

The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



THIS WEEK’S REFLECTIONS

This week has been a wonderful week of connecting with staff and students. Ms Weckend and I had the chance to meet in person with many of our Team Avalanche teams (which are made up of 2-3 divisions) to discuss, model, and reinforce our shared values, the most important of which is RESPECT.

We showed this video to get students’ thinking going: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CvSuUyP0Qs8> (For the softies out there, I dare you not to cry! It gets me every time! J)

With each team, we asked, “What does Respect Look Like, Sound Like, and Feel Like to you?” Students actively engaged in this discussion with their peers, and in sharing out with us. We wrote each team’s ideas on poster paper, and we will display these in the center of the school once we have met with all of the teams (we have a couple left this coming week).

It was inspiring to hear students’ ideas, such as, “Respect looks like helping others”, and “Respect feels like belonging”, and “Respect sounds like kind words.”

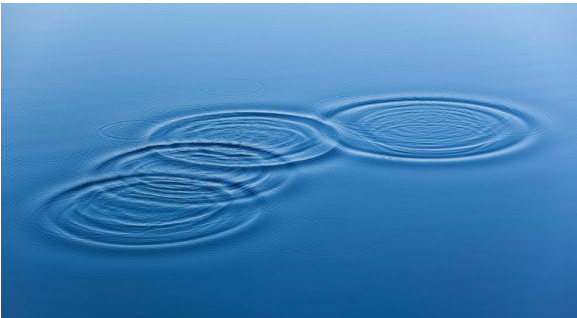
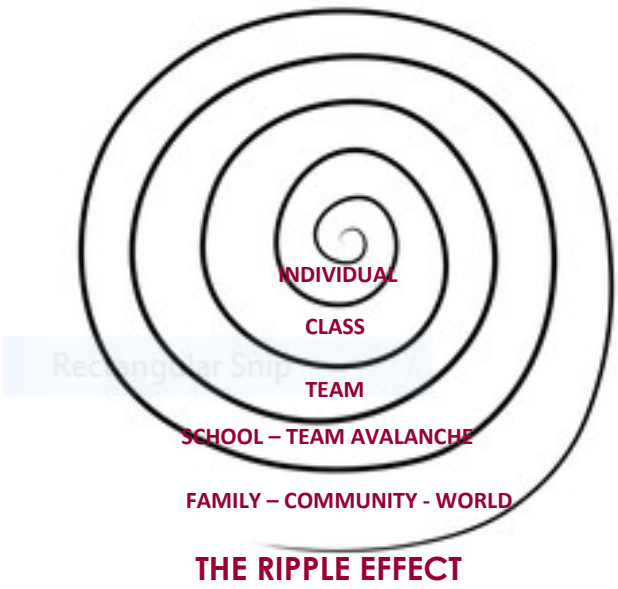
I could go on and on.

We also spoke about the Ripple Effect – the idea that when we as individuals do our best to be our best and make choices that are supportive of others, that positively impacts those around us – as well as ourselves. When we, for example, treat those around us with respect, that creates a positive ripple out to help our class, team, school, family, and larger community.

We feel very fortunate to have students who demonstrate so much reflection, thoughtfulness and respect, and thank you as their families for guiding them in these values.

Have a wonderful weekend.

- Carrie Schlapper - Principal



	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Nov. 22	
Tuesday, Nov. 23	
Wednesday, Nov. 24	Return your CC forms to teachers
Thursday, Nov. 25	
Friday, Nov. 26	CC Day—Students not required to stay will be dismissed at 11:35



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Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Dec 1	Poinsettia Concert 7pm
Dec 2	Poinsettia Concert 7pm
Dec 15	Report Cards go home
Dec 17	Last day of school before the Winter Break

Call out for Coaches!

Volleyball season is almost here! We are looking for volleyball coaches.

The season runs from January to end of February and games are either weekly or 3 play dates.

We had fantastic sessions in cohort last year and have some skilled kids ready to play!

Please contact Mme Peddie at mpeddie@sd61.bc.ca if you are interested or know someone who may be.



Basketball continues and we are looking to playoffs for our competitive teams.

These dates are as needed and were not on the forms.

Grade 8 boys:

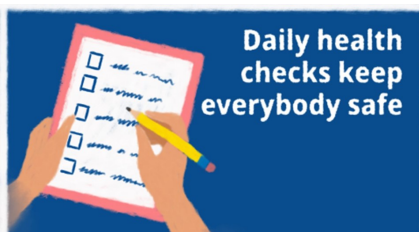
Quarter finals Nov 24
Semi-finals Nov 29
Finals Dec 1st

Grade 7 boys:

Semi-finals Nov 30
Finals Dec 2

Grade 6/7 girls:

Semi-finals Nov 30
Finals Dec 2



ALL STUDENTS must wear a mask at ALL TIMES at school. Your assistance in making sure your children **have at least TWO EXTRA MASKS in their backpacks** at all times would be much appreciated. We would like to suggest a **check at nighttime before going to bed.** *Thanks to those parents who have dropped off boxes of masks—we greatly appreciate this!*

Attendance - Please remember to inform the **attendance email or phone line** if your child will be late or absent. You can email to attendance62@sd61.bc.ca (please also cc the teacher) or phone and leave a message at **250-360-0725**.

Please do not call the office in the morning for attendance or leave a message there and do not email arbutus@sd61.bc.ca as these may not be monitored in the morning which will result in you getting an absence call out.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2021

TEAM AVALANCHE

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Arbutus Music Poinsettia Concerts

Concert Dates

December 1:

Avalanche Band, Intermediate Strings, Grade 7 Band, Choir

December 2:

Grade 6 Band, Grade 8 Band, Summit Jazz, Summit Strings, Junior Strings

Concert Arrival Times

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1:

- 6:00 p.m. **Avalanche Band** in the Music Room
Intermediate Strings in the Gym
- 6:30 p.m. **Choir** in the Drama Room
Grade 7 Band in the Music Room
- 7:00 p.m. Concert Begins

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2 :

- 6:00 p.m. **Summit Jazz Band** in Music Room
Junior Strings in the Gym
- 6:15 p.m. **Summit Strings** in the Gym.
- 6:30 p.m. **Grade 8 Band** in the Music room
Grade 6 Band in Drama Room
- 7:00 p.m. Concert Begins

LIMITED AUDIENCE

We are restricted to half-capacity for our gymnasium. **Each child may have one guest in the audience for their concert(s).** Please be respectful of this requirement. If you have questions or concerns please contact our Principal, Ms. Schlappner, at cschlappner@sd61.bc.ca

Poinsettia Sales

We are doing a small poinsettia fundraiser to help support our music students and hopefully a year end celebration for our Grade 8 music students. At this time we are first opening the sales to Grade 8 music families that will be able to pick up poinsettias at the end of the Thursday concert. A notice will be sent home with Grade 8 band students with more information.

UNIFORMS

The Arbutus Music uniform consists of black pants, black socks, black shoes, and the Arbutus Music t-shirt. T-shirts are \$15, and can be purchased from on School Cash Online. *(No child will be denied access to a resource because they cannot afford to pay. Please contact the principal or teacher if finances are an issue for you and a solution will be worked out. Privacy will be respected).*

