 School Day 5	21 School Day 6	22 School Day 1	23 School Day 2 No Classes MTS PD Day	24
25	26 School Day 3	27 School Day 4	28 School Day 5	29 School Day 6 CCC (PAC) Meeting 5:30-7:00PM	30 School Day 1	31



WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION



2026/27 SCHOOL CALENDAR

REVISED APRIL 15, 2026

SEPTEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Labour Day	8 School Opens / Day 1 Non-Instructional	9 / Day 2	10 / Day 3	11 / Day 4	12
13	14 / Day 5	15 / Day 6	16 / Day 1	17 / Day 2	18 / Day 3	19
20	21 / Day 4	22 / Day 5	23 / Day 6	24 / Day 1	25 / Day 2	26
27	28 / Day 3	29 / Day 4	30 National Day for Truth & Reconciliation			

OCTOBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 / Day 5	2 / Day 6	3
4	5 / Day 1	6 / Day 2 Divisional In-service	7 / Day 3	8 / Day 4	9 / Day 5	10
11	12 Thanksgiving	13 / Day 6	14 / Day 1	15 / Day 2	16 / Day 3	17
18	19 / Day 4	20 / Day 5	21 / Day 6	22 / Day 1	23 / Day 2 Non-Instructional MTSPD Day	24
25	26 / Day 3	27 / Day 4	28 / Day 5	29 / Day 6	30 / Day 1	31

NOVEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 / Day 2	3 / Day 3	4 / Day 4	5 / Day 5	6 / Day 6	7
8	9 / Day 1	10 / Day 2	11 Remembrance Day	12 / Day 3	13 / Day 4	14
15	16 / Day 5	17 / Day 6	18 / Day 1	19 / Day 2	20 / Day 3 Non-Instructional	21
22	23 / Day 4	24 / Day 5	25 / Day 6	26 / Day 1	27 / Day 2	28
29	30 / Day 3					

DECEMBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 / Day 4	2 / Day 5	3 / Day 6	4 / Day 1	5
6	7 / Day 2	8 / Day 3	9 / Day 4	10 / Day 5	11 / Day 6	12
13	14 / Day 1	15 / Day 2	16 / Day 3	17 / Day 4	18 / Day 5	19
20	21 Winter Break Starts	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26 Boxing Day
27	28	29	30	31		

JANUARY 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day Winter Break Ends	2
3	4 / Day 6	5 / Day 1	6 / Day 2	7 / Day 3	8 / Day 4	9
10	11 / Day 5	12 / Day 6	13 / Day 1	14 / Day 2	15 / Day 3	16
17	18 / Day 4	19 / Day 5	20 / Day 6	21 / Day 1	22 / Day 2	23
24	25 / Day 3	26 / Day 4	27 / Day 5	28 / Day 6	29 / Day 1	30
31						

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FEBRUARY 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 / Day 2	2 / Day 3	3 / Day 4	4 / Day 5	5 / Day 6	6
7	8 / Day 1	9 / Day 2	10 / Day 3	11 / Day 4	12 / Day 5	13
14	15 Louis Riel Day	16 / Day 6	17 / Day 1	18 / Day 2	19 / Day 3	20
21	22 / Day 4	23 / Day 5	24 / Day 6	25 / Day 1	26 / Day 2	27
28						

MARCH 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 / Day 3	2 / Day 4	3 / Day 5	4 / Day 6	5 / Day 1	6
7	8 / Day 2	9 / Day 3	10 / Day 4	11 / Day 5	12 / Day 6	13
14	15 / Day 1	16 / Day 2	17 / Day 3	18 / Day 4	19 / Day 5 Non-Instructional	20
21	22 / Day 6	23 / Day 1	24 / Day 2	25 / Day 3	26 GoodFriday	27
28	29 Spring Break Starts	30	31			

APRIL 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Spring Break Ends	3
4	5 / Day 4	6 / Day 5	7 / Day 6	8 / Day 1	9 / Day 2	10
11	12 / Day 3	13 / Day 4	14 / Day 5	15 / Day 6	16 / Day 1 Non-Instructional	17
18	19 / Day 2	20 / Day 3	21 / Day 4	22 / Day 5	23 / Day 6	24
25	26 / Day 1	27 / Day 2	28 / Day 3	29 / Day 4	30 / Day 5	

MAY 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 / Day 6	4 / Day 1	5 / Day 2	6 / Day 3	7 / Day 4	8
9	10 / Day 5	11 / Day 6	12 / Day 1	13 / Day 2	14 / Day 3	15
16	17 / Day 4	18 / Day 5	19 / Day 6	20 / Day 1	21 / Day 2	22
23	24 Victoria Day	25 / Day 3	26 / Day 4	27 / Day 5	28 / Day 6	29
30	31 / Day 1					

JUNE 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 / Day 2	2 / Day 3	3 / Day 4	4 / Day 5	5
6	7 / Day 6	8 / Day 1	9 / Day 2	10 / Day 3	11 / Day 4	12
13	14 / Day 5	15 / Day 6	16 / Day 1	17 / Day 2	18 / Day 3	19
20	21 / Day 4	22 / Day 5	23 / Day 6	24 / Day 1	25 / Day 2	26
27	28 / Day 3	29 / Day 4	30 / Day 5 Last Day of School			