

The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



THIS WEEK’S REFLECTIONS

It was a short but sweet week at Arbutus Global. As such, I will keep my reflections brief, and the pictures plentiful.

The weather agreed with us for our Terry Fox Run on Wednesday morning, which saw everyone in the school walk or run to raise money for cancer research. We also held our lunch with students with Indigenous ancestry on Thursday, which will be held once a month. Then, today, staff started our learning journey around the shift to Proficiency Scales that will be happening next year.

What I really want to focus on, though, is how wonderful the Meet the Teacher Night was. It was heartwarming to see our families come together on the beautiful, sunny Wednesday evening. Many, many thanks to our PAC who organized and handed out pizza and drinks, as well as arranged for the extremely popular ice cream truck! I enjoyed chatting with many families and students, and didn’t want it to end. After moving inside, however, it almost got better! It was a joy seeing students, parents, and guardians freely moving around the school – the first time in three years for many families, I was told! There connections continued between staff, families and students through lively conversations and students gleefully showing their families around. The excitement and happiness were palpable.

I am grateful every day to be Principal of this remarkable school and supportive community. However, my heart was full to bursting on Wednesday, and still is. Thank you to everyone for bringing their positivity, openness and caring into the school that night – it was seen, felt and appreciated.

Have a wonderful weekend with your families. — Carrie Schlappner - Principal



	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, Sept. 26	
Tuesday, Sept. 27	First Pizza Hot Lunch Day
Wednesday, Sept. 28	First Burrito Hot Lunch Day
Thursday, Sept. 29	First Subway Hot Lunch Day Orange Shirt Day Observed
Friday, Sept. 30	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation —school not in session

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Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Wednesday, Oct 5	International Teacher's Day
Monday, Oct. 10	Thanksgiving—school not in session
Tuesday, Oct. 18	Parent Teacher Interviews—Dismissal at 1:45pm
Tuesday, Oct. 18	PAC Meeting
Wednesday, Oct 19	Grade 6 Immunizations in the morning
Wednesday, Oct 19	Parent Teacher Interviews—Dismissal at 1:45pm
Friday, Oct 21	Pro-D Day—school not in session

Hot Lunch Program



Our first terms hot lunch program starts this week. If you ordered a lunch for your student, they will receive it in their classroom just prior to lunch time.

Our final week of hot lunches for this term will be the week of December 6, 7, 8th.

If you missed ordering for this term, watch the newsletter in late November/early December to order for our second term.

A note from Home Ec



Our students would love to transform any old clothes, bolts of fabric, yarn, or other textile supplies that may be sitting unwanted in homes in our community, into fabulous new products! Please feel free to send supplies in with students or email Magen Winterburn, the Home Ec teacher, at mwin-terburn@sd61.bc.ca to arrange a time when she's in the building to take them in. Thank you!

Magen Winterburn

Dear Arbutus families,
We are looking for donations of plants
(both real and artificial).
If you have any to donate,
please bring into the office.

Many thanks,
Gillian Petrini (Teacher Librarian)
Stacey Haase (Library Clerk)



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