

● **SEPTEMBER 19, 2025**

GUS WETTER SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT GWS

Just over two weeks into the school year and there are already many exciting things happening at GWS!

Cross Country, Volleyball, Golf are underway, our Book Fair that is just winding up and Meet the Teacher evening was a huge success!

Staff and students have been busy preparing and planning for a successful year ahead. Great things are happening, be sure to check the calendar, newsletter, and social media for more exciting activities to come!

Also, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office, 403-882-3242.



UP COMING EVENTS

- Sept 22 - Escape Room Gr. 7-12
- Sept 23 - Parent Council AGM
- Sept 24 - Grad Student Meeting
- Sept 25 - Terry Fox Run @ Theresetta School
- Sept 26 - Orange Shirt Day
- Sept 26 - Elementary Assembly 2:45 pm
- Sept 29 - PD Day
- Sept 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - No School

SCHOOLCASH UPDATES

Please note the following changes... cheques are to be made payable to Clearview Public Schools and no longer Gus Wetter School Trust.

We are also moving forward to becoming a cashless school. If you haven't already, please sign up for SchoolCash Online to make payments quickly and securely. If you have any questions, please email the office at gwsoffice@clearview.ab.ca



FROM THE OFFICE

Reminder: Complete all your child's forms in SchoolEngage (through your PowerSchool Parent Portal login) this is for all student forms.

- **2025-26 Returning Student Registration form**
- **Walking Field Trip forms**
- **Sports trip consents**
- **Eligibility Confirmation for Participation in Female - Only Sport**

You may also see additional forms assigned to your child. This is very important and needs to be completed within a timely manner to avoid disruption in the activities that are being scheduled.

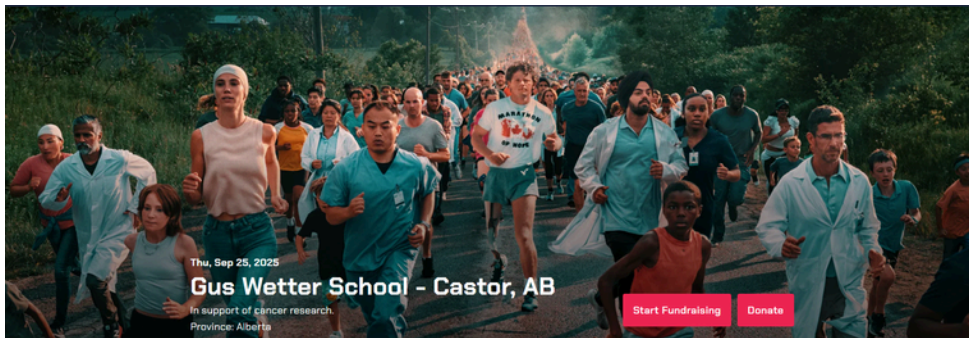
Access through your PowerSchool Parent Portal, <https://clearview.powerschool.com/public/home.html>.

Having problems with Parent Portal email, psparenthelp@clearview.ab.ca



SEPTEMBER 26, ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Wear orange to recognize Indigenous children who endured the residential schooling system



**SEPTEMBER 25 @ 1:30
THERSETTA SCHOOL**

Help Gus Wetter School reach their goal of \$2500 to go towards cancer research by donating/fundraising!
How to Donate:

1. Go to www.terryfox.org
2. Click "Terry Fox School Run"
3. Click "Donate to a School"
4. Enter the name of your school and follow the prompts to donate

You can also donate by submitting cash or cheque using the paper pledge sheets that were sent home with your child. Cheques can be made payable to The Terry Fox Foundation.

Pledge forms and funds due October 7

THIS IS GOING TO BE GREAT!

Escape City, an in school Field Trip September 22nd for grades 7-12.

Escape City out of Edmonton will be arriving with their Escape Room on wheels for a fun filled day.

This lets students develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills in an exciting, interactive environment that encourages teamwork and collaboration – it's fun, engaging, and educational! An experience they'll never forget.

