

# The Arbutus Global Week at a Glance...



## THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS

It's been a lovely first week back (short and sweet!) after Spring Break. On Monday, I had a visit from our resident hummingbird (see photo). Hummingbirds are symbols of joy and good luck – a wonderfully good omen for our last three months of school!

On Wednesday, we held an assembly to celebrate Term 2 with a slideshow full of pictures of all of the wonderful events and activities students enjoyed. We also discussed how to “Finish the year strong”. Lastly, we launched a system to acknowledge and thank the positive efforts of students to be kind, respectful, and safe, called “You Done Good”. When staff notice students going over and beyond in positive ways, they will complete a short form that they will give to the student – so they know their efforts were recognized. They will then bring that to Ms Weckend and I so that we have a chance to congratulate them as well. We will do a weekly draw each Friday during announcements of one student for each grade, where they will be publicly recognized and win a small prize.

Please note that we emailed a reminder today about Student Led Conferences on Wednesday—here is the invitation again. Please note that we’re hosting a Russell Books Book Fair at that time, so bring your \$\$\$! We look forward to seeing all families that can make it!

Have a wonderful four-day long weekend with your families.

- Carrie Schlappner - Principal



*Hummingbird in our Indigenous Courtyard*



**Dear Arbutus Global Parents and Caregivers**

You are cordially invited to our **STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES OPEN HOUSE** on **Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>** from **4:30pm-6pm**

*Please come with your child(ren), who will walk you through some of their learning artifacts as well a tour of the school if you wish.*

We are looking forward to seeing parents and caregivers in the school!

	YOUR WEEK AT A GLANCE
Monday, April 10	Easter Monday—school not in session
Tuesday, April 11	<b>Book Fair</b>
Wednesday, April 12	<b>Student Led Conferences and Open House —4:30-6pm</b> <b>Book Fair</b>
Thursday, April 13	<b>Book Fair</b>
Friday, April 14	Division and Team Photos

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## Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Tuesday, April 18	PAC Meeting 7pm
Wednesday, April 19	Night of Music—UVic 7pm
Thursday, April 20	Ramadan Ends
Friday, April 21	Earth Day



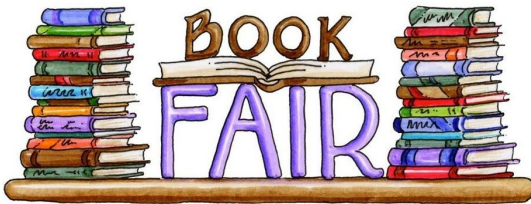
**Our Library will be hosting a Book Fair this coming week with local book store—Russell Books.**

**Tuesday**—classes will have the opportunity to come through and view the books.

**Wednesday**—will be the same. Books can be purchased after school and with families during Student Led times, until 6pm.

**Thursday**—books can be purchased after school until 3:30pm.

Payment with cash or card.



## Music—Band and Choir

### Arbutus Night of Music Wednesday, April 19

The time has arrived!

Please read the attached “Night of Music Info” for full details.

Tickets are on sale through UVic.

<https://www.uvic.ca/farquhar/ticket-centre/index.php>

Please let Ms. Schlappner know if your family needs financial support in obtaining tickets. We are happy to help.



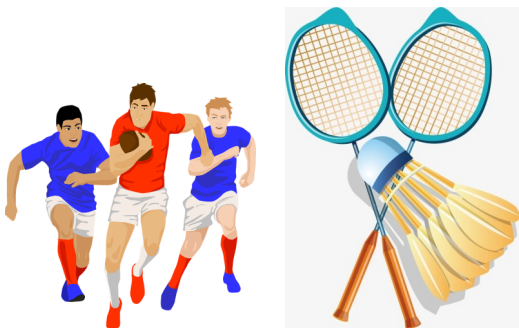
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## ARBUTUS ATHLETICS

All rugby and badminton teams practiced this week and received schedules for their league. Next week game play begins and practices continue. A note—we have split the badminton team into two for the play dates (by last name A-M and N-Z) to get more play time so please pay attention to the appropriate schedule. Also if your child has a badminton racquet at home, bringing it to play with would really help supplement our stock. We look forward to a great badminton and rugby season!

Athletic schedule for practices and games can be found [here](#)



## Parent Volunteer Opportunity

Wednesday, May 31, morning. Gr. 6 Immunization Clinic.

Parents are appreciated as volunteers to hand out juice and cookies to students as well as help nurses with set up and tidy up. We would benefit from 4 parent volunteers- thank you.

Please email Suzanne Weckend, Vice Principal at [sweckend@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:sweckend@sd61.bc.ca) if you are able to support with the Clinic.



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.

**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.

If your student needs to leave early for an appointment—please email [attendance62@sd61.bc.ca](mailto:attendance62@sd61.bc.ca) as well as letting the teacher know. If the Office hasn't been informed that your student has permission to leave, we will have them call you so we can get confirmation that they can sign out. **Informing the teacher does not always mean the Office gets the information!! Please email our attendance as well.**

