



ÉCOLE ARBUTUS GLOBAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

AVALANCHE WEEK September 3-6, 2019

As part of the transition back to school we have planned a variety of engaging events and activities for the first week back that all relate to our nickname **The Arbutus Avalanche**. This is designed to be a fun way for students to begin school and meet new friends, while they wait for the final organization of class lists for the year. (Hopefully students will be in their new classes by Friday, Sept. 6th or Monday, Sept. 9th.)

We are the Avalanche! – passions, challenge, connections and support

Classroom Assignments:	<p>On the first day of school, your child's <u>temporary classroom placement for the first few days will be posted outside the entrance</u> of the school on portable boards. Grade six students, and all new students, will gather in the gym. Returning grade seven and eight students will move directly to their temporary rooms. Mixed groups of English and French students will spend the first few days of the year together in temporary groups during Avalanche Week. Classes should be finalized the end of the first week.</p>
School Supplies:	<p>Supply lists are available on the school website. The direct link is: Supplies - Arbutus Global Middle School</p>
Tuesday, September 3rd	<p>9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.: Students gather outside the main entrance and will enter the building when the bell rings at 9:30 a.m. Students should bring a pen, some paper, and a small snack. We know students will be excited to get back to school, but we ask that they not arrive too early or enter the building before the bell goes.</p> <p><u>Grade 6 students and all new students:</u> At 9:30 a.m., report to the gym. <u>Grade 7's:</u> At 9:30 a.m., go directly to your temporary grade 7 class. <u>Grade 8's:</u> At 9:30 a.m., go directly to your temporary grade 8 class. <u>International students</u> and your home stay parent please report to the office at 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Welcome Café: New parents to Arbutus Global are invited to join the PAC in the Cafeteria for coffee at 9:30 a.m. on September 3rd.</p> <p>Students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. They will leave from the gym.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Students will not return to school that afternoon.</p>
Wednesday, September 4th	<p>8:30 a.m. Warning bell rings. Students may enter the building. 8:35 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Regular daily schedule – full day.</p> <p>Students should bring their school supplies, snack and lunch today. Students are encouraged to bring healthy foods to school. New students pay a one-time deposit for text books and a one-time fee for locks; a form will be included in the student pack-up that goes home in early September. Please, no private locks.</p>
Thursday, September 5th & Friday, September 6th	<p>8:30 a.m. Warning bell rings. Students may enter the building. 8:35 a.m. Students should be in class with their supplies, ready to learn. 8:35 a.m. – 2:45 p.m. Regular hours now in place for the year (see on next page).</p> <p>NOTE: We will make every effort to have our students placed in their permanent classes by Friday morning.</p>

