

# The AGMS Week at a Glance...



Dear Parents/Guardians:



**Monday, Sept. 17th** is a **Pro D Day**. *There is no school for students on Monday.*

**PAC BBQ & Meet the Teacher Night (Tues. Sept. 18th):** Please join us at 6 pm for the PAC Barbeque, and then at 7 pm in the Gym to start the Meet the Teacher evening.

**Student Pack-Ups:** Office staff are busily processing forms returned to our school. If your child brings back forms that are unsigned or are incomplete, please sign and complete the forms and return to our school office asap.

**Field Update** - Our Facilities Department has worked hard to repair and resurface our main soccer field this summer. The turf was aerated, power seeded, sanded and top-dressed earlier this summer which will result in a revitalized grass soccer pitch. The fence should be removed by mid-October and we looking forward to using the improved play area!

**Grade 6 Immunizations:** Some grade 6 students received envelopes from VIHA today. Please check with your child to see if they brought home an envelope. If your child didn't receive an envelope it's likely because VIHA already has the information they require and a personalized immunization form will follow. The first Immunization Clinic will be held Friday, October 26th.

**Picture Day** is **Wednesday, September 19**. Order portraits now at [mylifetouch.ca](http://mylifetouch.ca), or up to 48 hrs after photo day, using Picture Day ID **QU478477Q0**, or students can bring form and payment to photographer.

**School Sports** - Boys Soccer and Fall Cross Country have begun! Soccer game days are Thursdays, and Cross Country practices are Monday mornings and Wednesdays at lunch (see forms sent home). Thank you to parents Mr. Ahmad and Mr. Ross for coaching the Boys 6/7 Soccer team, and to our staff members Mrs. Beatty and Mrs. Petrini for coaching Cross Country!

**Parking Lot Safety** - Please be patient, and drive slowly in the parking lot and school zone in front of the school. **Please have your child get out or in the car at the drop-off/pick up area only** by the gym wall (drop-off zone), to avoid students walking through the parking lot, which can be a dangerous area.

Also, if dropping off your child on the other side of Edgelow St. in the morning, **please make sure they use the crosswalk** to cross the street and **do not jay walk** out between cars in this busy area. Your help in this will really help with student safety.

Have a great weekend!

Yours truly,

Rob Parker, Principal

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Sept. 17th	<b>PRO D Day—no school for students</b>
Tuesday, Sept. 18th	<b>6 pm—PAC Welcome Back BBQ for all families</b> <b>7—8 pm—Meet the Teacher</b>
Wednesday, Sept. 19th	<b>Student Photo Day</b>
Thursday, Sept. 20th	
Friday, Sept. 21st	Cookie Sales outside cafeteria—12 pm

**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**.

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TEAM AVALANCHE



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**Thank you PAC!** - Last year our PAC funded numerous classroom programs such as Mindfulness training, sexual health education, and Discovery streaming for student research. They also provided new pop up tents for our Earthquake Preparedness Program, new bike racks, and funded new ceiling-mount LCD projectors in our Drama Room and the Gym. We are enormously grateful for their sup-

<p><b>Teaching Staff</b> *new to school in bold</p> <p>Div 1 Lynda Psaila—Gr 6 English (back Oct. 1)</p> <p>Div 2 Jessica Sargent—Gr 6 English</p> <p>Div 3 Frank Scigliano—Gr 6 English</p> <p>Div 4 Gord Clemens—Gr 7 English</p> <p>Div 5 Casey Mawson—Gr 7 English</p> <p>Div 6 <b>Judith Weist</b>—Gr 7/8 English</p> <p>Div 7 Rachelle Beatty—Gr 8 English</p> <p>Div 8 Nicholas Stephen—Gr 8 English</p> <p>Div 9 Julia French—Gr 8 English</p> <p>Div 10 Clayton Howe—Gr 8 English</p> <p>Div 11 Edith Engelbrecht—Gr 6 Early French Immersion</p> <p>Div 12 Stéphane Tran—Gr 6 Early French Immersion</p> <p>Div 13 Aliza Hunter—Gr 6 Late French Immersion</p> <p>Div 14 <b>Megan Peddie</b>—Gr 7 Late French Immersion</p> <p>Div. 16 <b>Amanda Putman</b> – Gr 7/8 Early French Immersion</p> <p>Div. 17 Erin Fairweather – Gr 8 Early French Immersion</p> <p>Div. 18 <b>TOC Marcus Zumstein</b> for Tamara O’Reilly (on mat leave until January)</p> <p>Gillian Petrini - .5 Global Action Exploratory</p> <p><b>Jessica Doyle</b> – Technology Education</p> <p>Michael Mazza – Band/Strings/Music Exploratory</p> <p>Jennifer Hill – Band/Strings/Music/Drama Exploratory</p> <p>Jennifer Maestrello – Art Exploratory</p> <p>Jennifer Mooney – Foods Exploratory</p> <p>Kelly Montgomery – Band</p> <p><b>Administrative Support Staff</b></p> <p>Annalise Parker - School Administrative Assistant</p> <p>Hollie Davis – Accounts Clerk / Secretarial Clerk</p> <p>Stacey Haase - Library Clerk / School Assistant</p> <p><b>Custodial Staff</b></p> <p>Rhonda Hoban – Daytime 5:45 am – 2:30 pm</p> <p>Dax Grindler - Afternoons 3:30 pm - 11:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Additional Teaching and Support Staff</b></p> <p>Librarian/ELL Darinka Popovic</p> <p>ELL <b>Chris Clarke</b> (.331)</p> <p>Learning Support Dana Walt</p> <p>Resource Room 105B Alex Lemon</p> <p>Resource Room 106 Rosalyne Huyter</p> <p><b>Educational Assistants</b></p> <p>Debbie Agar Vanessa Currie</p> <p>Chantal Davenport Margaret Forbes</p> <p>Rachael Gubbels Romaine Hill</p> <p>Gail Jameson Maryanne McKinnon</p> <p>Laura Mead Graciela Schwarz</p> <p>Christine Soon-Locke</p> <p><b>Counselling and District Support Team</b></p> <p>Counsellor <b>Sonia Manak</b> (Tues, Wed, Thurs) (to Nov. 30 until <b>Kaylan Vander Schilden</b> begins)</p> <p>YFC Tammy Reid (Mon. and Fridays)</p> <p>Ed. Psychologist Cheryl Westergard</p> <p>SLP Bernice Higgins (every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs)</p> <p>Occupational Therapist Teresa Windberg-Phillips</p> <p>Physiotherapist Emma Taylor</p> <p><b>Student Supervisors</b></p> <p>Vanessa Currie Romaine Hill</p> <p>Stacey Haase Rachel Gubbels</p> <p>Margaret Forbes Laura Mead</p>
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