

School Council: Your connection to your school



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Dates & Events

Friday March 25	Music Desserts and Deals
Thursday March 31	Grade 10 Literacy Test
Friday April 8	County wide PD day
Wednesday April 13	School Council @ 7 pm: Guelph Police Investigation Unit presenting Internet Safety
Thursday April 21	Mid term reports
Friday April 22-Monday April 25	Easter Holidays
Tuesday April 26	Grade 11 and 12 Early Dismissal at 2:25
Thursday April 28	at 7:30 p.m. Music concert
Wednesday May 11	School Council @ 7 pm: Matt Jack speaking on his experience in Canada as a Australian exchange teacher
Friday May 13	Prom
Thursday May 19	Grade 11 and 12 early dismissal at 2:25 pm
Monday May 23	Victoria Day Holiday
Thursday May 26	Awards Assemblies
Tuesday June 7	Athletic Banquet
Wednesday June 8	School Council Social: 6:30 pm
Wednesday June 15 & Thursday June 16	Grade 9 EQAO Math
Monday June 20	Grade 12 Study Day
Tuesday June 21- Monday June 27	Semester 2 Exams
Tuesday June 28 to Thursday June 30	Secondary PA Days

Message from GCVI

School Council Co-chairs

Sharon Molyneaux and Kim Costigan

Here at G.C.V.I., we are extremely fortunate to have a thriving and dynamic group of parents that make up our School Council. Currently in the 2010-2011 school year, we have 32 parents that decided their children's high school experience is important and actively attend our monthly council meetings. Unlike other school councils with which you may be familiar with, G.C.V.I. council is not burdened with such time consuming initiatives as fund raising or school event-planning. What makes our school council different is its commitment to address the questions, concerns and interests the parents have about their son or daughter's time spent at this school.

One of the key council mandates as a council is to provide information to our school community and to encourage parental involvement in our son/daughter's education.

Some of the topics we have addressed in the 2010-2011 school year include: an information session about the College and University application process, a presentation about the High Skills Major and Co-op Education Programs. A special guest speaker is scheduled in April and will address internet safety and social media. This presentation is open to any who wish to attend. Please see the "Dates to Remember" section in this newsletter for details. In May we will hear Matt Jack, our exchange teacher from Australia, speak about the differences between our two countries educational systems and his experiences while he has been here.

All parents are welcome at any of our meetings. They are held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Why not consider coming out and meeting with our parents/guardians and staff to learn what is really happening at G.C.V.I.?



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THANK YOU



Special thanks to Pablo Suarez from Pablo's World of Cartoons who designed our new "Parent Connection." logo. If you have any design needs why not consider Pablo to provide the graphic art. He can be reached at pablosworldofcartoons@yahoo.ca

**Pablo's World of
Cartoons**

MILK BAG UPDATE

In the Fall, School Council agreed to promote the collection of the outer milk bags. The bags are collected, folded, cut and rolled into balls which in turn volunteers crochet mats. Once the mats are made they are shipped and distributed to people in Third world countries who otherwise would lie on the ground with no barrier against bugs and parasites. In addition to the mats acting as a barrier it resists mildew and is lightweight. Our goal is to collect 10,000 bags. To date over 5,000 bags have been collected. If you would like to participate in donating the outer 4L milk bags a collection box is located

Parents & Guardians
of GCVI Students

You're Invited...
To attend a special GCVI
School Council Meeting

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The Special Investigation Unit from the Guelph Police Department will be talking to us about Internet-Safety.

WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 13
7-9 PM
GCVI School
Cafeteria

Plan to attend
the GCVI School
Council meeting for this
special information session.

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outside the Main office. The bags need to be clean, dry and folded.

For more information see the website www.nbcc.ca to learn more about the milk bag project.



BREAKFAST CLUB

A Breakfast Club co-ordinator is needed for the GCVI Breakfast Club that runs Monday to Friday during the school year. It requires someone who has leadership skills, is organized and works well with volunteers. If you or someone you know who is looking for such a position or wants more information contact Anita at:

anita@childrensfoundation.org

