

GULF SHORE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
OCTOBER 2022

Dates to Remember:

October 7 – Orange Shirt Day at Gulf Shore
October 10 – Thanksgiving – Holiday- NO CLASSES
October 12 – Cross Country Meet for grades 3-6@ Elliot River (am)
October 13 – HVP clinic for Grade 6
October 14 – Terry Fox Run/Walk
October 19 – Home & School Meeting
October 20 – Student Pictures
October 21 – Joint Staff Day – NO CLASSES
October 25 – MADD Presentation for grade 8-9
November 2 – Take Your Kid to Work Day- Grade 9
November 3 & 4 – PEITF/CUPE Convention - NO CLASSES
November 5-11 – Veteran’s Week
November 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly
November 11 – Remembrance Day – NO CLASSES
November 24 – 25 – Scholastic Book Fair
November 24 & 25 – Student Learning Conferences (24th –Evening & 25 – Daytime – NO CLASSES

Bus Transfers: A reminder that bus transfers are not permitted at Gulf Shore. We run with five buses and each bus is filled to capacity. Please make alternate transportation plans when necessary that do not include bus transfers.

Terry Fox News: This is the 42nd anniversary for the Annual Terry Fox Run /Walk and our school has raised over \$125 000 in 20 years. That’s amazing! Our goal is to participate with heart and soul like we do every year. We will "Try Like Terry!" Our run/walk will take place on **Friday, October 14, 2022.**

Pledge sheets have been sent home with students and we will continue with our online fundraising with the following link: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/> Just search for Gulf Shore Consolidated to make online pledges.

As well we are selling Terry Fox T-Shirts. The information for this is found on our Facebook page, Gulf Shore Consolidated (entry on September 21st). Send along the size and child’s name and the money. We will ask for any orders to be placed by Wednesday, October 5th Gulf Shore Home and School are providing lunch (hotdog and juice) and it will be delivered to the classrooms.

Sports News:

Another year, another round of Fall sports!

The girls and boy’s soccer teams won their first league games and are set to continue the streak moving forward hopefully right into Provincials at the Terry Fox Center on Nov 5th! Best of luck folks.

Golf has also kicked off with two male Golfers, Joel Taylor and Aiden MacLeod, taking part in the individual 9-hole qualifiers Friday, October 7th at Countryview. Best of luck boys and hope to hear you advance to provincials at Avondale on Oct 12th!

Finally, we have also started Cross-Country with the pre-novice (grade 3 and 4), novice (grade 5 and 6), and bantam/intermediate (grade 7,8 and 9) groups. They have been out with Mrs. MacGillivray several times preparing for their meets which are coming up. Pre-novice and novice athletes will be bussed to Eliot River for their meet on Oct 12th in the morning, and the Bantam/Intermediate groups will be going to their meet at Charlottetown Rural for Thursday, Oct 6th. Best of luck and hope to hear some of you make it on to Provincials later in the month!

Best of luck to our athletes!

Gulf Shore Home and School News:

The members of Home and School hope that everyone is getting along well after Hurricane Fiona. The hurricane caused us to miss our first Home and School meeting of the 2022-23 year.

We are once again offering pizza from By the Bay on Fridays. Please note - this is part of the Gulf Shore Hot lunch program and is not affiliated with the provinces Healthy Food Program. The pizza will be available for purchase via our hotlunches.net program. If you are new to the program you can register your child (info on school website). Milk is available 5 days a week in addition to the pizza on Fridays. Ordering is now open and closes weekly at 8 pm on Sunday evening.

The Terry Fox Run and BBQ lunch has been rescheduled to Oct 14th. This year we will be offering gluten free hotdogs however we will not have gluten free buns. If your child wishes to take a bun along with them feel free. If anybody wishes to volunteer with the BBQ feel free to reach out to any of the members or staff.

We would also like to introduce the executive and volunteers of our Gulf Shore Home and School Association for the 2022/23 school year.

President – Marsha LeBlanc
Past President – Jen Covello
Vice President – Stephanie Arnold
Treasurer – Lindsay Gallant
Secretary – Dorothy Wakelin
Milk/School Food Program – Sally Pineau / Kristin LeClair
Food for Thought Cupboard – Michelle Gallant

Our next meeting is happening on Wednesday, October 19th at 7pm – all are welcome to attend.

BAD WEATHER

School Cancellation-All school cancellations will be announced on local radio stations and posted on the Public Schools Branch website by 7:00 A.M. If all schools are closed, it will be announced that all Public Schools Branch schools in the province are closed for the day. In some instances, it may only be necessary to close an individual school or a “family of schools”. Please remember that Gulf Shore is part of the Bluefield Family of Schools.

One Hour Delay - If a decision on cancellation cannot be made by 7:00 A.M., a one hour delay will be announced whereby all schools and buses will operate one hour later than usual. A further announcement will be broadcast by 8:00 A.M. Partial school closures or delays will be announced by family of schools. **Gulf Shore is part of the Bluefield Family.**

Late Buses -In some instances, even in fine weather, buses may be delayed. Parents will be notified via radio broadcast and by SAS email that a bus will be delayed (i.e. Bus #97 is running 30 minutes later).

School Closures during the day - It may be necessary to close a school or a family of schools part way through a school day. Detailed announcements will be made on local radio stations and school board websites. Please ensure that your child’s homeroom teacher knows what your **Early Closure Plan** is for your child. If there is an early closure, please stick with your child’s early closure plan. Early closure plans can include going home on the bus as they normally would.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR PARENTS

1. **The final decision** to attend school or to travel to school via school bus always rests with the parent.
2. **Please do not drop children off at school** unless you are certain that school is operating that day and that staff are present to supervise the children.
3. **Please listen** to the radio and check school board websites frequently between 6:30 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. daily to determine if schools are operating. Every effort will be made to have announcements broadcast by 7:00 A.M.
4. **Please do not** call the school, school board office, or the radio stations for information on cancellations or delays. Such calls tie up the telephone lines which may be needed for emergency use.

