

The AGMS Week at a Glance...



Dear Parents/Guardians:

School is now up and running and classes are settling in nicely this month. I want to thank all staff and students for a very successful *Avalanche Week*, which took place last week. Students were able to meet new friends and build school spirit as they waited to get into permanent classes. For the remainder of the year, two or three classes are put together on one of the following teams: *Blizzard, Frostbite, Glaciers, Ice, Hail, Storm, Snow or Arctic*. Due to the smaller class sizes now in BC, we have added two new divisions to our school and exploratory classes are now capped at 21 students. We look forward to the benefits of these improved learning conditions for our students.

Sign-ups took place this week for **Soccer, Cross Country, Athletic Leadership, and the Media Team** for students. We hope all students will find a team to join this year. Sports team letters will come home soon outlining coaching personnel, practice and game times.

- **Student Pack-Ups:** please try to return the completed school forms to our school office asap.
- **Picture Day** is Tuesday, September 19. Order portraits now at mylifetouch.ca, or up to 48 hrs after photos, using Picture Day ID QU477477Q0, or students can bring form and payment to photographer.



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 or phone and leave a message on our call back line at 250-360-0725.

For information on school sports game and meet dates visit:

<http://lowerislandschoolsports.ca/>

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Sept. 18th	Pro D Day - no school for students
Tuesday, Sept. 19th	Photo Day - individual photos (Class photos in Spring) 12:06 pm Tech Club - cafeteria 3 pm Girls 6/7 Soccer Practice - field 6 pm PAC Barbeque - front of school 7 pm - Meet the Teacher Night in classrooms
Wednesday, Sept. 20th	
Thursday, Sept. 21st	12:06 pm Tech Club - cafeteria
Friday, Sept. 22nd	Cookie Sales outside cafeteria—12 pm

SEPTEMBER 15, 2017

TEAM AVALANCHE

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BC's Modernized Curriculum

This will be the second formal year of implementing BC's revised curriculum, comprised of three core competencies:

- 1. COMMUNICATION SKILLS** – writing, listening, presenting and talking about their thinking, and integrating technology and media.
- 2. CREATIVE AND CRITICAL THINKING** – building, creating and finding novel and valuable ideas with flexible and agile thinking.
- 3. COLLABORATION SKILLS** – for strong personal and social development and the ability to work successfully on a team.

Again this year, you will see your child involved in various activities that will allow them to develop and build these competencies as they move through the various grade levels. It is an exciting time in education as staff work to personalize the learning for each student and to harness the passions and special interests each student will have.

Beach Day Sept. 8



Another Avalanche Challenge.....



Closing Ceremony and team cheers!



Students vs. Staff in a Rock, Paper, Scissors Contest.

