Gobind Sarvar Newsletter



April Newsletter

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Principal's message

Welcome back from Spring Break! I hope you all had a restful and refreshing time with your family and are ready for an exciting month ahead.

As April unfolds, we warmly welcome the arrival of spring. Though March brought its fair share of chilly days, we have been fortunate to catch glimpses of warmer weather. With the new season ahead, we eagerly anticipate brighter days filled with growth and new opportunities.

April holds a special significance for us as we celebrate Khalsa Sajna Divas this month. It is a time for reflection, gratitude, and honoring our rich cultural heritage. On behalf of the entire Gobind Sarvar team, we extend our heartfelt wishes to all our families: "Vaisakhi Diyan Lakh Lakh Vadhaiyan!"

In addition to this joyous occasion, we are delighted to announce that we will once again be welcoming First Nation students from Lac La Biche School for our cultural exchange program. This initiative provides a meaningful opportunity for our students to engage in learning, foster mutual respect, and build lasting friendships.

We are also excited to witness the incredible creativity and innovation in our upcoming Science Fair! Our students have been working diligently on their projects, and we cannot wait to see their hard work come to life. As we embrace the beauty of spring, the significance of Vaisakhi, and the excitement of our cultural exchange and Science Fair, let us continue this journey of learning, growth, and unity together.





Core value and Learner attribute of the Month

Unity

We value the common spirit within the hearts of all humanity. Recognizing this enables us to have more mutually enriching interactions and to create a more connected community.

IB Learner attribute

Reflective

We thoughtfully consider the world and our own ideas and experience. We work to understand our strengths and weaknesses in order to support our learning and personal development.

Announcements

Maa Boli Mah

At Gobind Sarvar Edmonton, we are celebrating Punjabi Maa Boli Mah by encouraging families to speak Punjabi at home and strengthen their connection to the language.

As part of this celebration, we are challenging students to memorize Japji Sahib. Our Gurmukhi and Kirtan teachers will assess how many Pauris each student knows, and the student who memorizes the most Pauris will be awarded.

Let's work together to preserve and promote our rich linguistic and spiritual heritage!



<u>Important dates and upcoming events</u>

April 4 - Science fair 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

April 11- Kohls School-Heart Lake First Nations visit
April 17-18 - Gr 5 collaborating with Calgary Gobind
Sarvar and camping at Camp chief Hector,
Kananaskis.

April 14 - In school Vaisakhi assembly

April 25 - Early Dismissal at 12:00, Sikh Heritage event Half Grades performances; Please check homeroom teachers update on Toddle.

May 2 - Early Dismissal at 12:00, Sikh Heritage event the second half Grades performances; Please check homeroom teachers update on Toddle.

April 18- No School Good Friday

April 21 - No School Easter Monday

April 17- Swimming lessons start; Please check Toddle App for your child's class schedule.

IB PYP Coordinator's Message

I am delighted to connect with you through our April newsletter! This month, our students will continue to delve into their transdisciplinary theme units, fostering deep inquiry and critical thinking. They will explore interconnected concepts, allowing them to make meaningful connections across subjects.

Expect to see students engaged in hands-on activities, collaborative projects, and discussions that encourage them to think globally while acting locally. We are excited to support their learning journey and look forward to sharing their progress with you.

Warm regards, Ms. Zeina Monzer



Friendly Reminders

Swimming

- Ensure your child brings proper swimming gear.
- Students may wear sweatpants, sweatshirts, and hoodies only on swimming days.
- Pack uniforms, extra undergarments, Patkas, and Rumals in case they get wet, along with an extra bag for wet swimsuits.
- Stay updated on the Toddle platform for messages from your child's teachers regarding swimming information and schedule.

Pick-up/Drop-off

- No early pick-ups are permitted unless for valid reasons (e.g., medical or travel).
- Drop-off time is from 7:50 8:10 AM; students arriving after 8:10 AM will be marked late.
- Pickup time at 3530 91st NW location is from 2:45 3:00 PM.
- Pickup time at 9897 34 Ave NW location is from 2:50 3:10 PM.

Toddle

• Our school has fully transitioned to the Toddle platform. Please ensure you have registered your email addresses and logged in, as teachers will no longer communicate through Google Classroom.

For Field trips, please check your child's Toddle App