

# The AGMS Week at a Glance...



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Thank you to all parents who visited the school on Tuesday night for *Meet the Teacher Night* and our PAC Barbeque. We are very grateful to all the PAC volunteers for the delicious food on such a beautiful evening.

Our **new device-use policy** is working very well, as we see more students interacting socially, and being physically active at the breaks. Thank you to all parents for avoiding texting or calling students on their phones during the school day, as this cuts down on distractions. Please remember you can always get a message through to your child if it is an emergency or urgent through our office staff.

Our **newly revised BC curriculum** is in its implementation year, and I will try and include information on the key changes in the Week at a Glance as the year continues. The curriculum is based on a Know-Do Understand model:

#### Content (Know)

The Content or learning standards are the “Know” of the Know-Do-Understand model of learning — they detail the essential topics and knowledge at each grade level.

#### Curricular Competencies (Do)

The Curricular Competencies are the skills, strategies, and processes that students develop over time. They reflect the “Do” in the Know-Do-Understand model of learning. While Curricular Competencies are more subject-specific, they are connected to the Core Competencies.

**Big Ideas (Understand)** The big ideas represent what students will understand at the completion of the curriculum for their grade. They are intended to endure beyond a single grade and contribute to future understanding. The Big Ideas consist of generalizations and principles and the key concepts important in an area of learning. They reflect the “Understand” component of the Know-Do-Understand model of learning. To learn more go to: <https://curriculum.gov.bc.ca/>, and watch for more information on the new curriculum in future newsletters.

Yours truly,

Rob Parker, Principal

**Attendance** - Please remember to inform the office if your child will be late or absent. You can email to [attendance62@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:attendance62@sd61.bc.ca) or phone and leave a message on our call back line at **250-360-0725**.

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Sept. 26th	12:06 pm Dance Club—gym 3:45 pm Grade 7/8 Boys Soccer game at Gordon Head 3 pm Grade 6/7 Boys Soccer practice
Tuesday, Sept. 27th	12:06 pm Tech Club - cafeteria 3:45 pm Girls 6/7 Soccer game at Gordon Head
Wednesday, Sept. 28th	2 pm Avalanche Assembly, 3—4:45 pm Lego Robotics Club in room 120 3 pm Grade 7/8 Boys Soccer practice
Thursday, Sept. 29th	12:06 pm Tech Club - cafeteria 12:06 pm Art/Cartoon Club in the Art Room 3:45 pm Boys 6/7 Soccer game at Glanford Middle School
Friday, Sept. 30th	<b>Aboriginal Understanding Day—Wear your Orange Shirts!</b> Cookie Sales outside cafeteria—12 pm, Dance Club at 12:06 pm in gym 3 pm Grade 6/7 Girls Soccer practice

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TEAM AVALANCHE

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## ***The Backdoor***

**Is your child looking for something to do after school? A fun place to hang out with friends? FOR FREE?**

Come and check out The Backdoor Teen Centre at Gordon Head Recreation Centre. We offer free programs for all youth. We provide fun activities, snacks, and supervision. Ping Pong Table, Pool Table, Foosball, Video Games, Board Games, Music, Snacks, baking and much more!

**Monday – Wednesday – Friday – 3:00pm – 5:00pm**

**COME HANG OUT WITH US!**

Book the centre for you community group or party. School visits are also welcome! Gordon Head Rec Centre – 4100 Lambrick Way

[Loryn.Anderson@saanich.ca](mailto:Loryn.Anderson@saanich.ca) Tel: 250 274 7111



**Thank you to our Facilities Department for the new side-walk installed this summer. Less mud and clean shoes - thank you!**



### **Fire Drills**

We have now completed two fire drills this year to practice a quick and efficient evacuation. A reminder for parents not to enter the building if you arrive at school and see that a drill is underway. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Hot Lunch Program**

Information will be coming out next week regarding our Hot Lunch Program from Mr. Maxwell. Parents can pre-order and pay on line. Details will come by email next week.



Meet the Teacher Night, September 20

Thank you to our PAC for the barbeque and great food on Tuesday night!

Thanks also to the sponsors Jenner Chevrolet for the Grillverado truck, Cobbs Bakery for the buns, and Peppers for the vegetables!