

The AGMS Week at a Glance...



Dear Parents/Guardians:

UVic Engineering Club: Engineering students from UVic came on Tuesday to share information with our Grade 7s on science, technology, engineering and mathematics (also known as STEM) opportunities available to our students in the future. They shared various inspiring projects they are working on. Thanks to our District Pathways and Partnerships Coordinator, Bonnie Alexander, for arranging these presentations!

PAC Parent Education Evening: Please think about joining us Tuesday night for an important presentation on “6 Must Have Conversations With Your (Pre) Teen”. See registration details on page 2. It is so important for parents to be aware and knowledgeable about these topics when raising children in today’s technology rich society.



March 5 PAC Meeting: Just a reminder that our PAC Meeting from February, cancelled due to snow, is re-scheduled for Tuesday March 5 at 7 pm in our Library. Please come hear the results from the *Active and Safe Routes to School* study, and meet Board of Education Trustee Diane McNally.

Have a great weekend!

Rob Parker, Principal

| | YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE |
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| Monday, Feb. 25 | 12:06 pm Drama Club 3:45 pm Gr 8 Boys Volleyball Game at Monterey 3:45 pm Gr 8 Girls Volleyball Game at Arbutus |
| Tuesday, Feb. 26 | <i>CANCELLED</i> - Student Yoga Class 7:30 - 8:30 am Gr 6 Boys Volleyball Practice 3:45 pm Gr 7 Girls Volleyball Games at Central 3:45 pm Gr 6 Girls Volleyball Games at Shoreline 6:30 - 8:30 pm Parent Presentation “6 Must Have Conversations with your Teen” in Gym (<i>see next page for registration details</i>) |
| Wednesday, Feb. 27 | 7:30 - 8:30 am Gr 7 & 8 Boys Volleyball Practice 3:45 pm Gr 8 Girls Recreational Volleyball Game at North Saanich 3:45 pm Gr 8 Girls Competitive Volleyball Game at PCS |
| Thursday, Feb. 28 | 12:06 pm Gr 6 Boys Volleyball Practice 3:00 pm Gr 8 Boys Volleyball Practice 3:45 pm Gr 6 Boys Volleyball Game at PCS |
| Friday, Feb. 29 | 7:45 - 8:15 am Student Meditation Session in Cafeteria 3:00 pm Gr 8 Girls Volleyball Practice |

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.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2019

TEAM AVALANCHE

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February 27: Grade 8 Band will be performing at Bandfest in the morning. **Students must meet at 7:45 am at the UVic Centre lobby** in full uniform (Arbutus Music t-shirt, black shoes, black socks, black pants) with their instrument and music. Parent volunteers are needed for walking back to the school. Please email arbutusmusic@me.com if you can help.

ARBUTUS MUSIC

March 1: Grade 7 Band will be performing at Bandfest in the morning. **Students must meet at 7:20 am at the UVic Centre lobby** in full uniform (Arbutus Music t-shirt, black shoes, black socks, black pants) with their instrument and music. Parent volunteers are needed for walking back to the school. Please email arbutusmusic@me.com if you can help.

March 5: The choir will be rehearsing for Victoria Sings in the morning. We will meet in the music room during advisory and then walk to UVic as a class. Parent volunteers are needed for walking too and from this event. Please email arbutusmusic@me.com if you can help. **March 5:** The choir will be performing at Victoria Sings at UVic Farquhar Auditorium at 7:30 pm. Tickets available through UVic Ticket Centre (open Mon-Fri 9:30am-4:00pm) starting Mon. Feb 11th: · Online: tickets.uvic.ca · By Phone: 250-721-8480 · In Person: Lobby of University Centre, B Wing at UVic · All tickets \$10.00

Monday March 11, 7:00 pm: Optional parent information session about the Grade 8 Music Trip to Vancouver for parents of Grade 8 students that participate in band, choir or strings. Students are invited to join us on an optional overnight trip to Vancouver June 18-19, 2019. Parents that attend this meeting will learn about the trip and will have the opportunity to ask questions. Attendance at this meeting is not mandatory for students to attend the trip.

From our Teacher Librarian:

Do you have a unique hobby or an interesting job? Are you an entrepreneur, an artist, or do you have a fascinating life story that you would like to share? Arbutus is planning a Human Library Event! We are looking for Human "Books" who would willing to have a conversation with our students. We are looking to provide a safe environment for the sharing of diverse life experiences, stories and perspectives in order for our students and community to grow and develop an awareness of one another.

We are asking for a couple of hours of your time. Our Human Library Event will take place on Wednesday April 10 at Arbutus Global Middle School. If you are interested in supporting this activity by being one of our Human Books please complete the form. We will get back in touch with you to confirm details.

If you would like more information please contact Darinka Popovic, Teacher Librarian at Arbutus. (dpopovic@sd61.bc.ca or call the school at 250 477-1878) If you are interested please complete the form by Monday, March 5, 2019 using the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTtWGagE3mhoHYsGpwuFcmAm_i_4OueWv4TU9cSqb6tH689w/viewform?usp=sf_link

Rugby starts soon! Please tell your child to see Mr. Parker if they are interested in playing rugby, if they did not attend the rugby meeting on Friday. Also, we are still looking for a rugby coach for the Grade 7/8 team. Please call the school if you are interested.



Reminder from the PAC:

This is the last chance to register for "**6 Must Have Conversations With Your (Pre) Teen**", presented by Certified Sexual Health Educator Kerri Isham. Topics include: consent, sexual harassment, sexting, pornography, gender violence, and sexual fluidity. **This is an ADULTS ONLY event, as sexually explicit material will be discussed.** The event will be held on Tuesday February 26th in the gym from 6:30pm to 8:30pm in the school's gym. The cost is covered by the PAC. There will be refreshments available, by donation, with proceeds going to Victoria Sexual Assault Centre. Please register here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/parent-education-night-6-must-have-conversations-with-your-pre-teen-registration-52614438201>

If you have any questions please contact the PAC at agms.pac@gmail.com.