

# The AGMS Week at a Glance...



Dear Parents/Guardians:



**Music Update - January 23 concerts:** Intermediate Strings, Band 8 and Choir are performing at Frank Hobbs (9:30 am) and Campus View (11:00 am) on Wednesday January 23. We will be travelling via school buses. Performing students should arrive at school in their Arbutus Music uniform with a pocket snack. This day is an early dismissal so they will just need their uniform, instrument, music and snack for the day at school. Students will return to the school for dismissal at approximately noon (students will not be dismissed from Campus View). Summit Jazz Band will be performing at the open house for incoming students on January 23 at 6:50 pm. Students in Summit Jazz should arrive in uniform to the music room at 6:30 pm and will be finished performing at approximately 7:10 pm

**Grade 8 Ski Trip:** Thank you to Ms. French, Ms. Fairweather and Mr. Lemon for organizing the grade 8 Ski Trip next Friday!

**New Spin Bikes:** Thank you very much to our PAC for providing three new spin bikes for the school. More and more schools are using these type of bikes to help students self-regulate and increase physical activity. The bikes are located near classrooms for all students to access easily and are a great addition at Arbutus.

**Safety Reminder:** Please do not let your child get out of or get into your car on Edgelow St. unless safely parked, as this can create a very dangerous situation during congested drop-off and pick-up times.

Yours truly,

Rob Parker, Principal



	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Jan. 21	<b>Pro D Day at Arbutus Global Middle School - no school for students</b> 3:45 pm Gr 8 Boys Volleyball Games at Arbutus
Tuesday, Jan. 22	7:30 - 8:20 am Student Yoga Class in Cafeteria (drop ins welcome) 7:30 - 8:30 am Gr 6 Boys Volleyball Practice 3 pm Gr 6 Girls Volleyball Practice 3:45 pm Gr 7 Girls Volleyball Games at SMUS
Wednesday, Jan. 23	7:30 - 8:30 am Gr 8 Boys Volleyball Practice <b>1 - 5:30 pm Student Led Conferences (early dismissal at 11:51 am for students)</b> 7 pm Arbutus Open House (for incoming grade 5 families)
Thursday, Jan. 24	3:45 pm Gr 7 Boys Volleyball Games at Arbutus
Friday, Jan. 25	Gr 8 Ski Trip to Mount Washington 7:45 - 8:15 am Student Meditation Session in Cafeteria 12:06 pm Cookie Sales 12:06 pm Dance Club in the Gym with Mrs. Forbes

**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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**Arbutus Global:  
Celebrating diversity;  
Seeking sustainability**

### January Dates to Remember:

Mon. Jan. 21	Pro D Day at Arbutus Global - Arbutus selected, not District Day
Wed. Jan. 23	Music Program tour Campus View and Frank Hobbs, Student-Led Conferences - 11:51 Dismissal,
	<b>AGMS Open House for Grade 5 Families 7 pm</b>
Fri. Jan. 25	Gr. 8 Ski Trip to Mount Washington— <i>CONFIRMED</i>
Mon. Jan. 28	Grade 6 Late French Immersion Registration begins (for 2019)
Feb. 19—Feb. 25	District K-12 Transfer Process - see link below
Jan. 28 - Feb. 1	Late French Immersion Registration Week

## Feb. 4, 2018 Gr. 8 CANNABIS EDUCATION SESSIONS

The Government of Canada’s cannabis education school tour is an interactive student-based event taking place next month at AGMS for all Grade 8 students.

It has been identified that regular cannabis use, *especially in youth and young adults*, can impact their brain functioning, which could make it harder for them to achieve their goals. By encouraging participation in engaging experiences that tap into sport, art, and the virtual world we hope to spark a future passion and educate about the facts of cannabis use.

The interactive experiences will encourage students to understand the value of; **thinking, planning, movement, coordination, decision making, and emotions** and how these could be affected through the use of cannabis.

For more information on the tour and it’s innovative and engaging approach to cannabis awareness go to: <https://pursueyourpassion.ca/>

### Around AGMS....



Mrs. Petrini’s **Global Action** classes have been busy pulling holly and other invasive species in Haro Woods this winter - well done Arbutus!

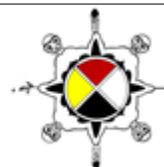
Grade 6 students in **Technology Education** (right) learning to use hand tools this week.



Mr. Mazza working with **Summit Jazz Band** (left) at an early morning practice on Friday.

### District Aboriginal News

The district’s Winter 2018 Newsletter can be accessed at the following link <https://aned.sd61.bc.ca/> Click on the ANED Notices box.



### Important SD61 Dates - Registration & Transfers:

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/parent-student-resources/registration/registration-transfer-dates/>