

# The AGMS Week at a Glance...



Dear Arbutus Families,

**January 27 Informal Reporting Time:** Please see the attached letter on this process, which is happening next Wednesday afternoon. It will be a good opportunity for parents to see the goals that each student has set for Term 2 regarding the BC Core Competencies. Interested parents can also have a Zoom or phone call with their child’s advisory teacher that day, or in the coming weeks.

**Math Challengers:** We are again fortunate to have high school students from Mt. Doug leading a Math Challengers group on Friday afternoons this year (right). Students have to be seated in cohort groups with masks on, but are still finding a way to practice some tricky math questions for the upcoming challenge. Thanks to Mrs. Walt from Arbutus and Mr. Johnson from Mt. Doug for arranging this!



**Daily Health Checklist Update:** Provincial Health and SD61 have **updated the daily checklist** based on the latest health information regarding the Covid 19 virus. Please see the link below to the new guidelines:

[https://www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2021/01/GVSD61\\_DailyHealthChecklist\\_20210115\\_parents.pdf](https://www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2021/01/GVSD61_DailyHealthChecklist_20210115_parents.pdf)



**After School Volleyball:** Thank you to all parent and staff coaches working to keep volleyball skills going this year. Students play with masks on, with lots of hand sanitizing, but get to enjoy a great work out and a fun sport with others.



**Gymnastics:** Teachers have been busy teaching a gymnastics unit to all classes this month. Despite the extra cleaning involved this year students are enjoying learning basic movement skills, and even developing dance routines to share their knowledge. Happy weekend!

Rob Parker, Principal

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Jan. 25th	School Based Pro-D—Arbutus students not in session
Tuesday, Jan. 26th	3 pm Volleyball for <u>Girls</u> of Divs 4, 5, 12, 13, 14, and 15.
Wednesday, Jan. 27th	Informal Reporting— <i>students will be dismissed early—11:51am</i>
Thursday, Jan. 28th	3 pm <u>Girls</u> of Divs 2, 3, 8, 9, and 16, 17.
Friday, Jan. 29th	Math Challengers

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TEAM AVALANCHE

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## UPCOMING DISTRICT REGISTRATIONS, TRANSITIONS AND TRANSFERS

***This year our registration process will be online.*** Important dates are as follows:

~ **Late French Registration** for incoming grade 6's—registration is January 25-29. Registration forms will be available on our District website starting Monday morning, January 25th. Registration is a lottery system. Deadline is Jan. 29 at 3:30pm. Forms will not be accepted before Jan. 25.

Please see the District webpage for all information regarding Late French Registration.

<https://www.sd61.bc.ca/registration/late-french-immersion/>

Parents will be notified the following week regarding placement.

~ **Transfer week— Feb 8-11**—primarily grade 8's wishing to go to a different high school than their catchment. Also for students who want to change programs—moving from French to English. Also for students in any grade who are wanting to change schools the coming year.

Forms will be available on our District and school websites and in the office for students to pick up closer to transfer week. Forms will not be accepted before Feb. 8.

Parents will be notified by March 12 for placement the following year.

### Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Feb 8-11	Transfer Applications Week for 2021-22 school year
Feb 12	Pro-D—Tri District—Students not in session
Feb 15	Family Day Stat Holiday—school not in session
Feb 16	PAC Zoom meeting—7pm
Feb 19	Curriculum Completion Day—Early Dismissal
Feb 24	<b>Pink Shirt Day</b>

**Attendance** - Please remember to inform our Attendance line 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.

### Masks and Water Bottles

Please help us by sending a water bottle with your student each day and have a couple extra masks tucked in their backpacks. This will help reduce the amounts we are giving out each day.



### When a student is late:

Please have them come to our side service door (#4) and **ring the doorbell**; someone will come let them in.



PRO-D DAY

MONDAY!

# Arbutus Spirit Wear

We have been working with a new company for our Spirit Wear and anticipate it will be ready to be ordered next week! Watch for an email with all the details. Due to Covid, we are not able to have items available to try on. Please make selections based on the sizing chart that will be available online.

### Covid Protocol if Your Child is Unwell

Please use the new and recently revised **Daily Health Check** form each morning ( [https://www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2021/01/GVSD61\\_DailyHealthChecklist\\_20210115\\_parents.pdf](https://www.sd61.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/sites/91/2021/01/GVSD61_DailyHealthChecklist_20210115_parents.pdf)

to ensure your child is healthy and not exhibiting any respiratory symptoms. If any students or staff are sick **they must not come to school**. This will be essential in keeping our school community safe this winter. Parents must also check with a medical professional or call 811 to ensure their child does not have COVID 19 before they can return to school. Students must also be symptom free before returning to school.

