

# The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



## THIS WEEK’S REFLECTIONS

It’s been another beautiful, busy, sunny week! Yahoo! I’m not sure about you, but the sunshine REALLY makes a difference to my energy and mood. The snow was a nice surprise as well! It made everything even brighter.

Wednesday was Pink Shirt Day, otherwise known as Anti-Bullying Day. Tons of staff and students wore pink to mark the day, and we had a school-wide zoom assembly to stop, reflect, and remind ourselves of the importance of everyone feeling respected, safe, and comfortable at school (and everywhere!). We also emphasized that being kind to others also helps US feel good – it’s a win-win! We are so fortunate to be at a school where the large majority of students demonstrate respect, kindness, compassion and caring towards each other every day. We appreciate your support at home in emphasizing the importance of these values as well.

Along the lines of respect and consideration, we, as always, appreciate the efforts made by parents and students to walk and bike to and from school, and to drop off and pick up at locations further away from the school. Just a reminder to please be mindful of not blocking our neighbour’s driveways when you do so.

Also, please remind your children to stay out of people’s yards. Standing by the road is of course OK, but it seems that some students are hanging out after school for long periods of time on people’s property, and are ignoring the owners’ polite requests to move on. Thank you for your help with this!

With it being CC Day today, you are most likely aware that report cards are coming soon, and so students need to hand in any missing assignments as soon as possible, so please support your children this weekend in completing their work, if needed. Please reach out to teachers if you need help figuring out what your child needs to do!

Whether there’s homework to do or not, I hope everyone can get out in the sunshine and enjoy the beginnings of spring. Have a wonderful weekend with your families.  
- Carrie Schlappner - Principal



	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Feb. 28	*** Outstanding Assignments MUST be in this week
Tuesday, Mar. 1	
Wednesday, Mar. 2	
Thursday, Mar. 3	
Friday, Mar. 4	

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022

TEAM AVALANCHE

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### Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Tues, Mar 8	International Women's Day
Friday, Mar 11	Grade 8 Ski Trip
	<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

# hotlunch orders

You can still purchase hot lunch orders for Term 3 through our school cash online. **Order deadline will be Friday, March 11.** Late orders will not be accepted.

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

### Big news!

We are allowed spectators at sports events! If games are held at Arbutus, please enter the front doors, sign in by the gym, then have a seat on the bleachers and get your cheer on! The grade 7 girls, grade 8 girls and grade 6/7 boys finish their season this coming week with regular practices as scheduled. **Go Avs!**



Looking forward, we are looking for coaches for any of the following sports: Badminton, Field Hockey, Rugby, or any/all Track and Field events. Please contact [mpeddie@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:mpeddie@sd61.bc.ca) if interested.

### Grade 8's—Course Selection forms for Grade 9

On Friday, March 4th, we will be having our grade 8's fill out course selection forms for their high schools for next year. Before hand, please feel free to check out the websites for the high school your student will be attending to view their courses and discuss what they can select—to help them be prepared for next week. If your student is going to a school outside of our District—please connect with your new school to complete this process.

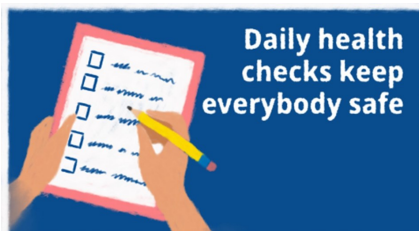
### Math Challengers at Mt. Doug today.



Our new phone system is up and running—with only some minor glitches that are now fixed. Thank you for your patience as we switched over to this new system. Please note—the old attendance phone number is now disabled.

To report your students absence, **call our main phone line (250-477-1878) and select option 1 for attendance.** If you get a call that your student is absent, please call the main phone line and select option 2 to talk to the Office. Please continue to email your attendance to [attendance62@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:attendance62@sd61.bc.ca) and also cc the teacher.

**ATTENDANCE**



**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!*