

The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

It's hard to believe that after today we only have a week of school before Winter Break!

Teachers have been busy writing report cards. Ms Weckend and I enjoy reading about how students are doing in their social, emotional and academic development, and seeing how they progress throughout the year. Congratulations to our students for all of their hard work and efforts this term!

There has been lots of fun to be had this week. Classes are getting their doors ready for our now-annual "Decorate your Door" contest, with winter themes abounding. Several classes went on the Salish Sea field trip and saw Humpback Whales, Seals, Sea Lions and even an Elephant Seal! Please enjoy these photos from the trip.

I'm looking forward to sharing photos of next week's activities! Until then...

Have a wonderful weekend with your families.

- Carrie Schlappner - Principal



YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE	
Monday, Dec. 12	
Tuesday, Dec. 13	
Wednesday, Dec. 14	Report Cards go home School Dance
Thursday, Dec. 15	
Friday, Dec. 16	Last day of school before the Winter Break



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Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Tuesday, Jan 3	School re-opens
Friday, Jan 6	Term 2 Hot Lunch order deadline (Late orders will not be accepted)
Sunday, Jan 8	Grade 8 Bottle Drive
Sunday, Jan 15	Black Shirt Day
Monday, Jan 16	Black Shirt Day observed
Monday, Jan 16	Term 2 Hot Lunches start

ARBUTUS ATHLETICS

Volleyball preparations continue next week. This is the schedule for the week. Attendance is expected so we know how many we have for a team.

Monday

Gr 7 girls at 8am
Gr 6 boys after school

Wednesday

Gr 8 boys at 7:30am
Gr 7 boys after school

Tuesday

Gr 7 Girls at 8am
Gr 8 girls after school

Thursday

Gr 6 girls after school

Our Athletics schedule is [available here](#):



Grade 8 Fundraiser BOTTLE DRIVE!



JANUARY 8TH, 2023

10AM - 2PM

ARBUTUS GLOBAL MIDDLE SCHOOL PARKING LOT
2306 Edgelow Street, Victoria BC

All funds raised will go towards our Grade 8 class trip!

Term 2 Hot Lunch orders can be placed starting Thursday, December 15 through our school cash online [here](#)

Grade 8 families.

It's time to start thinking about High School!

Many of the Secondary schools offer Programs of Choice: Flex studies; Soccer Academy, Rugby Academy, Hockey Academy, Baseball and Softball Academy and Challenge Program.

All of them will have an information session for parents/guardians and students early in January. Please read the attached pdf sent with the WAG for further details.



To report your students absence, [call our main phone line \(250-477-1878\)](tel: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.



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REMINDER: ANNUAL WINTER FOOD DRIVE AT ARBUTUS GLOBAL

Thursday, Dec. 8 – Wednesday, Dec. 14th



Thank you to those that have already brought in donations of items and/or cash. Please take a look at the most requested items listed below and know that you are welcome to bring in other non-perishable items as well. Additionally, cash donations are also accepted and appreciated.

The division that brings in the most items/cash will win itself a pizza party in the new year.

RECOMMENDED FOODS TO DONATE	
NON-PERISHABLES	BABY NEEDS
Peanut Butter	Formula (powder or liquid)
Canned Fruits and Vegetables	Baby Food (jars)
Canned or dried beans (chickpeas/kidney/etc)	Diapers/ Pull-ups
Canned Fish (always a need for this)	PERSONAL NEEDS
Dry Pasta and Rice	Soap (laundry/dish/hand)
Canned Soups	Toothpaste and brushes
Cooking Oil	Deodorant
Cereal (instant and cooking)	Feminine Supplies



Get your dancin' shoes ready for the....!

WINTER DANCE

When: Wednesday, Dec. 14

Time: 12:45pm to 2:30pm

Where: The Gym

Other options: Foosball, table tennis, karaoke or a movie

