

# The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



## THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

Well, this is it. Last day of First Term. We made it!

Students and staff have been having a ball this week with our various activities and class parties. Ms Weckend and I served hot chocolate to staff and students this morning to kick off our last day. Many thanks to Mr. Mazza and Mrs. Hill for organizing caroling in the lobby every morning this week. Hearing our students sing put a spring in my step!

Congratulations to Division 8 for winning our Decorate your Door contest (see photo), and to Division 7 for winning our Fun Facts about Staff Kahoot on Wednesday. Another big congratulations to Divisions 11 and 16 for bringing in the most food for our Mustard Seed Food Drive. They enjoyed a pizza lunch today to thank them for their efforts.

I am personally looking forward to a couple of weeks of rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation in preparation for Term 2. I hope you and your families enjoy lots of good fun, good connections, and good laughs together. See you in January!

- Carrie Schlappner - Principal



|                   | YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE                     |  |
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| Monday, Jan. 3    | <i>Stat Holiday—school not in session</i> |  |
| Tuesday, Jan. 4   | <i>First day back to school—full day</i>  |  |
| Wednesday, Jan. 5 |   |  |
| Thursday, Jan. 6  |   |  |
| Friday, Jan. 7    |   |  |



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2021

TEAM AVALANCHE



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### Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- Tuesday, Jan 4** First day back after the Winter Break (Monday the 3rd is the stat holiday—we are back on the Tuesday)
- Tuesday, Jan 18** PAC Meeting 7pm
- Friday, Jan 21** Grade 8—Program of Choice Deadline
- Monday, Jan 24** Middle Schools Pro-D—students not in session
- Tuesday, Jan 25** Late French Registration week—Jan 25-28

2022  
happy New Year



### School Lunch

We are pleased to be offering a lunch program option starting in January! You can order online through our school cash-online program starting today. **Deadline to order will be Wednesday, Jan. 5.** The Lunch program will **start Tuesday, Jan. 11 and go until March 17.** We will do another order for the final term to start after Spring Break.

**Please note: late orders cannot be accepted.** Changes to the order cannot be made after the start date.

**Tuesday: Panago Pizza**

**Wednesday: Mucho Burrito**

**Thursday: Subway**

**ORDER DEADLINE:  
JANUARY 5**

### Arbutus Wear UPDATE

Due to road closures and shipping issues, our order is unfortunately late.

**Orders will be delivered first week back after the break.**

**We're sorry for the delay.**



### Grade 8 parents—it's time to start thinking about High School!

Several of our District schools offer specialty programs that have an application process including the Mt. Doug and Esquimalt Challenge Programs, Lambrick Park, Reynolds and Spectrum Sports Programs, and the Reynolds Flex Program. Please check the High School websites for further information and application deadlines.

**Hold on to report cards as you may need these for applications!**



Daily health checks keep everybody safe

**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](mailto: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](mailto:arbutus@sd61.bc.ca) as these may not be monitored in the morning which will result in you getting an absence call out.