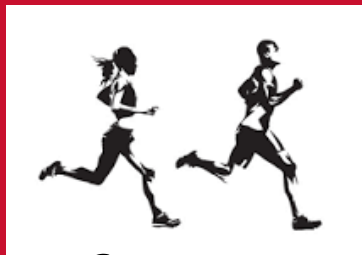
THANK YOU FRIENDS OF GUS WETTER

ATHLETICS FROM MR. SHERMAN

Volleyball and Cross Country are well on their way. **Parents please complete the forms in SchoolEngage for your child and upload any appropriate information if you are a volunteer driver. Fees are due and currently posted on Schoolcash Online.**



Sept 19-20 - Sr. High Girls @ Lacombe
Sept 20 - Jr. High Boys @ GWS
Sept 20 - Jr. High Girls @ Theresetta
Sept 24 - Jr High's VS Coronation @ GWS
Sept 25 - Sr. High @ Wainwright
Sept 27 - Sr. High Boys @ Bentley
Oct 1 - Jr. High @ Brownfield
Oct 2 - Sr. High Boys home VS Altario
Oct 2 - Sr. High Girls home VS Hughenden
Oct 3-4 Sr. Girls @ Stettler



Sept 25 - X-country @ Bashaw
Oct 2 - X-Country @ Hardisty
Oct 9 - X-Country @ Camrose



GO RAIDERS!

GO TIGERS!

PARENT COUNCIL AGM

Everyone welcome September 23rd @ 7:00 pm

Parent Council plays a HUGE role in our school helping to support our students and school in a variety of ways throughout the school year.

All parents are welcome and we would love for you to get involved.

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welcome



When students are being picked up or arriving late, your children needs to be signed in/out at the office. Jr. High parents, please remind your children that, Jr. High students leaving to go uptown for lunch need to sign out at the office.

Attendance

Let the office know if your child will not be in school.
Attendance matters every day and for every student.
All student absences are required to be verified by their
parent/guardian by either telephone call,
a signed note delivered to the office, or email to
gwsoffice@clearview.ab.ca

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

We are accepting students for the 2025/2026 year.
Please contact the office, 403-882-3242 or email,
Mrs. Newman
pnewman@clearview.ab.ca
OR
gwsoffice@clearview.ab.ca



Addiction & Mental Health News

October 2025

What is Stigma?

One of the biggest reasons people don't get help for substance use or mental health is stigma. That means they're judged or treated unfairly because of false beliefs or stereotypes. This can further isolate someone who is struggling with substance use and/or mental health.

Words matter. Changing our words can encourage more compassion.

Stigma is not only hurtful, but it has real-life consequences.

Ways to help your family reduce stigma:

- Encourage your family to talk openly about addiction and mental health
- Use supportive language
- Speak out to correct myths and stereotypes
- Educate yourself, your family, and others

Tackling stigma is important as it creates trust and encourages people to express their feelings and seek treatment.

Family tips for building communication and language skills

- Keep messages simple
- Help your children get the facts
- Be calm when speaking to your kids
- Be prepared before having a difficult conversation
- Don't assume you know what is going on or has happened
- Check in regularly with your kids to connect better
- Look for the good in each other
- Empathy and listening helps to see each other's perspective and to increase understanding
- Be kind - to yourself and others

Tackle stigma through the words you choose

- Use positive and respectful language
- Avoid stereotypes and labels
- Use person-first language to focus on the individual rather than the illness, disability, condition, or behaviour

Stigmatizing Language:

This drives me crazy
This is nuts
Mentally ill/insane person
Addict or junkie

Respectful Language:

This bothers me
This is interesting/strange
Person living with a mental illness
Uses substances or person with a substance use disorder

MORE RESOURCES

[Language Matters](#)
[Mental Illness Awareness Week](#)
[Resources - FamilySmart](#)
[Why Words Matter](#)

Information on mental health, community supports, programs and services in your area:



MyHealthAlberta.ca

Addiction Services Help Line
1-866-333-2322

Mental Health Help Line
1-877-303-2642



811 Health Link
Health Advice 24/7



Recovery Alberta
MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES