#### **GURU NANAK GATE CAMPUS**



# **NEWSLETTER**

**APRIL 2025** 



**CORE VALUE: APRIL** 

# **Unity**

Unity means appreciating our differences and working together. It is when we do something together at the same time, helping each other to get things done. Unity is important because it makes big tasks seem easier and more fun. When we work as a team, we can achieve things that might be hard to do alone. Unity makes us feel like a family, where everyone is important and working together to make something great happen! For example, when you and your classmates clean the classroom together or play a game as a team, it feels fun and easy because everyone is helping each other!

# THEME OF THE MONTH: KHALSA SAJNA DIWAS

The month of April holds great significance for Sikhs, as this is the month when Khalsa Saajna Divas first took place over 300 years ago. Khalsa Saajna Divas is also known as the Birth of Khalsa or Vaisakhi. On Vaisakhi day in 1699, Guru Gobind Singh Ji united the common people through the creation of a universal identity, values and a new way of life - Khalsa Panth.

Alongside, our theme of the month, students will also explore "Transformation". Transformation not only happens outwardly, but inwardly as well. Vaisakhi is the perfect example and expression of how we can spiritually transform externally and internally. Guru Sahib provided us with the tools and guidance on how we too can begin to transform ourselves in our everyday life. This month students will not only explore the historical, religious and spiritual significance of Khalsa Saajna Divas in Sikhi, but also find ways in which they can begin to transform internally and externally in order to uphold the values that Guru Sahib









### **BOOK FAIR**



We are thrilled to announce that our school will host a book fair in the month of April. It will take place from **Monday April 14th - Thursday April 17th.** Near the event, additional information will be made available on ClassDojo!

A book fair is an excellent opportunity to build students' home libraries, further their reading and comprehension skills, and often build knowledge and vocabulary critical for understanding new subject matter. This practice enables families to make reading a family event. Children who fall in love with school book fairs develop healthy reading habits and may begin their own little library as a permanent fixture at home with their book fair finds!

### **CORE VALUE: TRANSFORMATION**

In April, we will be focusing on the core value 'Transformation'. This ties in with the values we worked on during Term 2—respect, integrity, and unity. We will explore how we have changed and grown internally in relation to these values and think about how we have been transforming throughout the year. It's a chance for us to reflect on how we have applied these values to our lives and how they have shaped us. Vaisakhi is the perfect example of how we can spiritually transform externally and internally. Guru Sahib Ji provided us with the tools and guidance on how we too can begin to transform ourselves in our everyday life.



## **INTERDISCIPLINARY PROJECTS!**

We are excited to inform you that our students in Grades 4-7 have been working on an interdisciplinary projects for the months on march and April. This hands-on project will allow them to explore and connect ideas from various subjects, enhancing their creativity and critical thinking skills.

The project will encourage collaboration, problem-solving, and exploration in a fun and engaging way.

Students will be sharing their work with their peers and parents in the third week of April. Homeroom teacher will provide more details closer to the event.

### **EARTH DAY!**



Earth day helps raise awareness of environmental issues such as global warming and plastic pollution. It's really important to get kids involved at a young age, so they learn about the challenges facing our environment, and the ways they can help.



Earth Day is celebrated every year on April 22<sup>nd</sup>!

It is a special day to celebrate our planet and all of the amazing things we have on it.

## HANDS ON STUDENT LEARNING







5E students building Hydraulic Lifts to understand the concept of compressibility.







5A students using handmade clocks to watch shadows shift in time.







Grade 6 student learning about friction by altering texture and friction.







4A students visited the Ahmadiyya mosque to present Eid Mubarak cards the grade 4 students. Students had Ahamdiyya school made Happy Vaisakhi cards for our students in return.

# WHOLE SCHOOL BASANT DARBAR CELEBRATION





















# APRIL 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
	<b>1</b> Quest Theatre Workshop Grades 4-6	2	3	<b>4</b> MLA Visit for Grades 6, 7-9 and 11
7	8 4A/4C Telus Sparks: Magnetic Marvels	9	CAREERS Presentation from AISCA Grades 10 to 12 @ 1:30pm  Grades 4 - 9 Term 3 Options Start	Khalsa Sajna Diwas Celebrations at School! Bana Day (Wear blue, yellow or white)
14	15	16	17	18
	Book Fair			<b>No School</b> (Good Friday)
No School (PD Day and High School Parent Teacher Conferences)	<b>22</b> Earth Day	Grade 5 In Class Interdisciplina ry Project Presentations (1:30-2:50)	<b>24</b> Grade 4 In Class Interdisciplinary Project Presentations (1:30-2:50)	25 Grade 6 and 7 In Class Interdisciplinar y Project Presentations (1:30-2:50)
28	4B Telus Sparks: Magnetic Marvels	30 Literacy Night for Grade 4 to 6 Parents (details will be shared closer to event)	1	2