THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2016

The AGMS Week at a Glance...



TEAM AVALANCHE

Dear Parents/Guardians:

<u>Remembrance Day</u>: Thank you to all parents and guests who joined us today for our Remembrance Day Ceremony. I also want to thank our speaker Lt. Alicia Morris (Royal Canadian Navy), our student presenters and Music Department, and Mr. Maxwell for organizing such a wonderful ceremony.



Rob Parker, Principal





Attendance - Please remember to inform the office if your child will be late or absent. You can email to <u>attendance62@sd61.bc.ca</u> or phone and leave a message on our call back line at 250-360-0725. For Basketball game dates and times go to: http://lowerislandschoolsports.ca/middle-schools

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Nov. 14	12:06 Dance Club
	3 pm Grade 7 Boys' Competitive Basketball Team practice
	3:45 pm Grade 8 Boys' Competitive Basketball Team game at Monterey
Tuesday, Nov. 15	12:06 pm Tech Club - Cafeteria
	12:06 pm Grade 6 Boys' Recreation Basketball practice
	3:45 pm Grade 6/7 Girls' Competitive Basketball Team game at Arbutus
Wednesday, Nov. 16	12:06 pm Grade 8 Boys' Recreation Basketball practice
	3:45 pm Grade 8 Boys' Comp. Basketball Team game at Arbutus
	3 pm Lego Robotics Club Rm. 120
Thursday, Nov. 17	12:06 pm Tech Club - Cafeteria
	12:06 pm Grade 8 Girls' Basketball Team practice
	3:45 pm Grade 7 Boys' Competitive Basketball Team game at Arbutus
	3:15 pm Swim Team
Friday, Nov. 18	Pro D Day - No school for students

Upcoming Date: <u>Friday Nov. 25th</u> is *Curriculum Completion Day* - Dismissal time for students not staying to complete assignments will be at 11:35 am. Specific information from teachers about each student comes home on Monday, Nov. 21st.

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Renewed Science Curriculum

The redesigned Science curriculum places a greater emphasis on hands-on learning in biology, chemistry, physics and earth/space science. Here, a student in Ms. Morrison's science class uses a lemon, baking soda, and dish soap to demonstrate a volcanic eruption this week. As throughout the new curriculum, students use a *Know, Do, Understand* process to learn curricular competencies and big ideas in each curricular area.

Parent Education Night November 23 The AGMS PAC and Mt. Doug PAC are hosting an information evening on **Student Mental Health and Wellness** at Mt. Douglas Secondary on **Wednesday, November 23 at 7 pm.** A panel will be addressing how to support children with mental health needs, and possible resources that can be accessed in our community. All Arbutus parents are invited to join us.





AGMS: Celebrating Diversity, Seeking Sustainability

Pack it In-Pack it Out

Thank you to all families who are shifting over to re-usable containers in packed lunches to support our new *pack it in - pack it out* policy at Arbutus. To cut down on waste, we are now asking students

to take home all garbage and wrappers from their lunches and snacks. Some students are also taking compost waste home as well, but we do still have compost, paper, mixed containers, and returnables recycling ability at the school. By using Tupperware or similar containers in lunches and recycling lunch waste at home, we can reduce the amount of waste that our school sends to the landfill each year and truly be a global school.

