

The AGMS Week at a Glance...

Passions, Challenge, Connections and Supports



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Air Band Contest - Thank you to Mr. Flash for organizing this fun event at lunchtime on Thursday! Over 10 different groups performed to the delight of AGMS students. Thanks you to Arbutus Global staff who were judges at the event.

Wednesday, April 25 Parent-Student Reunification Earthquake Drill - We need your participation in practicing coming and picking up your child after an emergency, anytime between **1:30 pm and 2:30 pm** that day. If you are able to get away from work (or send an Authorized Guardian who is listed on your Emergency Student Release Form), it will help you become familiar with the new Double Gate system our District is implementing for parent pick-up after emergencies. Parents and any guardians need to remember to bring their identification. Please see attached letter.



Music update:

- ◆ Our school is participating in a district wide festival - "Music in the Air, Music Everywhere." Summit Strings and Vocal Jazz will perform in the opening ceremonies on May 6 at the Cameron Bandshell in Beacon Hill Park at 1:30 pm. Grade 8 Band will be marching in the Buccaneer Day Parade in Esquimalt on May 12. Junior and Intermediate Strings will be performing at the District Strings Finale at UVic McKinnon Gym on May 15. More information will come soon about arrival times, uniforms, etc.
- ◆ The Meridim Wind Orchestra (including Mrs. Hill) invite you to their concerts. The first concert is on April 21 at the Dave Dunnet theatre (free to those that participated in the Victoria Music Festival, and includes performances by Ian McDougall on trombone and Ryan Oliver on sax). There is a second concert with just the wind ensemble on April 22 at First Metropolitan United Church (7:30 pm, admission by donation).

Track & Field - This season starts up in May. The first Meet is Thursday, May 10th at UVic after school. Please encourage your child to sign up for this healthy sport. We want as many participants as possible this Track season! Go Avalanche!

Rob Parker, Principal

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Mon., Apr. 23	12:06 pm Dance Club in the gym 12:06 pm Long and Triple Jump Practice outside (Track and Field) 3 pm Gr. 7 Badminton Practice, Girls Field Hockey Practice at UVic, Boys Rugby Practice 3 pm Discus and Shot Put practice (Track and Field)
Tues. Apr. 24	7:30 am Running event practice (Track and Field) 3 pm Gr. 6 Badminton Practice
Wed, Apr. 25	12:06 pm High Jump Practice in the Gym (Track and Field) 1:30 pm Emergency Reunification Drill (Students, Staff and Parents/Guardians) 3:45 pm Boys Rugby Game @ Lansdowne Middle School
Thurs., Apr. 26	3:45 pm—Badminton Exhibition at Royal Oak 3:45 pm Girls Field Hockey Game @ UVic
Fri., Apr. 27	12:06 pm—Boys Rugby Practice 3:00 pm Running Even Practice (Track and Field) Movie Night 7—9 pm to raise funds for BC Children’s Hospital

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.

APRIL 20, 2018

TEAM AVALANCHE

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Arbutus Global:
Celebrating diversity;
Seeking sustainability

Dates to Remember:

- Tues. May 8 PAC Meeting at 7 pm in the Library
- Thurs. May 10 Track & Field Meet #1 at UVic
- May 14—16 Gr. 7 Camp Thunderbird Trip
- Mon. May 14 Track & Field Meet #2 at UVic

UPCOMING STUDENT EVENTS at AGMS

EARTH WEEK : Global Action students are promoting Earth Week next week (Apr. 23—27) with the following events:

- ⇒ Monday to Friday—Walk / Bike / Bus to schoolPrizes to be won!! Prize day will be on Friday, Apr. 27th
- ⇒ Tuesday—Litterless lunch
- ⇒ Wednesday—Save Power Day!
- ⇒ Thursday—Wildlife Awareness Day
- ⇒ Friday—Prizes handed out for Bike/Bus/Walk this week.

Fri. Apr 27: Movie Night Fundraiser for the BC Children’s Hospital by Global Action class . The movie “Wonder” will be played at 6 pm, doors open at 5:45 pm and a \$2 suggested donation per person is requested. Cash-only concession.



May 4: “May the 4th Day” by APEX and Student Leadership—Here’s your chance to wear your STAR WARS themed attire.

May 17: Rainbow Day—International Day Against Transphobia, Homophobia and Biphobia
By APEX and GSA (Gender & Sexuality Alliance) **Wear your rainbow colours!**



Book Smack Assembly

A group from the Greater Victoria Library were here to lead a literacy event called ‘Book Smack’ this week. Students were given a chance publically to do fun, 30 second book reviews with the help of library staff. Students were super engaged and it was great to see their enthusiasm. Thanks to Mrs. Popovic for organizing!

April 20 Pro D Day

Staff were grateful for time to continue to work on the BC redesigned curriculum today. One important part of the change in our district is improving the quality of inclusive education. Teachers and EAs worked on differentiating content in various subjects today so that diverse learners with a wide variety of needs could access the curriculum. This was a powerful day for our staff and we are proud of the progress being made in this area.

