

The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



THIS WEEK’S REFLECTIONS

I CANNOT believe it is the first week of March. Spring Break in two weeks. Reports coming out soon. Term 2 almost done.

Today was a big day for our grade 8s: they completed their grade 9 Course Selection forms. Parents – a copy will be coming home for you to check. Be sure to have your child return their form on MONDAY. If your child was away today, please tell them to come see us in the office. If you’re able to complete the form at home by getting it on the high school’s web-site, that’s great! Just have your child bring the finished form to the office Monday.

There’s a lot going on in the world right now that is weighing heavily on all of us. If you or loved ones are impacted by things like the invasion of the Ukraine and feel you or your children need extra support from us right now, please do not hesitate to reach out. We will always do what we can to help. We are part of your community and safety net.

A friend sent this graphic to me this week, and it was a good reminder that we all need to honor and accept our emotions in order to work through them. We can tame what we can name. We are human and are imperfect and need to have compassion for others – and ourselves.

Enjoy this sunny weekend with your families. I know I will!

- Carrie Schlappner - Principal



	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, March 7	International Women's Day
Tuesday, March 8	
Wednesday, March 9	School-Wide Bingo Game!
Thursday, March 10	
Friday, March 11	Grade 8 Ski Trip Term 3 lunch order deadline

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2022

TEAM AVALANCHE

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Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Wednesday, Mar 16	Report Cards go home
Thursday, Mar 17	Saint Patrick's Day
Friday, Mar 18	Last day of school before Spring Break
Monday, Apr 4	First day of school after Spring Break
Tuesday, Apr 5	First day of Term 3 Hot Lunch Program
Saturday, Apr 2	Ramadan starts
Friday, Apr 15	Good Friday—school not in session
Monday, Apr 18	Easter Monday—school not in session

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.

Our volleyball season finishes this coming week with 3 teams playing.

We are moving on to badminton, tackle rugby and possibly a field hockey season. If you are able to coach one of these teams, please contact mpeddie@sd61.bc.ca

Thank you to our amazing volleyball coaches; we had 4 parents and 1 UVic student come coach this season, and we are so grateful for their energy and positive attitudes!

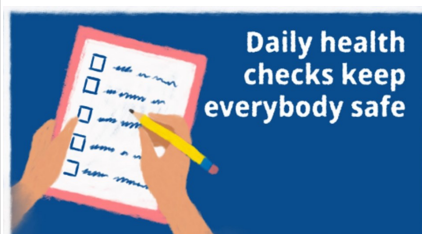


To report your students absence, **call our main phone line (250-477-1878) and select option 1 for attendance.**

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 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.

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!*