

The AGMS Week at a Glance...



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Traffic Safety Improvements: I want to say a big thank you to the District of Saanich, the CRD and Kate Berniaz, and all parents involved with the Active and Safe Routes to School Program this year. It has been impressive to see the recommended improvements (*see attached Action Plan sent out in March*) appear so quickly. Just one example is the brush removal near the back walkway to Lexington and the new 20 km/hr speed limit signs posted on that street. This significantly improves the visibility and safety in this well-used drop-off/pick-up area and popular student cycling/walking route. Many other improvements, including a crosswalk at Dawnview, are coming this year.

Green Shirt Day: On Monday, April 8th we have an important day coming up. Students are invited to come to school wearing a green shirt *or* a jersey for Green Shirt Day. Let's all join in to show our support to all of those people who were affected by the Humboldt Broncos bus accident a year ago, and to raise the awareness about the importance of organ donation. Don't forget, it's a green shirt *or any* team jersey!



Track & Field: Mr. Howe is in the midst of organizing our Track & Field season, which is starting soon. Students are encouraged to sign up online: <https://forms.gle/VU8bXV2FzkxkBaY49>



Rugby Clinic at UVic: Many thanks to Coach Doug Tate and the UVic Vikes for hosting a rugby clinic at UVic on Thursday. Students had the chance to practice various skills and learn some important rugby laws under the tutelage of some of the best players in Canada! Thanks Coach Tate and UVic!

Inquiry Project 2019: We will again be undertaking a school-wide inquiry based learning project this year. The project focuses on students developing an essential research question in an area they are passionate about. Two blocks every Wednesday morning will be dedicated for the project and we hope to have students publically display an artifact that demonstrates their learning in June.

Rob Parker, Principal

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Apr. 8	Green Shirt Day 12:06 pm Drama Club 3 pm Grade 6 & 8 Boys Rugby Practice
Tuesday, Apr. 9	7:30 - 8:20 am Student Yoga Class in Cafeteria (drop ins welcome) 12:06 pm Grade 6 Badminton Practice 3:45 pm Badminton Jamboree at Arbutus 3:45 pm Grade 6 Boys Rugby Game at Arbutus 7:00 pm PAC (Parent Advisory Council) Meeting in the Library
Wednesday, Apr. 10	12 :06 pm Grade 8 Badminton Practice 3 pm Grade 8 Boys Rugby Practice 3:45 pm Badminton Jamboree at Spencer Middle School
Thursday, Apr. 11	12:06 pm Grade 7 Badminton Practice 3:00 pm Girls Field Hockey Games at UVic (games start at 3:30 pm) 3:45 pm Grade 8 Boys Rugby Game at Dunsmuir Middle School
Friday, Apr. 12	Pro D Day - Curriculum Implementation Day (<i>no school for students</i>)

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.

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Arbutus Global:
Celebrating diversity;

Dates to Remember:

- Fri. Apr. 19 Good Friday - school is closed
Mon. Apr. 22 Easter Monday - school is closed
Wed. Apr. 24 Arbutus Global Night of Music at UVic at 7 pm



**ARBUTUS
MUSIC**

On **Wednesday, April 24th**, all Arbutus music students will be performing in the annual "Arbutus Night of Music" at the University of Victoria Centre Auditorium. The concert will begin at 7:00pm. Students are to arrive in full uniform (music t-shirt, black socks, black shoes, black pants). Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased from the UVic Ticket Centre. www.tickets.uvic.ca

Parents are responsible for transporting students to and from this event. Students performing in the concert should enter at the side door up the ramp to the right of the main entrance.

Parent drivers are needed to transport equipment to UVic at 12:45 p.m. on April 24th.

Please contact Mr. Mazza and Mrs. Hill at arbutusmusic@me.com if you can help.

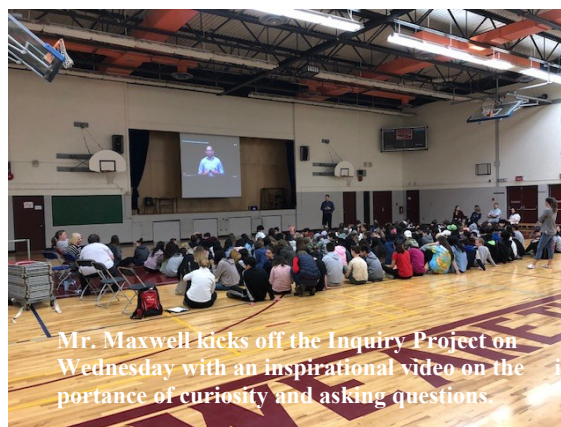
After the concert we would greatly appreciate your help driving large instruments and music stands back to Arbutus. If you can help, please bring your vehicle to the backstage door behind the auditorium after the concert.

Student arrival times:

- 6:00 Choir (stage)
6:15 Strings and Summit Jazz (stage)
6:30 Band 7 (warm up room) and Avalanche Jazz
6:45 Band 6 (warm up room) and Band 8 (Green room)



French Immersion took part in the *Concours d'art oratoire* (left) at AGMS on Friday. This public speaking contest is a challenging but very valuable experience for our students. Thank you French Immersion teachers!



Mr. Maxwell kicks off the Inquiry Project on Wednesday with an inspirational video on the portance of curiosity and asking questions.

We are hiring!



The Greater Victoria School District is looking for passionate and qualified individuals to join our team in the following key roles:

- Educational Assistant Spareboard
- Clerical Spareboard
- StrongStart Program - Early Childhood Educators

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about what positions we offer, please visit our website here: <https://www.sd61.bc.ca/our-district/employment/>

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The Royal BC Museum's feature exhibition *Maya: The Great Jaguar Rises* opens May 17. They are extending an offer out to all students.

FREE* BC student youth admission with paid adult

Discover a powerful civilization that rose from the tropical rainforests of Central America thousands of years ago. Explore Maya identity from ancient times to the present day. See massive stone monuments and intricate jade jewellery, learn about the supernatural world of the gods and spaces that characterized Maya life.

Exhibition open May 17 – December 31, 2019
Royal BC Museum

**see attached coupon for details*

School Yearbooks

It's that time of year again!

If your student would like to have a yearbook for the 2018-19 school year (and you haven't ordered it already), now is the time to order! They are \$20 and can be paid for using **School Cash Online**. School Cash Online is now processing bank account payments as well as credit card options.

If you don't see the option to purchase a yearbook on your student's account you may have already ordered one. Just give a quick call to the office to confirm.

Please contact Hollie Davis in the office, if you have any questions.



April 4 Rugby Clinic in action!



*Transforming lives through
healthy activity and sport.*

We are pleased to share that PISE has a new scholarship opportunity available for youth developmental athletes. **The Island Savings Scholarships (2 X \$1000) are available to high performance youth athletes and will go towards strength and conditioning training services at PISE.**

Please share this opportunity with any youth who may be interested. We greatly appreciate your assistance in spreading this news. **The deadline to apply is April 30, 2019**

Here is the link to apply:

<http://www.pise.ca/scholarship-opportunities/>

A very special thank you to Island Savings for this wonderful opportunity for youth athletes!