

# The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



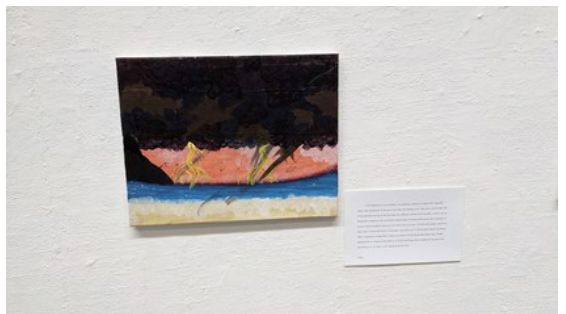
## THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

Ahhh, a long weekend. I must say I needed this one. My husband and I will be spending it at Point No Point in Sooke, where there is no wifi or cell service; it is a place for us to be one with the land and ocean, disconnect from the busy world for a while, and re-center. I hope all of you and your families can take time this weekend to be with each other in nature, relax, and re-charge as well.

This week was short, but it was full of sunshine, and, as you can see, Arbutus Global seems to be where the rainbow ends! (We, of course, knew that! ;))



One of the highlights from this week was an art exhibition for divisions 8 and 9 in the MacLauren Building at UVic. They completed projects reflecting on their experiences and feelings throughout the pandemic. (See photos). Several Arbutus Global divisions went to see the exhibit and we are so proud of our students for sharing their thoughts, feelings and perspectives in a creative and engaging way.



We are all navigating the complexities of this pandemic in a variety of ways, as best we can, and this art exhibition is another way to do that. If you and your family have time this weekend, pop by on Saturday to see it for yourself.



Have a wonderful long weekend with your families.

- Carrie Schlappner - Principal



YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE	
Monday, Feb. 21	Family Day—school not in session
Tuesday, Feb. 22	Hot Lunch Orders go live
Wednesday, Feb. 23	Pink Shirt Day
Thursday, Feb. 24	
Friday, Feb. 25	Curriculum Completion Day—Early Dismissal—11:35 (for students not required to stay)



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## Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Tues, Mar 8	International Women's Day
Friday, Mar 11	Grade 8 Ski Trip (IF WE GET ENOUGH REGISTRATIONS!!!) <b>Term 3 Hot Lunch order deadline</b> —late orders will not be accepted
Wednesday, Mar 16	Report Cards go home
Thursday, Mar 17	<b>Saint Patrick's Day</b>
Friday, Mar 18	Last day of school before <b>Spring Break</b>
Monday, Apr 4	First day of school after <b>Spring Break</b>
Tuesday, Apr 5	First day of Term 3 Hot Lunch Program



We have had a successful return to our Hot Lunch Program and are pleased to offer it again for Term 3!  
**Hot Lunch orders for Term 3 will go live through our school cash online starting February 22.** Order deadline will be Friday, March 11. Late orders will not be accepted.

We will be offering the same options: Tuesday—Pizza; Wednesday—Burrito; Thursday—Subway.

## We are very excited to be moving to a **NEW attendance call in system** starting Saturday, February 19!

With this new system, you will **call the school directly: 250-477-1878** and be given the **option to select #1 for attendance or #2 for the Office.**

Please continue to email your attendance to [attendance62@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:attendance62@sd61.bc.ca) and also cc the teacher.

Please **do not** email the general Arbutus email as that is not always monitored in the morning which will result in you getting an absence call-out.



Another successful week of competitive team game play has wrapped up! We are headed into a final practice week with our girls 6/7 rec team playing at North Saanich on Tuesday. With CCday on Friday, our girls 6/7 team and our girls grade 7 team will practice at 11:45 am.



Celebrate **FAMILY DAY**  
Monday, Feb. 21

### Copper Bracelet Making Workshop



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!*